

15-10-2013

Director, Mining Projects,
Development Assessment Systems and Approvals,
Department of Planning and Infrastructure,
GPO Box 39, Sydney, NSW, 2001.

Dear Sir/Madam,

Re: Rocky Hill Coal Project # SSD 5156

I have read the executive summary for this open-cut mine proposal at Gloucester; and viewed parts of the EIS on CD format. I find the EIS comprehensive, and wish to support the project on socio-economic grounds for the community of Gloucester, NSW.

As a resident for 26 years, I have come to appreciate the benefits of mining in the area for the past 15 years; and the possibility of another 25 years of local and state prosperity from this project cannot be missed.

I would suggest that the opportunity of future extension of the Gloucester airstrip not be compromised by the mine proposal; and even that the proponent contemplate it's upgrade, since it is so close by. Re-opening of Jack's Road/bridge is a positive outcome.

With both the Stratford and Duralie mine approaches on the Bucketts Way, vehicular traffic has lost two overtaking opportunities. This must not be permitted to occur again with this project.

With this project it may be opportune to consider how the coal industry addresses the release of embedded carbon within the coal deposit, as it will eventually be released into the atmosphere as it is combusted elsewhere (overseas). CO2 offsets are possible, and should be considered in project approval conditions.

On balance, I believe the project should go ahead.

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" I HAVE NOT MADE ANY REPORTABLE
POLITICAL DONATIONS IN THE PAST TWO YEARS."

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