

Re: Solar Farm Application Number 8658, "Myalla" 765 Orange Grove Road

24/05/18

To whom it may concern

I would like to let it be known my objections to the proposed site for Gunnedah Solar Farm (on 765 Orange Grove Road, Application Number 8658) because I don't believe enough forethought has been given as to the gravity of the placing of such infrastructure on a floodplain.

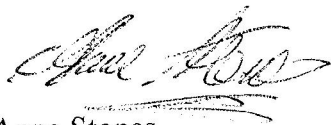
My family have lived on the southern side of the Namoi River on our family property since 1885, so have had over 130 years of flood experience and observation.

In regards to solar farms generally, I am in favour of them as the way forward for the nations power supply, but they do need to be planned and built intelligently with a good deal of regard to placement and subsequent effects to the environment and *all other established infrastructures* within the affected radius of the solar farm.

It is with particular concern that I view the proposed security fencing that is to surround to Solar Farm. During a flood, fences that stand across the path of flood water, unless they are designed to lie down, usually gather flood debris until the pressure can no longer be born and are then washed away. During and after this, the fence acts as a solid structure, forcing the floodwater to deviate in the same way as a levy bank, usually impacting well beyond anything previously foreseen or allowed for.

I trust that due consideration will be given my concerns.

With Regards,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'Anne Stones', written in dark ink.

Anne Stones