



Yass Landscape Guardians

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RYE PARK WIND FARM ---Modification 1 (SSD-6693 Mod1)

On behalf of the members of the Yass Landscape Guardians we wish to lodge a submission OBJECTING to the Rye Park Wind Farm (Mod 1 (SSD 6693) Tip Height increase.

The increase of 27% in height from 150 to 200m and increase in Rotor diameter on the steep Rye Park hills would increase the visual impact significantly; as this Modification almost doubles the footprint the environmental damage and destruction of native bush land and wildlife, following the horrendous summer fires is unacceptable.

The damage of 30m roads cut into hills and clearing of virgin bushland will be irreversible.

There is never an Industrial Wind Turbine project proposed, without community and neighbours objecting. Projects are granted ‘open ended’ approvals, which are always followed with Proponents applying for a ‘Modification’ for ‘larger turbines’.

Landowners and community members are then required to submit further objections,. regardless of 80-85% of submissions objecting to these projects they are discarded by the DPIE and IPC.

Impacted residents/landowners are not consulted or supported.

The mental fatigue caused by the division of our formerly close rural communities has escalated and is of great concern. It is demoralizing for impacted residents/landowners, having lived on their properties for generations, not be supported by any level of Government.

The saturation of Industrial Wind Turbines in the Yass Valley /Hilltop Regional Council district and the distress to the communities is unacceptable.

There must be a MORATORIUM until there is a Parliamentary Inquiry – The DESTRUCTION of PRISTINE RURAL LANDSCAPE can no longer be tolerated.

The Yass Landscape Guardians supports Andrew Field’s June 2020 submission.

Thank you

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(A/Chair of the YLG)