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Narrabri Coal Seam Gas Project

Dear Sir/Madam

This is a submission to the Narrabri Gas Environmental Impact Statement.

I oppose the Narrabri Coal Seam Gas Project and believe it should be rejected.

Santos' EIS is very short on detail. It does not provide maps indicating where these 850 wells and the lines and infrastructure that run between and around them will go. Santos is seeking a blank cheque consent for this gasfield on the promise that it will decide where the wells will go afterward using a "Field Development Protocol." No project has ever been assessed this way before in NSW and the constraints Santos proposes are weak and subject to change later on. This is not an appropriate way to assess the largest development project ever undertaken under the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act and the Government must insist that Santos release details to the public about the placement of its wells, pipelines and some other infrastructure.

There are many valid reasons The Narrabri Coal Seam Gas project should be rejected including:

- The Unknown consequence of this activity in the recharge zone of the Great Artesian Basin.
- The massive amount of contaminated salt that will be produced does not have a satisfactory disposal area or method.
- The incredible amount of water required for this project will affect water supply for other purposes and the need to build a desalination plant, means further pollution, salt waste and unwanted heavy industry.
- The impact of the Biodiversity (Flora and Fawna) of the Pilliga Woodlands will be substantial.
- The destruction of culturally sensitive and effects on the heritage of this land and the traditional owners.
- The Health impacts both known and unknown on the surrounding communities.
- The unknown amount and consequence of 'Fugitive Emissions' on the environment, including the effects on global warming.

This project should not be approved.

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