

Objection to State Significant Project – Angus Place Coal Mine Extension - SSD 5602

Dear Sir/Madam

I strongly object to the Angus Place Coal Mine Extension, and request that the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (DoPIE) recommend refusal of consent. Centennial Coal's Angus Place proposal would be disastrous for NSW both because it will exacerbate the climate emergency and destroy and degrade NSW's precious natural heritage, including nationally endangered swamps. Further: Centennial Coal has very little respect for the environment. It has had 65 noncompliance breaches and over 900 pollution notices. Its record for dumping coal effluent into the Wollangambe River for over 30 years is unconscionable and it is amazing that it has been allowed to continue mining, considering this record. The choice is: Enable an industry that is on a downward spiral to continue to pollute and cause irretrievable damage to the already fragile environment and being recognised as a pariah of pollution. Or Be forward thinking and make an assessment that listens to and immediately acts on the scientific research and evidence that says all emissions need to be reduced NOW, as we are already on the knife edge of experiencing climatic disasters for every living creature and losing our natural environment. Coal production and use is being phased out in so many countries. It is becoming a dirty word. It produces high carbon and nitrogen emissions. Fewer people will be employed in an attempt to remain profitable. In future, health will be a social issue and be factored in, especially in the coal mining areas of NSW & Queensland. Pollution from the mines affects agriculture and horticulture and decreases land values. Forward thinking, progressive decision makers at government level will endorse clean environmentally and socially friendly power and industries. Australia needs to think smarter, not stay back in last century thinking. So called small emissions add up. Australia has the highest emissions per capita. The future of the resource sector needs to focus on supply instead of extraction or mining. Renewable energy is now as cheap, or cheaper than coal. Leave it in the ground. Remove all its subsidies for an even playing field. It is time to protect, rehabilitate and recover these threatened ecological communities. No environment, no us! Underground mining in the region has caused swamps to drain, destroying habitats of their endangered and vulnerable species such as the Blue Mountains Water Skink, Giant Burrowing Frog and the Giant Dragonfly. Drought and bushfires do enough damage as experienced in the most recent bushfires devastated wildlife and bushland. Fragile ecologies were wiped out. We do not need a commercially driven company to destroy more habitat and permanently damage amazing natural structures like the Pagoda Stones. Centennial coal has destroyed too many swamps on the Newnes Plateau. These swamps are critical refuges and natural firebreaks and are more precious than ever. The true costs of the effects and damage on local populations caused by coal mining & coal fired power stations are conveniently ignored. Mt Piper coal-fired power station is overdue for retirement and should not remain active until 2030. I oppose the mine extension as it will worsen the climate emergency. The Thai owned coal mine would contribute 8.5% of NSW's greenhouse gas emissions by supplying coal to the nearby Chinese owned Global heating and is having devastating impacts on people and nature in NSW and around the world. I request that no consent be issued, with strongly worded caveats be included in the decision that Any future non-compliance's will incur serious penalties and the ability to shut down the mine, That when a future government declares a shutdown of any coal fired power station, including Mt Piper, that the taxpayers of NSW will not bail out the coal mining company or the power station owners. The NSW government should be moving rapidly towards a cleaner future as quickly as possible.

Thank you, Jan Jones, 2537

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Dear Madam/Sir,

I have heard that there is an application to re-open the Angus Place coal mine. I understand the need for economic activity and an employment boost during and after the economic downturn due to Covid19. However, wise and long-term decisions need to be made to support economic development and employment. I disagree to re-open this coal mine. I used to live in Lithgow and travelled regularly to Mudgee for work. I know where the mine is located, I know Newnes and The Gardens of Stone near Capertee. I have not visited the hanging swamps on the Newnes plateau and further into the Blue Mountains. However, I know from a friend who has done recent research into the unique eco systems of the swamps that they are deteriorating because of the underground mining that is already there. Underground mining has impacted for a long time the creeks and lakes in the Wollondilly and Wingecarribee areas. The water catchment in the Illawarra will be impacted by the recent approval to extent long wall mining in that area. The environment cannot protect itself against human actions and cannot move itself to a safer place. Human beings can make choices how much destruction of the environment they want inflict. How many unique landscapes do we want to sacrifice for economic development? There are alternative economic strategies. The State NSW wants to be part of the 21st century and not revert to 19th and 20th century. How about the NSW Government goes into partnership with Centennial Coal to develop innovative renewable energy projects? The Commonwealth has funds to support such developments. Instead of overseas companies setting up such projects, we can do it ourselves. The Angus Place coal mine needs serious environmental rehabilitation. How about the NSW Government goes into partnership with a University and Centennial Coal (that can quietly drop the word coal) and implement a fantastic rehabilitation project that is an international showpiece for mine rehabilitation. The coal mining staff can be offer the first opportunities to work in these projects with appropriate skills development. This would be a win for everybody. I have not made political donations or gifts totalling \$1,000 or more in the last two years. I provide my consent for the contents of my submission including my name and postcode to be published and listed by the Department.

Yours sincerely, Wies Schuiringa 2114

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Dear Madam/Sir,

I oppose the re-opening and extension to the Angus Place Coal Mine. This proposal will exacerbate our Climate Emergency and destroy and degrade a part of NSW's precious natural heritage. I request the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment recommend refusal of consent. My reasons for opposing this proposal are: 1. It will cause damage to a Natural Heritage Area 2. It will damage precious waterways, particularly swamps that are so important to the ecology. 3. It will be responsible for increased carbon emissions at a time when the climate emergency is so obvious, and it is imperative we reduce emissions as quickly as possible. 4. It locks us into old fashioned technology when NSW should be moving into the 21st century. I enjoy bush walking in this beautiful area. It is an area of unique natural beauty with a diversity of wildlife, marvellous bird life and amazing flora. As well, the scenery is unbelievable with the most spectacular rock formations. The Gardens of Stone take your breath away. The proposed mine will jeopardize the last heritage listed swamps home of so many amazing creatures. The Wolgan Falls must not be allowed to run dry so long wall mining must be stopped. We have a duty to our children and grandchildren, and the rest of the world, to prevent any damage to this area. I oppose the extension to the mine as this area must be preserved for future generations. I oppose the extensions to the mine as it will damage natural water systems. In our exceptionally dry continent preservation of water should be our number one priority. This proposal would drain the Wolgan River and other streams. The swamps on the Newes Plateau are home to vulnerable and endangered species and are important breeding grounds. Damage has already occurred to some streams, so preservation of the remaining is imperative. I oppose the Mines extensions as it will increase our carbon emissions. There is a climate emergency. The changes in our climate is evident. It causes extreme fires seasons, (longer and more severe), hotter summers, rising sea levels and flooding. I opposed the grandfather clause until 2053. Centennial Coal has misreported its Scope 3 emissions. We have commitments under the Paris agreement. If this extension were to be granted I strongly advise that it be revisited in 5 years to allow NSW to end coal fired electric power and help stop the climate catastrophe. For these reasons this proposal should be rejected. I have not made any political donations or gifts totalling \$1,000 in the last 2 years.

