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**Submission on the Hume Coal Project EIS SSD 15\_7172**

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Attn: Executive Director, Resource Assessments and Business Systems

Planning Services

Department of Planning and Environment

GPO Box 39

Sydney NSW 2001

I object to the proposed new Hume Coal mine in the Southern Highlands because it is a terrible idea and will severely impact local businesses and residents.

POSCO has been recognised for its involvement in corruption, environmental destruction and human rights abuse and as such should not be allowed to operate and profit from Australia.

Please reject this project and protect the Southern Highlands and its residents and many visitors.

Yours sincerely,

Jo Smith

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I object to the proposed new Hume Coal mine in the Southern Highlands because:

Our health, agricultural land & farming, and the community must come first, before coal. It is short sighted to take the risks associated with coal mining in destroying a clean natural environment. The people of the Southern Highlands won't benefit. It's people with powerful voices and with highly paid lobbyists with suspect claims who benefit over the community. It's time to do something about this.

- Toxic mine waste water is a pollution risk to the local river system which is part of the Sydney drinking water catchment.
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- The uncertainty caused by the prospect of a coal mine in the district has caused anxiety, depression and ill-health in the community.
- A new report by The Australia Institute found that Hume Coal's mine could damage the economy of the Southern Highlands.

I urge the Government to reject this project and protect the Southern Highlands, by supporting a vision for a sustainable and coal-free future for this region.

Yours sincerely,

Ruth Kendall

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Objection Hume Coal mine in the Southern Highlands

It is increasingly horrid to see our governments neglecting the health of the voter and the land.

I object because:

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Yours sincerely,

Carolyn Ferris

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I object to the proposed new Hume Coal mine in the Southern Highlands because:

- Australia has to get on with investing in the future not destroying it by persisting with traditions that began when the price to the environment and current and future generations wasn't clear. It is starkly clear now - climate change, air pollution, continued avoidance of productive investment in the industries and technologies of the future that benefit only entrenched interests on both sides of politics.

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I urge the Government to reject this project and protect the Southern Highlands, by supporting a vision for a sustainable and coal-free future for this region. Government is elected and paid to take responsibility for the future and has to start by learning from the evidence and resisting the lazy political fix.

Yours sincerely,

Helen Clemens

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Yours sincerely,

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I object to the proposed new Hume Coal mine in the Southern Highlands for the following reasons:

- There is a pollution risk to the local river system which is part of the Sydney drinking water catchment - from toxic substances. Further, the risks to groundwater are too high. Many landowners in the area have bores, which may be drawn down by up to eighty metres.
- There is low support for this coal mine project from the residents of Wingecarribee Shire. A Galaxy Reserach poll in April 2017 found that the level of support was as low as 18 %.
- There are unacceptable human health concerns. Diesel emissions are acknowledged as carcinogenic. Similarly coal dust poses a significant threat to people's health.
- I am also aware that the parent company, POSCO, has an appalling international track record for corruption, environmental destruction and human rights abuse documented in India, Uzbekistan, South Korea, Vietnam and West Papua.
- I object to the fact that irreplaceable heritage areas as well as productive farmland will be destroyed.
- A new report by The Australia Institute found that Hume Coal's mine could damage the economy of the Southern Highlands.

This project is too risky on too many fronts. I thus strongly urge the Government to reject this project. The Government needs to protect the iconic Southern Highlands, by supporting a vision for a sustainable and coal-free future for this region.

Yours sincerely,

Debra Little

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I often visit the Southern Highlands and I object to the proposed new Hume Coal mine there because:

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- A new report by The Australia Institute found that Hume Coal's mine could damage the economy of the Southern Highlands.
- We are now living in the 21st Century. Coal is a 19-20th Century fuel. I don't want to see a beautiful area spoilt by a mine that will soon be useless.

I urge the Government to reject this project and protect the Southern Highlands, by supporting a vision for a sustainable and coal-free future for this region.

Yours sincerely,

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I object to the proposed new Hume Coal mine in the Southern Highlands because it just doesn't ADD UP. The price far too high in the light of the health and social wealth of the area and Australia.

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Yours sincerely,

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I object to the proposed new Hume Coal mine in the Southern Highlands.

Of all the following concerns, may I highlight my biggest concerns?

Firstly, the proposed mining in an area which is part of Sydney's water catchment area means a big risk to our clean water would be involved.

Secondly the potential damage to the beauty of this exquisite area is major. You only have to look at the horrible mess of the countryside in the Hunter to realise how this land could be savaged.

Thirdly, it is so vital to move into solar and wind as power sources and stop coal mining which is a huge contributor to climate warming with all its attendant problems.

Further objections are these:

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Yours sincerely,

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I wish to object to the proposed new Hume Coal mine in the Southern Highlands as an unnecessary and hazardous undertaking.

The risks to groundwater used by local landowners and catchment areas that provide drinking water for Sydney seem to be unduly high. The mine waste is a great pollutant and the chance it will contaminate our water sources is high. The dust that is produced is hazardous and threatens the health of local residents as well.

