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RE: Wollar Solar Farm, SSD 9254

Dear Sir,

The Ryde Gladesville Climate Change Action Group is a group of over 600 citizens in the Ryde area concerned about climate change and the urgent need for action to move to 100% renewables.

In light of this, we are writing to strongly support the Wollar Solar Farm proposal. We believe these types of projects are vital in reducing our reliance on fossil fuels for electricity production. It is our hope that this project will be assessed as efficiently and quickly as possible as a means to reduce CO2 levels.

This project has many positive outcomes including the creation of local jobs and the opportunity for training. An economy which is no longer reliant on coal mine activity means a more vibrant and sustainable community.

We also note that farming will be enabled to continue and that clean water would be available both for the community and the environment if the solar farm is constructed. We understand the local community supports this proposal and that the project has none of the negative social and environmental impacts produced by the neighbouring Wilpinjong open cut coal mine.

Projects such as the Wollar Solar Farm are to be encouraged and given priority by the government as a means of assisting both NSW and the Australian governments reach, and preferably exceed, the targets set in the Paris agreement to reduce global warming to 1.5°C. We would also support the installation of battery storage to extend the availability of the power produced from the solar panels.

Yours sincerely

Pamela Reeves
Secretary
Ryde Gladesville Climate Change Action Group