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## **Stratford Coal Extension Project.**

For a few million tons of coal exported by Stratford Coal/Yancoal Mine from Stratford NSW, I am at a loss to why all the people in the State government are unaware and unable to act to prevent -

Loss of our scenic capital in our beautiful Gloucester valley

Loss of our food production areas

Loss of business infrastructure

Loss of road access to parts of our valley

Loss of biodiversity

Loss of rivers, springs, ponds, water security

Loss of productive land forever

Loss of employees for local businesses

Loss of town culture and character

Loss of tourism

Loss of our forests, native flora

Loss of clean air to breathe

Loss of quiet, country life

Loss of land value

Loss of native animals

Loss of new residents migrating to our valley

Loss of certainty in our future

Loss of good community health

Loss of business diversity

Loss of farms, farming families

Loss of personal heritage

Loss of business for local suppliers of farming businesses

Loss of friends and family

Loss of community between neighbouring farms

I believe all our losses are greater than a few million tons of export coal.

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