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Culcairn Solar Farm SSD-10288

I have not made any reportable political donations in the previous two years.

OBJECTION TO PROPOSAL

I object to the Culcairn Solar Farm proposal on the following grounds:

I am strongly concerned as to the effect of this development on the surrounding environment. I am concerned that with 1.1 million panels on this site an increase of heat will affect neighbouring properties. The increase of heat will adversely affect crops that may already be struggling with drought, increase temperatures that will impact stock and affect the lifestyle of neighbours.

The size of this development is far too large. It almost runs from Walla Walla to Culcairn. It is taking up a massive amount of prime agricultural land that produces hay and fodder every year. This development causes a huge fire hazard to neighbours and the nearby towns of Culcairn and Walla Walla. Local members of the NSW Rural Fire Service will not enter the site to fight fires due to risk of entrapment, exposure and electrocution.

The effect of this development will lower the land values of this area. The land in this area is highly valuable and sought after land because it is continually productive land. By turning this highly valuable, highly productive land into an industrial site, we remove the ability to ever farm this land again. The land under the solar panels will never be able to sustain sheep or cattle as there is no pasture on those paddocks and they will never be able to sow pasture once the panels are installed. It is ridiculous that the developers expect anyone to believe that sheep will be grazed on this land. Sheep don't eat weeds.

I am not against solar power or renewable energy, but I believe that these sort of developments should be placed on land that is non-productive agricultural land that is not surrounded by neighbours. Put these developments on land where they don't adversely affect other people.



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