Thank you for considering my submission.

Louise Kirumba 2205

I have no objection to my detail

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Dear Madam/Sir,

I object to the Angus Place Coal Mine Extension, and request that the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (DoPIE) recommend refusal of consent. We are in a climate emergency and there is no argument for supporting the mining and burning of coal. Our future, the planet's future, depends on transitioning ASAP to renewable sources of energy. There is also the matter of environmental damage to the proposed Gardens of Stone conservation reserve. DoPIE must not allow Centennial Coal to replicate the damage it has already caused to nationally threatened upland swamps on the Newnes Plateau. For the above reasons, the amended mine extension proposal must be subject to Independent Planning Commission review processes. I have not made political donations or gifts totalling \$1,000 or more in the last two years. I provide my consent for the contents of my submission including my name and postcode to be published and listed by the Department.

Yours sincerely, Robyn Clarke, 2786

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Dear Madam/Sir,

We live in unprecedented times with a potential cataclysmic future on this continuing path. But some polluting industries are blind to this looming apocalypse and are locked into business as usual, if they can get away with it. This is the time for Government and Planning to stand up and guide a failing world methodology. In 2019- 2020 Australia (and in particular NSW) has endured drought, water restrictions, bushfires, habitat loss and wildlife loss on an extraordinary scale. With bushfire destruction of over 4 million hectares (some pristine habitat) and the death of over 1 billion wildlife (plus bats and insects) directly related to human impacted climate change. Climate change is having a devastating impact on people and nature environment in NSW and around the world. This global climate emergency has been caused by human imposition of many small emissions which add up to a huge global problem. The only way to solve it is to begin closing down these emissions sources one-by-one and rejecting approval of new ones, such as this mine.

I oppose the mine extension as it will worsen the climate emergency.

Gavin Workman 2518

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To whom it may concern:

I was disturbed to discover that NSW continues to routinely consider allowing further coal mining, in this case by allowing the Angus Place Coal Mine Extension. I would strongly urge the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment to refuse consent. The Angus Place proposal would be appalling for NSW, most fundamentally because it will contribute significantly to CO₂ emissions at a time when we desperately need to start reducing them as part of our contribution to global efforts, but also because it is likely to badly affect already endangered habitat, particularly swamps, in the area. Note that CO₂ emissions attributable to this project should include downstream emissions. The environmental damage that we experience as a consequence of rising temperatures must be taken into account, bushfires in particular have recently ravaged the area: by approving such projects, the Department of the Environment is essentially choosing to promote climate events such as the recent bushfires. If any consent is issued, then it should be reviewed periodically (say every 5 years) with a possibility of cancellation after each review. This will allow future governments that are hopefully more enthusiastic about saving the planet to move rapidly away from fossil-fuel solutions without being tied up by long-term contracts and approvals. I have not made political donations or gifts totalling \$1,000 or more in the last two years. I provide my consent for the contents of my submission including my name and postcode to be published and listed by the Department.

Yours sincerely, James Hester, 2227

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Yours sincerely, Anne Reeves 2037

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Yours sincerely, Guy Allinson, 2106

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This is my statement of objection to the Angus Place Coal Mine Extension project.

I object for the following reasons:

- this project would impact negatively on one of Australia's most amazing and valuable natural environments. The Gardens of Stone and the wetlands in the conservation reserve are national treasures and must not be put at further risk
- Like many others I have seen the damage already done to water and the Gardens of Stone by coal mining - it's remediation we need if it's even possible. Certainly not extension.
- there is no need for any new coal mining activities in NSW. The market is crashing.
- the planet is warming at a dangerous rate and to meet our country's international commitments we must phase out coal and gas mining by 2030
- the NSW government has committed to reducing the state's greenhouse gas emissions
- approving new coal would be totally contrary to this commitment
- the tourism industry in the area could be extended, rather than negatively impacted by further coal mining developments.

I call on the Department of Planning Industry and Environment to act in the interests of the people of NSW and reject this proposal. Thank you for the opportunity to have a say about the importance of protecting this area of immeasurable value to our wellbeing and heritage and that of the future generations.

Yours sincerely, {Marie} {Flood}, {2015}

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Dear Madam/Sir,

G'day, I was deeply saddened to hear about this project going ahead. As an ecology major I have extensively studied cases like this, and they always end with the same result. The ecosystems in our beautiful country are already greatly unstable due to human influences, but an action such as mining far outweighs these pressures. I often go out to the blue mountains, especially the Gardens of Stone conservation area and enjoy recreation in the canyons, hiking trails and climbing walls with friends and family. We inject money into the local economy through accommodation, food, gear and courses, which many other people also do, and if this project goes ahead, it will threaten all of this. The government says that tourism makes up majority of the Australian economy, but by proceeding with this project a huge toll will be taken on tourism in the blue mountains. I really hope that you take my words to heart and understand the real consequences of these actions. Thank you from myself, my children, and your children.

Michael Sramek 2120

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Yours sincerely Janine Garlick 2155

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Yours sincerely, Malika Reese 2505

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Yours sincerely, Jacqueline Dabron, 2340

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Dear Madam/Sir,

It seems we have not, are not, learning anything despite the continued coral bleaching of the Great Barrier Reef. Do you really want to contribute to the death of the Reef, the pollution of the atmosphere, the warming of our planet? Perhaps you could ask the victims of this season's bushfires what they think. I have not made political donations or gifts totalling \$1,000 or more in the last two years. I provide my consent for the contents of my submission including my name and postcode to be published and listed by the Department.

Yours sincerely, Holly Norton 2484

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Dear Madam/Sir,

I understand Centennial Coal is seeking planning permission to extract coal via underground mining in the Gardens of Stone conservation reserve. Could it be true that the Government, via the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment is willing to allow a short term proposal (perhaps 30 years) under an area already designated as a Conservation Area? My understanding of the term Conservation Area is that it has been deemed worthy of conservation. Why not mine under already degraded farm land? As a part time resident of the area I am concerned about the environmental consequences, mainly to do with the potential destruction of water aquifers in digging an underground mine. Water is precious in this area. I appreciate nature, the ecosystems which exist in this area, has no rights. Its survival depends entirely on decisions made by the NSW Department of Planning, Industry and Environment. I am concerned that the NSW Department of Planning, Industry and Environment will not defend its ability to exist in an undegraded way and will sign a warrant for its potential destruction. Please do not destroy this area for short term commercial gain, especially for an industry in decline and arguably should be ended. As governments, industries, humans, when will we reach a point where we have destroyed enough? When will we say enough is enough? Please stop the destruction.

