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WALLARAH 2 COAL PROJECT
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I, Robina Sinclair, object to the Wallarah 2 Coal project on the following grounds:-

The Wallarah 2 coal project will cause subsidence of up to 2.6 metres across the valleys, affecting homes, farm buildings, dams and fencing. It will also cause an unknown amount of horizontal subsidence with the potential to cause damage to Mardie Dam wall and other water storages.

The Wallarah 2 coal project will also cause subsidence affecting power poles supplying 75% of power to Sydney. Due to destabilisation replacement of the poles will be impossible.

The Wallarah 2 coal project will affect health across a huge area including loss of life due to the wide spread of coal dust and particulate matter of < 2.5 microns. This will add to the fact that the Central Coast already has the highest rate of avoidable respiratory disease in Australia.

The Wallarah 2 Coal project is covered by the Wyong Water Catchment which was protected under a proclaimed NSW statute in 1950. (Gazette No 153 of The Local Government Act 1919, 1950)

The Wallarah 2 Coal project will interfere with the local aquifers causing them to drop 100 metres. It will cause the creeks to dry up for large periods of time each year. The affect on creeks will be passed onto Tuggerah lakes where there are 19 species of protected waterbirds.

Regards

Robina Sinclair