

 Stanhope Gardens NSW 2768

Please withhold my personal details

Culcairn Solar Farm SSD-10288

I have not made any reportable political donations in the last 2 years.

I object to the proposed Culcairn Solar Farm Development. My family owns an adjoining property. My young grandchildren have spoken to me about their fears of living next to an industrial site, particularly during construction.

This development is huge. It is planned to encompass 3500 acres. This development will be larger than the two closest towns, Culcairn and Walla Walla. It is ridiculous. The damage to the Greater Hume Shire Council can not be understated. I have been a constant visitor to the Greater Hume Shire for many years. I love coming to visit the area and admire the beautiful countryside. I have travelled all over Australia and overseas. I can honestly say that in terms of agricultural land, the Culcairn area is one of the most productive areas I have seen.

Greater Hume Shire is an area where the backbone of the community is farming. Placing a massive solar industrial site in the middle of the shire will have a huge impact on agricultural jobs in the area. This development not only impacts local farmers from farming this area, it also affects local mechanics (less machinery to work on), seed cleaners, agricultural businesses providing chemical and equipment, fuel suppliers, machinery suppliers, fencers, agricultural contractors and truck drivers. Removing this land from producing grain, fodder or being used for grazing affects everyone. Australia needs to protect highly productive agricultural land. So much of Australia is non-productive land. That is the land that these kinds of developments should be built on.

I would ask the Department of Planning to deny this proposal. I would ask you to strongly consider the importance of agricultural land and not remove this land from providing us with food. I would like you to consider that EVERY person who owns land adjoining this development is opposed to the development. EVERY one of these people are adversely affected by this development. They all own beautiful houses on beautiful country and now Neoen are planning on ruining their lives by placing a gigantic industrial development into the mix.

Please reject this proposal.