Yours sincerely, James Middleton 2850

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Dear Madam/Sir,

Please note my objection to the Angus Place Coal Mine Extension, and request that the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (DoPIE) recommend refusal of consent, on the following grounds: - it will fracture and drain nationally endangered swamps, recovering from an extended drought and extreme heat which is becoming more common. In this context, these swamps are critical refuges and natural firebreaks and more precious than ever. - the climate emergency is real, and no more coal should be mined. The only way to solve it is to begin closing down these emissions sources one-by-one and rejecting approval of new ones, such as this mine - it's emissions would be in breach of the NSW government's own net zero emissions targets by 2050. I request that if any consent is issued, then it must be reviewed every 5 years with a possibility of cancellation from 2025, to enable future NSW Governments to end coal-fired electric power as soon as possible and so help stop the growing climate catastrophe. If mining is to be approved in this environmentally sensitive area, - mini-longwall mining methods should be applied instead of the intensive longwall mining proposed to protect this significant part of the Gardens of Stone reserve proposal. - The Wolgan Falls must not run dry. Proposed longwall mining panels along the Wolgan River side of the proposed mining area must be shortened to prevent river water losses due to far field impacts associated with the extensive Wolgan Lineament Field. - require that Carne Creek, and its waters that flow through the Greater Blue Mountains World Heritage Area and past the Wolgan Valley resort not be contaminated with iron and manganese or suffer reduced flows due to fracturing of surface rocks. - prosecute Centennial for absence of targeted surveys of four nationally endangered plants, for all the above reasons, the amended mine extension proposal must be subject to Independent Planning Commission review processes. I have not made political donations or gifts totalling \$1,000 or more in the last two years. I provide my consent for the contents of my submission including my name and postcode to be published and listed by the Department.

Yours sincerely, Mora Main 2024

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Dear Madam/Sir,

I am calling on the Department of Planning to refuse consent to the re-opening and expansion of the Angus Place Coal Mine. We need to look to clean energy for our future. Coal mining and coal burning for energy is polluting our environment. Coal mining underneath critically-endangered swamps is something that just should not be allowed because of the damage it can do by draining water and endangering life there.

This coal mine will cause cracking and subsidence under these endangered wetlands. I object to the Angus Place Coal Mine Extension, and request that the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (DoPIE) recommend refusal of consent. Centennial Coal's Angus Place proposal would be disastrous for NSW because it will make worse the climate emergency we have and anything that damages or destroys our beautiful natural heritage should not be allowed. I have not made political donations or gifts totalling \$1,000 or more in the last two years. I provide my consent for the contents of my submission including my name and postcode to be published and listed by the Department.

Yours sincerely, Beverley 2199

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Dear Whomever this may concern,

Australia has had one of the most difficult years with bushfires, floods and corona virus. Your disgraceful actions which intend to further contribute to climate change. I'm sure you know that many young people are horrified for their future and your decision to go ahead with underground coal mining permeate this fear. I don't find it necessary to list a bunch of statistics about the effects of coal mining on climate change as I'm sure you already know. So please at least consider the future of young people, I'm 17 and I would like a future where I know I'm safe and this safety can only be ensured with your decision to stop coal mining. I provide my consent for the contents of my submission including my name and postcode to be published and listed by the Department.

Yours sincerely, Varsha Yajman, 2077

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"Dear Madam/Sir,

I write to object to the extension of the Angus Place Coal Mine. My objection is threefold:

- 1 The effect on climate change by burning the mined coal
- 2 the impact on the land above the coal mine and the down stream water bodies and
- 3 a lack of trust in the system to respond to environmental issues arising.

I won't expand on the impacts of coal burning as this is well documented. The impact on the land above the coal mine and the lack of trust are intertwined issues. For a previous Angus Place Coal Mine lease, the DA indicated that there would be no impact on the important swamps above. When it became apparent that serious and irreversible impact was occurring on the swamps, there was no process whereby the mining could be stopped until the damage could be controlled.

On other occasions, despite measures being in place, a large release of toxic water occurred into the Wollangambe River. Some reliable monitoring bodies estimate that the Centennial Coal mis-reported its downstream (scope 3) CO2 emissions as being 30 times smaller than in reality. Due to the inability to manage the environmental impacts - climate level, water catchment level and locally

- I the request that the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (DoPIE) recommend refusal of consent. For the record, I have not made political donations or gifts of \$1,000 or more in the last two years. I give permission for the contents of my submission including my name and postcode to be published and listed by the Department.

Yours sincerely, Elizabeth Dudley-Bestow 2780"

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Yours sincerely, {Fernanda} {Rodas}, {2030}

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Dear Madam/Sir,

You have seen the environmental arguments which have given a host of reasons why the Angus lace mine should not be re-opened, much less extended. You know, as I do, that the coal industry has the public and economic appeal of a scheme to blow up the Barrier Reef. You also know that Eastern Australia is a favoured location for both solar and wind energy on an industrial scale, so the question is Why would you bother?" I have spent a good deal of my time writing environmental impact statements I now regret having aided and abetted the enterprises based on my efforts. Do not go where angels fear to tread and do not go down the path of assisting a dying enterprise such as coal-fired energy.

Yours sincerely, Derek Robertson 2485

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Yours sincerely, Helen McNamara 2065

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Please do not kill living systems for profit

Melissa Fitzgerald 2000

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Dear Madam/Sir,

I am opposed to the Angus Place coal mine extension and continued operation and continued operation of coal mines in Australia. I know it would be a big task for any organisation to move from coal mining to sustainable energy yet is a task that needs to begin. It is also a task that has been neglected by every political party for the past 20 years and it will take a political party to put the future ahead of the short term immediate gain. The Blue Mountains is a very unique area and the coal mining below this area poses a great risk to creeks and wetlands and although these particular water bodies may not supply humans considering the drought we have experienced it is time to have respect for water in general and stop wasting it. Please have enough courage and foresight to oppose the continued mining of coal, thanks for your help and have a good day. I have not made political donations or gifts totalling \$1,000 or more in the last two years. I provide my consent for the contents of my submission including my name and postcode to be published and listed by the Department.

Yours sincerely, Thomas Masterson, 2257

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I object to the Angus Place Coal Mine Extension, and request that the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (DoPIE) recommend refusal of this proposal which I believe will put unnecessary risk and impact to the precious bush land of the Blue Mountains. The 2000 hectare proposed mining area should not go ahead under any circumstances. These Bush and wetland areas are too delicate to risk any disaster that could be associated with the mine and especially as coal seems to be being phased out in preference of renewables.

