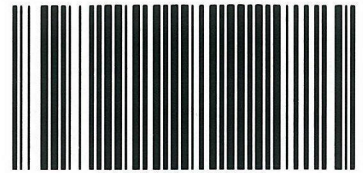


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Application NAME : Walla Walla Solar Farm,

Application Number : SSD-9874.

I definitely OBJECT to this proposal for the following reasons.

- * We are still waiting for mapping to be released and decide what our land catagorie is to be. During this time of State wide (NSW) draught, this area has consistently produced crops for grain bag, which has been sent to help farmers in the North & West, and livestock for meat, or wool. To remove this land from Agricultural Production would be a waste of a valuable resource.
- * Neighbouring farmers have diversifed and tried to drought proof their property by building Eco cabin for Tourism, and a great catering venue. This enterprise relies upon the ambience and natural beauty of the countryside. This would not be helped by a "heat island" effect or the glare from thousands of solar panels. Local people are employed, and local produce is used at this venue which puts hundreds of thousands of dollars into the local economy annually. How will our economy benefit from the solar project profits?
- * Environment destruction resulting in habitat loss is also of great concern. Old Growth trees (100" of yrs old) contain shelter & hollows for many birds & small mammals (ie sugar & squirrel gliders)
- * As our property could have frontage (or one

paddock away in places) I am concerned about the potential fire risk within the proposed site. Who will be prepared to fight a fire in this enclosed area?

* Heritage Aboriginal sites have been identified within the site. How will people have access to these if it becomes a Solar area?

* The presence of many unknown workers - people during construction, poses a risk to farmers who have valuable machinery & plant on their properties. Theft of fuel & goods is already an issue, & I feel with industrial development on a large scale, this problem would only escalate, with would-be thieves covered by anonymity.

I have not made donations to any Political Party in the previous two years.

Sincerely

Margaret Pampa