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This is a submission to the Hume Coal Project SSD 7172

I object to this project and recommend that it be rejected.

I strongly object to the proposed building of a new coal mine by Hume Coal in the Southern Highlands of NSW. My reasons for objecting and desiring the rejection of this proposal are as follows:

- 1) The mine will be built far too close to the charming, historic village of Berrima. This is one of too few intact historic treasures we have left in NSW and an extremely popular tourist attraction.
- 2) The Southern Highlands in general is a beautiful area of natural beauty which should never be sullied by a coal mine with all the environmentally damaging issues that surround it - especially dust, noise - fuel / road issues, general pollution & water resource damage.
- 3) The greatest concern though for most residents & farmers are to do with damage to ground water, drinking water, bores & feeders streams all of which are part of the Sydney Catchment for Sydney water. Moreover what about proximity of the aquifers for the local agricultural industries. eg: cattle, sheep, horses, orchards, vineyards, vegetables etc - as well as local drinking water!!

I ask the Government to reject this project

Signed,



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