Yours sincerely, Annette Pike 2119

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We must be taking all opportunities to limit new fossil fuel emitting industries and move with alacrity to make use of our renewable resources. Which we have in abundance. I object to the Angus Place Coal Mine Extension. I request that DoPIE recommend that consent be refused. There are many reasons for my opinion on this. The strongest is that we have an opportunity to be part of a huge shift in cleaning up the air we breathe and the democratisation of power through the poorer nations. We have an obligation to future generations to massively reduce our greenhouse gas emissions. We can choose to lead the way and be an exporter of knowledge and technology in the new business of renewable power or we can ride the plummeting path of keeping on with the old. Locally, coal mines damage surface and sub-surface features. The mining and burning of coal causes air pollution which is responsible for many people suffering early disablement and death world wide. Centennial Coal have not been able to prevent cliff collapses and effects on surface water in the Newnes area. It seems unlikely they will be prepared to do so on any new lease extension. I have not made political donations or gifts totalling \$1,000 or more in the last two years. I provide my consent for the contents of my submission including my name and postcode to be published and listed by the Department.

Yours sincerely, Ian Wilson 2067

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Dear Sir/Madam,

State Significant Project Angus Place Mine Extension (SSD 5602 - Amendment Exhibition)

Please accept the following as my submission to the above DA : OBJECTION I have not made political donations or gifts totalling \$1,000 or more in the last two years. I provide my consent for the contents of my submission including my name and postcode to be published and listed I request that the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (the DoPIE) recommend refusal of consent, as Centennial Coal has not modified the Angus Place mine extension proposal to adequately protect nationally endangered swamps and has sought to grandfather its consent until 2053, preventing future necessary adaption of the energy sector to address the growing climate emergency. I oppose the mine extension as it will fracture the sandstone strata supporting the nationally endangered swamps. Centennial Coal should revise this amended proposal to prevent damage to spectacular Birds Rock, Wolgan River, Carne Creek, pagodas, cliffs and the nationally endangered swamps in the 2,000 hectare Centennial Coal has a poor track record in environmental responsibility - it has already caused to nationally threatened upland swamps on the Newnes Plateau. - To ensure this significant central part of the Gardens of Stone reserve proposal, mini-longwall mining methods should be applied instead of the intensive longwall mining proposed. - The excessive clearing of 50 hectares of public forest for an additional roads, ventilation and pumping facilities must be reduced and all facilities located away from sensitive areas. - Wolgan Falls must not run dry - the proposed longwall mining panels must be shortened by hundreds of metres along the Wolgan River side of the Study Area to prevent river water losses due to far field impacts associated with the extensive Wolgan Lineament Field. - Pristine Carne Creek, and its waters that flow through the Greater Blue Mountains World Heritage Area and past the Wolgan Valley resort must not be contaminated with iron and manganese released or suffer reduced flows due to fracturing of surface rocks. - In the seven years since Centennial's consultants identified the need for targeted surveys of nationally endangered plants, the company failed to undertake these searches. Lithgow Environment Group has in that time identified many sites within the proposal where these Federally listed plants occur, highlighting the weakness of the company's environmental assessment. - Due to the extent of mining impacts and duration of approval being sought, the amended Angus Place mine extension proposal must be subject to an Independent Planning Commission hearing, review and determination process. For all the above reasons, the amended mine extension proposal must be subject to Independent Planning Commission review processes.

Sincerely Maria Bradley 2034

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Dear Madam/Sir,

I object to the Angus Place Coal Mine Extension, and request that the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (DoPIE) recommend refusal of consent. Centennial Coal's Angus Place proposal would be disastrous for NSW. It will exacerbate the climate emergency. It will destroy and degrade NSW's precious natural heritage, including nationally endangered swamps. I have not made political donations or gifts totalling \$1,000 or more in the last two years. I provide my consent for the contents of my submission including my name and postcode to be published and listed by the Department.

Yours sincerely, Liora Ballin 2137

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Dear Madam/Sir,

Please stop this war on nature, the planet & her people. Those addicted to power & their own personal economic gains above and beyond the wellbeing of the whole need to be sent to rehab. The only sensible pathway for any of us to be following at this time - is with green energy. Those of you who can not reign yourselves in to actions that are mindful of the wellbeing of future generations will go to their graves with huge responsibilities that they have not attended to and there will be personal repercussions in the state of your own souls. Please wake up & assist us turning the tide. we have far greater potentiality as a human species than to manifest 'survival of the fittest' (which underpins Western business ethic) as our reality". We are a creative species

Industry and Environment (DoPIE) recommend refusal of consent. Centennial Coal's Angus Place proposal would be disastrous for NSW both because it will exacerbate the climate emergency and destroy and degrade NSW's precious natural heritage including nationally endangered swamps. Further I wish to raise the following specific matters for consideration: I oppose the mine extension as it will fracture and drain nationally endangered swamps. Centennial Coal admits that subsidence-related impacts are expected at Tri-Star Swamp Twin Gully Swamp Trail Six Swamp Birds Rock Swamp Crocodile Swamp and hanging swamps in their catchments. These swamps are home to vulnerable and endangered species such as the Blue Mountains Water Skink Giant Burrowing Frog and the Giant Dragonfly. In the recent bushfire season wildlife and bushland was devastated. The bush was dried out by an extended drought and then scorched in extreme heat which is becoming more common. In this context these swamps are critical refuges and natural firebreaks and more precious than ever. Centennial coal has destroyed enough swamps on the Newnes Plateau. It's time to protect rehabilitate and recover these threatened ecological communities not destroy more. I oppose the mine extension as it will worsen the climate emergency. Global heating is having devastating impacts on people and nature in NSW and around the world. The climate emergency has been caused by many small emissions which add up to a huge global problem. The only way to solve it is to begin closing down these emissions sources one-by-one and rejecting approval of new ones such as this mine. DoPIE must not allow Centennial Coal to replicate under this proposal the damage it has already caused to nationally threatened upland swamps on the Newnes Plateau. If mining is to be approved in this environmentally sensitive area mini-longwall mining methods should be applied instead of the intensive longwall mining proposed to protect this significant part of the Gardens of Stone reserve proposal. The Wolgan Falls must not run dry and so the proposed longwall mining panels along the Wolgan River side of the proposed mining area must be shortened by hundreds of metres to prevent river water losses due to far field impacts associated with the extensive Wolgan Lineament Field. DoPIE must require that pristine Carne Creek and its waters that flow through the Greater Blue Mountains World Heritage Area and past the Wolgan Valley resort not be contaminated with iron and manganese or suffer reduced flows due to fracturing of surface rocks For all the above reasons the amended mine extension proposal must be subject to Independent Planning Commission review processes. I have not made political donations or gifts totalling \$1 000 or more in the last two years. I provide my consent for the contents of my submission including my name and postcode to be published and listed by the Department.

