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to the NSW Dept of Planning & Environment
NARRIBRI GAS FIELD SUBMISSION

I am emphatically & fundamentally
opposed to the SANTOS GAS PROJECT.

I have lived in Coonabara bran for a 1/2 years
moving from BELAIR in SA. the main reasons
for moving was to this town was for the clean
air and water, also the special diverse community
here which can be rare in small country towns.

I had read "A million Wild Acres" by ERIC ROUS
and was impressed by this man's knowledge &
passion for his subject. I belong to native plant
societies in S.A. & Victoria and have long
taken delight and interest in the diversity of
plants growing in the Pilliga.

I have listened to aboriginal people and
elders talk about their country, the
Gamilaraay people are grieving what is
already lost to them, the site of the Lee wood
Water treatment plants/ ponds has spiritual
significance. their pain is real.

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I have friends who have worked and still work at the Siding Springs observatory and I feel this project with its light pollution will put at risk the future of this observatory. It has a special ring of irony that the Warumpunge National park has been given a world renown "dark sky park" status. Tourism is ^{one of} the main income streams of Carnaburran.

Water - it is all about the water. Water is life out here, I have a rain water tank and a bore, the tank has been empty since before Easter, and the reality of what it is like to live with little or no drinkable water is a new reality for me - one that I would struggle to explain and certainly had no idea when I lived in a city.

PRODUCED WATER
All the research I have done. people (experts) I have listened have not explained what/ how this product will be handled. a legacy of toxic waste for many years to come.

SALT

this project will produce tons of salt
tons and tonnes, for which there is not a
Safe disposal plan. (I ~~Read~~ that chapter).

Social Capital

This is so hard to define, but I can see
divisions in the community already, I have
been verbally abused in the main street of
Narribri for holding up a banner in a
peaceful protest.

The sense of cohesion of a community of
diverse people is such a precious asset,
and one in which I have been proud of. listening
to speakers from Miles in Queensland, who
gave account of how their town changed
was sad but enlightening in many
unexpected ways. — Land values sky rocketed
the older generation (volunteers who run the
sports clubs, rotary, etc) all sold and left
the community is still struggling to replace
them.

I see nothing positive about this project, see no money
has been allocated for possible remedial work.
See great harm potentially to local farms, and
farming families, such a short sighted approach
to a wonderful forest.

Yours very Respectfully.
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