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I strongly object to the New South Wales Government Planning Industry and  
Environment Exhibition of State Significant Development Application  
SSD-14394209

for the following reasons

The site for the planned new high school is on a portion of Bungendore Park, and the Common along Turallo Creek, which are both on Crown Land dedicated for public use and recreation. The site will also take over a section of Majara Street, an important through road to the Kings Highway, from Turallo Street to Gibraltar Street. It is bounded by the railway line and three suburban streets. It is too small an area for a proposed high school of 450 students. There is not much space for further growth unless it takes even more of land designated for public use and recreation.

The Off Leash dog area is part of the Common beside Turallo Creek. This area will be greatly reduced to provide for a planned agricultural plot and sheds for the high school. The Off Leash dog area has always played a vital role in the social life and mental well being of citizens and their dogs (and in earlier times, horses). Bungendore is a very dog centred community for the young and old. We use it and we depend on it.

I am 81 years old, live in Wamboin and have been part of the Wamboin/ Bungendore community for over 35 years. There is no formal off leash area for dogs in Wamboin where we have bush blocks and country roads with no footpaths. I have been driving to the off leash area in Bungendore with my two dogs for many years and have depended on it even more in recent years following hip surgery. I need a level area for walking as do my fellow dog walkers of a similar age. We all know each others dogs names and most of their owners names. It is a friendly, supportive group. The regulars have even provided plastic chairs for those who need to sit down, and we occasionally meet afterwards for dinner at the local Bowling Club or Pub. During the very difficult times of COVID we have continued to meet with our dogs, have maintained social distance, enjoyed fresh air and sunsets together and for those of us who live alone, as I do, it has been much needed social contact, important for my mental and physical health.

To lose easy parking access to this area and to lose an area of this size that allows dogs to run freely will be an irretrievable loss to the health and well being, especially to older members of the community and their much valued

dogs. We have given much in our younger years to make Bungendore the great place that it is today. Don't take this area, dedicated for public use and recreation away from us!

I have no affiliation with any Political Party, Local State or Federal.  
I have not made any donation to a political party in the last two years.