Yours sincerely Nikko Raffin 2454"

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Dear State Planners,

I strongly object to the Angus Place Coal Mine Extension, and request that the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (DoPIE) recommend refusal of consent. This mine would be disastrous both for climate reasons and for natural heritage. It will fracture and drain nationally endangered swamps, home to vulnerable and endangered species.

Yours sincerely, Barbara Finch 2350

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Dear Madam/Sir,

I object to the Angus Place Coal Mine Extension, and request that the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (DoPIE) recommend refusal of consent. I fully endorse the objections that the NSW Nature Conservation Council has outline below. In addition, we have, and in areas are still going, through a debilitating drought. Precious water needs to be saved for life, not dirty coal mining. The last year has produced the worst bushfires in our history - directly attributed to climate degradation, of which coal mining is a large contributor. Centennial Coal's Angus Place proposal would be disastrous for NSW both because it will exacerbate the climate emergency and destroy and degrade NSW's precious natural heritage highlighting the weakness of the company's environmental assessment. For all the above reasons the amended mine extension proposal must be subject to Independent Planning Commission review processes. I have not made political donations or gifts totalling \$1000 or more in the last two years. I provide my consent for the contents of my submission including my name and postcode to be published and listed by the Department."

Yours sincerely, Irene Wheatley 2780

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Dear Madam/Sir/ Honorable Minister,

I object to the Angus Place Coal Mine Extension, and request that the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (DoPIE) recommend refusal of consent. What guarantees can or do Centennial Coal give the people of NSW that permanent and irretrievable environmental damage will not occur with their Angus Place proposal? Can you trust this company given their past record of environmental damage and data fudging? What value do you place on rare and valuable wetland ecosystems, their flora and fauna and historical natural heritage sites? How can you even consider prolonging the burning of non- renewable fossil fuels given all the evidence which indicates its pivotal role in man made climate change? What transition plan does your Government have in place to see the mining and burning of fossil fuels phased out as soon as possible? I have not made political donations or gifts in the last two years. I provide my consent for the contents of my submission including my name and postcode to be published and listed by the Department.

Yours sincerely, David Wood 2452

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Dear Madam/Sir,

I object to the Angus Place Coal Mine Extension, and request that the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (DoPIE) recommend refusal of consent. Centennial Coal's Angus Place proposal would be disastrous for NSW/Australia and our world/planet, both because it will exacerbate the climate emergency and destroy and degrade NSW's/Australia's and the planet's precious natural heritage, including nationally endangered swamps. Really; this is my world as well, along with my son's, his girlfriend, her parents, their children, their grandparents, their friends and so on. As far as every other living species, plant and animal, it is THEIR world too! Stop polluting it! Other sustainable energy sources in the form of sun, wind, wave and water, are 21st century thinking. Make the demand less instead of using supply as the objective. You people are supposed to be smart, if not, you have the human resources allowing you to make fully informed decisions, not politically or I daresay, purely economically based. Our planet is our home. Please do not destroy or even mistreat it. Please respect it and protect it.

Yours sincerely, Dona Eaton 2500

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Dear Madam/Sir,

I object to the Centennial Coal's proposed longwall mining under the Gardens of Stone and other wetlands in the Blue Mountains. Longwall mining causes the overlying rocks to crack and water in the wetlands drains away destroying these precious wetlands. I ask that Centennial Coal proposal to reopen these mines be rejected.

Yours sincerely, {Peter} {Martyn, {2219}}

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Dear Madam/Sir,

I object to the Angus Place Coal Mine Extension, and request that the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (DoPIE) recommend refusal of consent. Centennial Coal's Angus Place proposal would be disastrous for NSW both because it will exacerbate the climate emergency and destroy and degrade NSW's precious natural heritage, including nationally endangered swamps. We have just had fires which have destroyed the landscape of our wonderful land. Look at the science if you have the intelligence. Or is it all just about money. Get real Government of NSW. Just when I thought you were coming good. Seems not.

Yours sincerely, Suzanne Hawley 2037

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Hello,

I love the spectacular Gardens of stone ! What a natural wonder and extraordinary place of beauty. I strongly disagree to the Gardens of Stone (Angus Place) Coal Mine Extension, and request that the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (DoPIE) recommend refusal of consent. Specifically, this mining does real insidious sorts of damage, cracking cliff lines and draining delicate hanging swamps. These swamps are home to vulnerable and endangered species such as the Blue Mountains Water Skink, Giant Burrowing Frog the Giant Dragonfly and many more Also Centennial Coal to revise this amended proposal to prevent damage to spectacular Birds Rock, pagodas, cliffs and the nationally endangered swamps in the 2,000 hectare proposed mining area. For these reasons and more , the amended mine extension proposal must be subject to Independent Planning Commission review processes. I have never made a political donation. I provide my consent for the contents of my submission including my name and postcode to be published and listed by the Department.

Yours sincerely, Joan Ross 2785

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Dear Madam/Sir,

I write to join the objection to the Angus Place Coal Mine Extension, and request that the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (DoPIE) recommend refusal of consent. It is unbelievable that during this period of lockdown" that the coal mining industry is still moving forward with their plans to profit from the wholesale destruction of what little environment is actually left in Australia and NSW. The worst bushfires in history don't even stop them. I expect the government to act in the interests of the Australian population

Denise Zkukov 2535

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I am writing to add my voice to those who object to the Angus Place Coal Mine Extension. I ask that the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment refuse consent due to the negative environmental impacts.

Warm regards, Anthony Fee (postcode 2120)

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Hello,

I am really troubled by your considerations of extending the Angus Place mine to 2053. This is the area of the mega-fires last summer. How can you even begin to consider another 33 years of coal emissions and the flow on effect to climate? I live in Sydney but go and spend time in this very area at least 6 times a year. Well, I did until the fires and have only been back once. Apart from the fires, long wall mining drains swamps and destroys habitats. The same issue as your colleagues have already seen in the catchment areas south of Sydney. There are many swamps in the proposed area the the Gardens of Stone. that could be seriously affected. And for what? Look at the demise of these fossil fuel industries and consider the cognitive dissonance, no; sheer bloody mindedness is a better description of anyone allowing more coal mines. I had a long chat with a miner who has worked on the long wall mine near Lithgow. This supplies Mt Piper power station. He agrees that the effects of coal are very damaging and recognises that coal mining must end in the next decade. All his colleagues know this already. In summary, the mine extension must not go ahead. The Independent Planning Commission review processes must include the Scope 3 emissions that will be generated. Some might say that the Government is trying to slip this through during the Covid emergency. I have more time that ever to observe and comment as any responsible voter should.

