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This is a submission to the Hume Coal Project EIS. SSD 7172

Who in their right mind would approve a coal mine owned by a Korean entity on the doorstep of Historic Berrima?

The following risks should be taken into account.

- Risk to Water/Catchment area
- Health issues - 3 retention stockpiles
- Noise pollution - coal trains
- Possible subsidence - unknown mining procedure
- Visual impediment to a historic rural tourist hub close to Sydney. Loss of farm land
- Management Credibility: clear inaccuracies throughout the lead up - can these people be trusted to do what they say they will?
- Purchase of farms/property in names other than the schemes proposers. FIRB approval? / Transparency?
- Traffic delays at rail crossings.



On the other hand, what are the benefits?

- Royalties to State Government: \$15m p.a, a pittance when viewed against gross income of Gov - refer White Paper/Budget
- Some employment for locals, albeit the vast majority of Berrimas' residents are retirees - not looking for a job

It really is a No Brainer