

YVWF Mod1 (SSD 6698 MOD1)

I lodge my objections to the YVWF Mod1 (SSD 6698 MOD 1) :

Fire Risk – Air access is severely restricted in Wind Farm Zones.

Aerial agriculture: weed and fertilizer spreading by either Helicopter or Aeroplane would be restricted.

The destruction by clearing and road construction on the Whitefield Road and Coppabella Ridges on these fragile, pipe clay, granite (boggy) soils will cause such soil erosion they will never recover. Wombats will undermine the freshly disturbed soil, which be a great danger and Notifiable Weeds , eg. Bathurst Burr and Horhound would spread.

The approval 'so validly granted in March 2016' to Epuron must now be NULL and VOID, as this SIGNIFICANT MODIFICATION application by Goldwind to increase the clearing by 165%, including the clearing of White Box- Yellow Box- Blakely's Red Gum Endangered Ecological Community along with the increase in Blade length and Turbine height, equal to 19.75 extra Turbines, such a significant modification should require a new DA.

The destruction of the Native trees and habitat on the Whitefield Road is unacceptable and a unacceptable impact on residence C06. Also on the DPI comparison trial sites, collating State information for over 20 years with field days frequently held on the Whitefield Road site.

The devaluation of our property is a major concern, as with many small family owned properties, it is the only legacy for the next generation, in our situation this devastating project is affecting the lives and plans of three generations.

When in 2015 we were informed the ENTIRE project had been refused, as part of our succession plan the subdivided property adjoining was purchased, this property would now be devalued by 30 -60% as would our entire property. This decrease in our assets is not sustainable.

Decommissioning must also be addressed prior to construction of any Wind Farm, not addressed in 5 years as is Goldwinds proposal. The NSW Government has no legal power to compel wind farm operators to set aside funds for decommissioning or should the operator no longer be available, the responsibility will fall on the Host Landowner, as the development rights and obligations apply to the LAND which is the subject of the application. The Government needs to have a Legislated Agreement with the Hosts legally binding the Host Landowner to Dismantle the Turbines within 12 months of decommissioning. Local Councils should also be involved with this legislation.

The former proponents Epuron and now it appears Goldwind's dishonesty is not something we are familiar with in the country.

Having lived on this property for 59 years and totally committed to all aspects of life and organisations in our village community, this would have to be the most destructive and divisive project in all those years . With the 'Community Grants ', this division will remain in our community. The restraint now felt with formerly close relationship with neighbours is most uncomfortable. Thank you.

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