Sincerely Andrew Lamond 2038

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Dear Madam/Sir,

I object to the Angus Place Coal Mine Extension, and request that the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (DoPIE) recommend refusal of consent. You will have received many much more detailed reasons for the extension not going ahead. My simple request is for the Garden of Stones National Park where I have walked as a Bush walker and seen the swamps. I do not want more damage to that wonderful unique environment. We should be reducing coal mining, not increasing the amount mined because of CO2 produced and its effect on Climate Change-- brought home to many Australians by the bushfires of the summer. Do not give permission for the extension mining in this area.

Pamela Makey 2120

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Dear Madam/Sir,

I object to the Angus Place Coal Mine Extension, and request that the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (DoPIE) recommend refusal of consent. Centennial Coal's Angus Place proposal would increase carbon emissions and endanger ecologically important swamplands. I provide my consent for the contents of my submission including my name and postcode to be published and listed by the Department.

Yours sincerely, Michael Johnson 2112

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Dear Madam/Sir,

I object to the Angus Place Coal Mine Extension, and request that the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (DoPIE) recommend refusal of consent. Centennial Coal's Angus Place proposal would be disastrous for NSW both because it will exacerbate the climate emergency and destroy and degrade NSW's precious natural heritage, including nationally endangered swamps. It beggar's belief that a government in this day and age can even contemplate the resumption of long wall mining - it has been shown over many years that there can be NO guarantees over the long term effects of underground mining on water supplies and environment. Absolutely staggering !!!

I have not made political donations or gifts totalling \$1,000 or more in the last two years. I provide my consent for the contents of my submission including my name and postcode to be published and listed by the Department.

Yours sincerely, Martin Holden 2219

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Dear Madam/Sir,

I object to the Angus Place Coal Mine Extension, and request that the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (DoPIE) recommend refusal of consent. There so many reasons for my objection, but by far the most important is that the future of Earth depends on what we do NOW. Fossil fuels must remain in the ground just to keep levels of global warming to levels which will still have devastating impacts on the Australian environment. The 2019-2020 bushfire season is partly the result of human-made climate change, and how stupid would it be for the NSW government to keep approving fossil fuel projects and worsen the bushfire prospects in its own state? We need to change our course. Now.

Yours sincerely, Simon Green 2500

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Dear Madam/Sir,

I object to any type of mining to be carried out in the Blue Mountains. Whether to reopen old mining projects or starting new projects. With the recent destruction to native fauna and flora during the summer because of the bushfires, the area needs to rejuvenate. Leave it as the lovely area that Australia can be proud of.

Yours sincerely, Emanuela Murace 2557

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To whom it may or may not concern,

I object most vigorously to the proposed Angus Place Coal Mine Extension, and I demand that the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (DoPIE) use the voice of reason, which is well within their reach, to refuse consent to this outrageous proposal. Centennial Coal's Angus Place proposal would be disastrous not only for NSW because it will exacerbate the climate emergency that we are facing here but it would exacerbate conditions across the entire globe. Inappropriate human activity is destroying the likes of The Great Barrier Reef, the Murray River has been so over allocated it no longer flows, the list of major environmental disasters goes on & on & on as nauseum. I do not understand how any human can propose the obvious catastrophe that Centennial Coal proposes. The only way to solve catastrophe facing humanity is to begin closing down these emissions sources one-by-one and rejecting approval of new ones, such as this mine.

Yours sincerely, Wayne Fay 2483

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Dear Sir/Madam,

I'm deeply concerned to hear of the proposal for an extension of Centennial Coal's Angus Place mine under endangered swamps in the Gardens of Stone conservation area. This mine extension would damage a precious natural environment that we should instead be doing all we can to conserve. Worse still, it would increase our carbon emissions at a time we should only be decreasing them. After our dreadful summer of fire 2019-2020, haven't we learnt anything at all? I am not a member of any political party, and I have not made political donations or gifts totalling \$1,000 or more in the last two years. I provide my consent for the contents of my submission including my name and postcode to be published and listed by the Department.

Yours sincerely, Elizabeth Weiss 2042

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Dear Madam/Sir,

I object to the Angus Place Coal Mine Extension, and request that DPIE recommend refusal of consent. Centennial Coal's Angus Place proposal will take NSW in the wrong direction as it will exacerbate the climate emergency which has been caused by many small emissions which add up to a huge global problem. The only way to solve it is to begin replacing these emissions sources one-by-one with renewable options. I understand the counter-argument about maintaining jobs. If DPIE consents to this application, please make it conditional on investment in skills that can be used in the renewable energy sector. How will NSW transition to a zero-emission economy if we don't begin weaning the employment sector off jobs in fossil-fuels? I have not made political donations or gifts totalling \$1,000 or more in the last two years. I provide my consent for the contents of my submission including my name and postcode to be published and listed by the Department.

Yours sincerely, Anne Marie George 2133

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Dear Madam/Sir,

We must not mine more coal. We must protect our beautiful environment, locally and internationally. Please, do not permit the enlargement of this mine. I have not made political donations or gifts totalling \$1,000 or more in the last two years.

Yours sincerely, Jon Skinner 2026

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Dear Madam/Sir,

I object to the Angus Place Coal Mine Extension, and request that the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment recommend refusal of consent. I wish to raise the following specific matters : - It will cause subsidence and drain environmentally sensitive swamp lands. - This project will be responsible for putting 11 million tonnes of CO2 into the atmosphere each year. This is a major heat trapping gas that is now at significantly than any time in the last 800,000 years - The NSW Government must end coal-fired electric power as soon as possible and so help stop the growing climate catastrophe. - We are almost at a tipping point whereby climate change will be unstoppable with dire consequences for all life on Earth. - Centennial Coal has already caused major damage to nationally threatened upland swamps on the Newnes Plateau. For the above reasons, the amended mine extension proposal must be subject to Independent Planning Commission review processes. I have not made political donations or gifts totalling \$1,000 or more in the last two years. I provide my consent for the contents of my submission including my name and postcode to be published and listed by the Department.

Yours sincerely, Stephen Morris 2261

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Dear Madam/Sir,

I live in Portland NSW, a short distance from Mount Piper power station. I object to the Angus Place Coal Mine Extension, and request that the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (DoPIE) recommend refusal of consent. Centennial Coal's Angus Place proposal would be disastrous for NSW both because it will exacerbate the climate emergency and destroy and degrade NSW's precious natural heritage, including nationally endangered swamps. Global heating is having devastating impacts on people and nature in NSW and around the world. The climate emergency has been caused by many small emissions which add up to a huge global problem. The only way to solve it is to begin closing down these emissions sources one-by-one and rejecting approval of new ones, such as this mine. Mount Piper power station may be the youngest and last to be closed, and there may be a case for the last 10% of energy use being from coal power (although I doubt it), but this should be only allowed when there is an agreed plan to reduce coal extraction for local use and export by 50% within ten years. Until that time at the least a moratorium should be put on all new coal mining approvals in all of Australia. There is not enough transparent reporting of emissions from Mount Piper, the monopoly Centennial have on the coal handling system is a management problem. More could have been done to require the Castlereagh highway to be realigned along the edge of the ash heap, and the ash heap itself is a failure of imagination about what could be done with a few million tonnes of material. I have not made political donations or gifts totalling \$1,000 or more in the last two years. I provide my consent for the contents of my submission including my name and postcode to be published and listed by the Department.

