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This is an objection to the Santos Narrabri Gas both the project itself and the EIS.

Coal Seam Gas – An ongoing environmental and political issue that we have all heard about and have strong opinions towards.

My opinion and everyone else's matters and needs to be taken seriously. This issue is enormous and I wish I knew more and invested as much time and money as people like my Mum does when I realise just how colossal this topic is.

My first question asks: How can this project be okay?

Don't people realise the impact unconventional gas has on the environment and the resources taken from the ground aren't and will not even be used within Australia, they will mostly all be EXPORTED!!?

Sadly, the damage has been done in many places but the Pilliga forest needs to be protected and saved direly!

The land on which the Pilliga forest lies and surrounding areas is home to many endangered species of wildlife and plants. Also this land (Biliga) is sacred to the Gamilaraay people and if destroyed from mining much of their culture and identity will be too. The project will take away the vision of the night sky with the light pollution created from flaring and infrastructure, storytelling is a vital piece of the Gamilaraay people's culture and life and without it their identity is threatened.

My second question is: How does this industry still exist after costing people their lives?

Gas companies such as Santos are harming families everyday and there have been multiple cases proving the toxicity in the chemicals they use to mine have made small children and many families very sick with symptoms such as bleeding noses, gonising migraines and cancer.

A man named George Bender recently committed suicide due to the pressure he was put under by Origin Energy, a huge Gas Company, he was harassed to sign his land over so it could be mined and demolished by them, this is a devastating and extreme example but the repercussions Gas companies such as Santos have on families and the communities is too real to just ignore, we all need to fight this injustice together and show we won't be exported just as our resources are.

My limited objection here supports and upholds the submissions of the Coonabarabran Residents Against Gas, the People for the Plains and the North West Alliance submissions opposing this risky and unsustainable project.

It's not acceptable to me that this project should go ahead under any circumstances.