Yours sincerely, Graham Johnson, 2847

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Dear Sir or Madam,

I object to the Angus Place Coal Mine Extension, and request that the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (DoPIE) recommend refusal of consent for Centennial coal to expand and continue to destroy and degrade NSW's natural heritage and especially our endangered swampland. Specifically: the mine extension will fracture and drain nationally endangered swamps and other water courses. They are home to vulnerable and endangered species. Other native animals currently less technically endangered also thrive in these habitats. Whilst fugitive and scope 3 emissions may be beyond the boundaries of your consideration - notwithstanding that a head in the sand attitude and the Nuremberg defence may be difficult to justify to posterity, I note that Centennial coal has already destroyed a number of wetlands. Wetlands that behave as natural firebreaks when the next bushfire - whatever you believe its cause, rages. Please consider this in the light of next summer's bushfires which we will be seeing on our TV screens. Approval to 2053 is ludicrous contextualised against the State's net zero emissions by 2050 target. Approval beyond 2030 will also breach our national commitment to the Paris Agreement. This cannot be considered lightly. Any approval - and I hope that none would be forthcoming should include amendment to protect the Wolgan Falls. Yes, this will may an economic impact on the model and leave Centennial squealing however we must not lose more of our natural heritage for short term gain of a few jobs and benefit to opportunistic foreign owners. For all the above reasons and frankly because it is difficult to have faith in the approval process, I ask that amended extension proposal must be subject to the processes of Independent Planning Commission review. Please be aware I have not made any political donations or gifts in the last two year. I have however worked for many years in finance and project development in both the mining and power sectors. I provide my consent for the contents of my submission including my name and postcode to be published and listed by the Department.

Yours faithfully, Richard Horton NSW 2036

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Dear Madam/Sir,

Please record my objection to the Angus Place Coal Mine Extension, which would be an anachronism in the time of accelerating global warming. As well it threatens to fracture and drain nationally endangered swamps, with dangerous potential for water ecology. I have not made political donations or gifts totalling \$1,000 or more in the last two years. I provide my consent for the contents of my submission including my name and postcode to be published and listed by the Department.

Yours sincerely, Simon de Burgh, 2104.

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Dear Madam/Sir,

It's time to transition away from fossil fuels, so I object to the Angus Place Coal Mine Extension, and request that the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (DoPIE) recommend refusal of consent. Centennial Coal's Angus Place proposal would be disastrous for NSW both because it will exacerbate the climate emergency and destroy and degrade NSW's precious natural heritage, including nationally endangered swamps. I have not made political donations or gifts totalling \$1,000 or more in the last two years. I provide my consent for the contents of my submission including my name and postcode to be published and listed by the Department.

Yours sincerely, Mike Cottee 2094

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Dear authorities,

The risk is too real that the mine extension will fracture and drain nationally endangered swamps. These swamps are home to vulnerable and endangered species. In the recent bushfire season, wildlife and bushland was devastated. The bush was dried out by an extended drought and then scorched in extreme heat which is becoming more common. In this context, these swamps are critical refuges and natural firebreaks and more precious than ever. Centennial coal has destroyed enough swamps on the Newnes Plateau. It's time to protect, rehabilitate and recover these threatened ecological communities, not destroy more. In the seven years since Centennial's consultants identified the need for targeted surveys of four nationally endangered plants, the company failed to undertake these searches. Lithgow Environment Group has in that time identified many sites where these Federally listed plants occur within the proposal, highlighting the weakness of the company's environmental assessment. For all the above reasons, the amended mine extension proposal must be subject to Independent Planning Commission review processes.

Yours sincerely, Graeme Greenup 2024

I have not made political donations or gifts totalling \$1,000 or more in the last two years.

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Dear Madam/Sir,

I have often walked in the Gardens of Stone Conservation Reserve. It is a unique area and should be included in the adjoining National Park. In the meantime, it must be conserved at all costs. Once damaged, it cannot ever be repaired, and coalmining will certainly damage not only the amazing natural rock formations but also its unique natural environment. I strongly object to the proposed Angus Place Coal Mine Extension. It will cause significant subsidence in the area, damaging the natural swamps along with many endangered species. Recent bush fires have already devastated the area and recovery will take many years. Any coal mining under this area will be its final death knell. Although only a relative drop in the bucket in global terms, this mining extension will still add to the global climate emergency. We must draw the line. Many small emissions add up when multiplied around the world. Australia should be leading that change.

Yours sincerely, Robert Sterry 2758

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Dear Madam/Sir,

I object to the Angus Place Coal Mine Extension, and request that the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (DoPIE) recommend refusal of consent. Centennial Coal's Angus Place proposal would be disastrous for NSW both because it will exacerbate the climate emergency and destroy and degrade NSW's precious natural heritage, including nationally endangered swamps. I request that if any consent is issued, then it must be reviewed every 5 years with a possibility of cancellation from 2025, to enable future NSW Governments to end coal-fired electric power as soon as possible and so help stop the growing climate catastrophe. Approval to 2053 is certainly in breach of the NSW government's net zero emissions by 2050 target. Approval beyond 2030 is in breach of Australia's commitment to the Paris agreement goals of making efforts to limit global heating to 1.5 degrees. Please require Centennial Coal to revise this amended proposal to prevent damage to spectacular Birds Rock, pagodas, cliffs and the nationally endangered swamps in the 2,000-hectare proposed mining area. DoPIE must not allow Centennial Coal to replicate under this proposal the damage it has already caused to nationally threatened upland swamps on the Newnes Plateau. If mining is to be approved in this environmentally sensitive area, mini-longwall mining methods should be applied instead of the intensive longwall mining proposed to protect this significant part of the Gardens of Stone reserve proposal. The Wolgan Falls must not run dry and so the proposed longwall mining panels along the Wolgan River side of the proposed mining area must be shortened by hundreds of metres to prevent river water losses due to far field impacts associated with the extensive Wolgan Lineament Field. DoPIE must require that pristine Carne Creek, and its waters that flow through the Greater Blue Mountains World Heritage Area and past the Wolgan Valley resort not be contaminated with iron and manganese or suffer reduced flows due to fracturing of surface rocks. In the seven years since Centennial's consultants identified the need for targeted surveys of four nationally endangered plants, the company failed to undertake these searches. Lithgow Environment Group has in that time identified many sites where these Federally listed plants occur within the proposal, highlighting the weakness of the company's environmental assessment. For all the above reasons, the amended mine extension proposal must be subject to Independent Planning Commission review processes. I have not made political donations or gifts totalling \$1,000 or more in the last two years. I provide my consent for the contents of my submission including my name and postcode to be published and listed by the Department.

Yours sincerely, Sheila Caldwell 2071

Objection to State Significant Project – Angus Place Coal Mine Extension - SSD 5602

Dear Madam/Sir,

Regarding the Angus Place Coal Mine Extension - SSD 5602 I strongly object to this application and recommend that it be refused for the following reasons: the burning of coal causes considerable serious illness (particularly respiratory and cardiac diseases) and the premature deaths of many people, both from air pollution (e.g. particulate matter, oxides of nitrogen and sulphur, heavy metals) and from climate change caused by the carbon dioxide released when coal is burnt. In a nutshell, coals kill people. As a public health doctor, I am horrified that NSW might have such disregard for people's health. climate change is the major threat to human health and even the survival of the human race. We know that greenhouse gas emissions must be halved every decade for the next few decades to avoid the serious consequences of global warming (it is already too late to avoid all the harmful consequences). To achieve this, we must rapidly stop burning fossil fuels, particularly coal. We do not need any more coal mines or extensions to coal mines. The world already has enough coal available. It would be highly irresponsible for NSW to be approving the development of more coal mining, particularly if the NSW government is serious about achieving its stated goal of net zero emissions by 2050. the Angus Place Coal Mine Extension will cause considerable damage to the local environment. For instance, it will cause subsidence that is likely to drain numerous swamps and disrupt water flows in the areas around the mine. Contamination of water courses with toxic chemicals is highly likely. These changes will threaten individual species and destroy precious ecosystems. The drying of vegetation and soil is likely to lead to more bushfires which will make the situation even worse. It may seem that each decision, such as for instance approving a mine extension such as this one, makes little difference to the big picture and the problems I have highlighted above. However, it is all the 'small' environmentally damaging decisions such as this that combine to create the climate and biodiversity crises that the world faces today. Every bad decision makes the situation worse. I encourage you to reject this application. I am happy for my submission including my name and postcode to be made public and listed by the Department.

Yours sincerely, Peter Sainsbury 2027

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Dear Madam/Sir,

We need to move to a cleaner better environment. Stop pussy footing about, let's start the journey now. I am almost 80 and may not see the transition but I would love to see the start. I oppose the mine extension.

Yours sincerely, Sylvia McArthur, 2257

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Dear Madam/Sir,

I object to the Angus Place Coal Mine Extension, and request that the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (DoPIE) recommend refusal of consent. The UN Production Gap report (November 2019), <http://productiongap.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/11/Production-Gap-Report-2019.pdf> warns that Australia's planned coal production is 3.8 times that consistent with a 1.5 deg C global warming pathway. Australia is the world's largest coal exporter, and increasing our production gap will jeopardise humanity's efforts to limit global warming to 1.5 deg C. The Production Gap report provides the science from which it is easily argued that there exists a moral imperative for all countries to immediately ban any increases in fossil fuel production. In particular, there can be no new coal mines or expansion/extension of existing coal mines. Fossil fuel production is killing people as a result of climate change. The 1000-tonne rule, <https://www.frontiersin.org/articles/10.3389/fpsyg.2019.02323/full> provides an order of magnitude estimate for the number of deaths that will be caused by burning a specified amount of carbon within the carbon budget for 2 deg C of global warming. Each MT/year of coal production is expected to cause the deaths of 800 future persons for each year of mine operation (based on coal being approximately 80% carbon). Climate change deaths are not only in the future. This report commissioned by 20 governments, <https://daraint.org/climate-vulnerability-monitor/climate-vulnerability-monitor-2012/report/> estimated that in 2012 the death rate due to anthropogenic global warming was already 400,000 deaths per year. Since 2016 the Office of the Prosecutor (OTP) of the International Criminal Court has a case selection policy (Section 5.41), https://www.icc-cpi.int/itemsDocuments/20160915_OTP-Policy_Case-Selection_Eng.pdf that prioritises Rome Statute crimes that are committed by means of the destruction of the environment. If the OTP decides to take a stand on governments' failures to address climate change, then decisions that increase a country's production gap are likely to be the ideal issue on which to focus because of the straightforward moral implications, backed up by the science in the 2019 UN Production Gap report. Since the human costs of global warming are widely understood, any individual who is involved in approving increases to Australia's fossil fuel production is risking prosecution for genocide and crimes against humanity. In this regard, it should be noted that: (1) intent and knowledge" are defined in Article 30 of the Rome Statute. If a person is aware that their intentional conduct will having regard to the evidence gathered bear the greatest responsibility for the crimes and does not take into account, any official position that may be held by the alleged perpetrators."

Yours sincerely Dr Andrew H. Norton Loftus 2232.

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Dear Madam/Sir,

It is clear to a growing number of people, including me, that we can no longer afford to go backwards on the issue of respect and care for nature and the planet as a whole, and we are very disappointed, baffled, concerned, alarmed and upset to be notified of a comparatively small number of companies and politicians who intend to behave as badly as ever, including Centennial Coal, and Minister Sussan Ley. I object vehemently to any reopening or extension of Angus Place Coal Mine, and request that the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (DoPIE) recommend refusal of consent. Centennial Coal's Angus Place proposal would be disastrous for NSW, and beyond. I oppose the mine extension as it will worsen the climate emergency. Global heating is having devastating impacts on people and nature in NSW and around the world. The climate emergency has been caused by many small emissions which add up to a huge global problem. The only way to solve it is to close down these emissions sources and rejecting approval of new ones, such as this one. I have not made political donations or gifts totalling \$1,000 or more in the last two years. I'm an average human being who cares about the long view of the whole world, not just a few shareholders or short term, non-essential luxury. I provide my consent for the contents of my submission including my name and postcode to be published and listed by the Department.

Yours sincerely, Mintie Rayner 2088

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Dear Sir/ Madam,

I am writing to object to the Angus Place Coal Mine Extension. Further coal production and use as a result of this mine will add to CO2 emissions and exacerbate climate change. This particular location also puts at risk valuable natural heritage, such as the hanging swamps, waterways and riparian zones in close proximity to the mine. This is because of the proven risk of fracturing and consequential leakage of surface water into the mine's void. I am particularly concerned with the impact on the endangered hanging swamps, and the rare and endangered species that depend on them. The swamps are also an important reserve of water and wildlife refuge in times of drought and bushfires. The environmental record of Centennial Coal has been appalling, particularly in relation to the hanging swamps in the Newnes Plateau.

Signed: Clive West 2577