I believe according to an April 2017 Galaxy Research poll that support for the coal mine among Wingecarribee Shire residents is just 18%. The uncertainty caused by the prospect of a coal mine in the district has caused anxiety, depression and ill-health in the community.

The parent company, POSCO, has an appalling international track record for corruption, environmental destruction and human rights abuse documented in India, Uzbekistan, South Korea, Vietnam and West Papua. Let's not allow them to add the Southern Highlands to their list.

The impact upon the environment will be detrimental. As a person who regularly bushwalks and birdwatches in the area, I am concerned about the negative impact it will have upon the native fauna and flora.

I urge the Government to reject this project and protect the Southern Highlands, by supporting a vision for a sustainable and coal-free future for this region.

Yours sincerely,

Lindy Jones

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I object to the unnecessary proposed new Hume Coal mine in the Southern Highlands for many reasons, including the following:

Above all the scientific and economic research across the globe supports the benefits of renewable energy as opposed to fossil fuel energy, coal being the greatest contributor to climate change and extreme weather events.

- The area is a farming and residential area and toxic mine waste water is a pollution risk to the local river system which is part of the Sydney drinking water catchment.
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Above all the scientific research

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Yours sincerely,

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- \* This is a farming & tourism region not a coal mining area.
- \* Coal energy is from the past, let's go solar in sunny Australia!
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Climate change is real and already happening. We may already have crossed some irreversible tipping points and, if we haven't, we soon will. Once we cross those tipping points, it will be impossible to reverse the processes that will take us to 6 degrees of warming and beyond. Governments and public authorities are not listening to atmospheric scientists and other experts who constantly tell us that we need to stop polluting the atmosphere with more greenhouse gases from the burning of fossil fuels. We have to stop now. These gases stay in the atmosphere between 8 and 50 years or more. Consequently, coal must stay in the ground.

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Yours sincerely,

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I object to the proposed new Hume Coal mine in the Southern Highlands because I love visiting the Highlands for its superb variety of bird life, some species of which are no longer seen in Sydney.

As well:

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Yours sincerely,

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I object to the proposed new Hume Coal mine in the Southern Highlands because:

- Toxic mine waste water is a pollution risk to all of us and our waterways
- Dangerous coal dust and diesel emissions from coal trains pose a threat to human health.
- It is unbelievable that as a culture that we keep digging more mines when we know it affects the water ways and the quality of the air (already very polluted) we need to be investing in clean energy not continue the push to the belief that we need the coal mines to maintain growth
- The parent company, POSCO, has an appalling international track record for corruption, environmental destruction and human rights abuse documented in India, Uzbekistan, South Korea, Vietnam and West Papua.

I urge the Government to reject this project and protect the Southern Highlands, by supporting a vision for a sustainable and coal-free future for this region.

Yours sincerely,

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I object to the proposed new Hume Coal mine in the Southern Highlands because:

- Australia MUST transition to CLEAN renewables.
- Mining companies have a fiduciary duty to be managing risk from climate change and world policy. Extending existing and/or building new mines does not address the directors' long-term duties to shareholders.
- End of mine clean-up has not been factored into the company's financials. The private benefit of any mine MUST bear its responsibilities for ALL environmental damage. It MUST NOT be carried by taxpayers.

The following points are facts of the current mine application and current social research, and which I wish to include with my objection.

. Toxic mine waste water is a pollution risk to the local river system which is part of the Sydney drinking water catchment.

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Primarily, on the basis of our public health and safety, I object to the proposed new Hume Coal mine in the Southern Highlands because:

- Toxic mine waste water is a pollution risk to the local river system which is part of the Sydney drinking water catchment that directly impacts on my family's and the millions of people rely on this water to survive.
- Risks to groundwater are too great: the project will seriously affect at least 93 bores owned by 71 landowners, with some drawn down by up to 80 metres.
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- The parent company, POSCO, has an appalling international track record for corruption, environmental destruction and human rights abuse documented in India, Uzbekistan, South Korea, Vietnam and West Papua. This should be enough to dismiss this approval.
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I urge the Government to reject this project and protect the Southern Highlands, by supporting a vision for a sustainable and coal-free future for this region.

In the event you ignore these concerns risks to our health and safety then, would reserve the right to take legal actions against the signatories to the approval of this application.

Yours sincerely,

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I object to the proposed new Hume Coal mine in the Southern Highlands because:

I object to our natural heritage being trashed by which I mean our unique plants, fauna and habitat for our wildlife and a place of renewal and peace for us.

I do not support digging more coal out of the ground. We should put all our energy into renewable energy that will not trash our planet and environment.

Why should the little people like farmers and ordinary communities suffer the expensive negative consequences of mining?

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I urge the Government to reject this project and protect the Southern Highlands, by supporting a vision for a sustainable and coal-free future for this region.

Yours sincerely,

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yet again - for money!

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I urge the Government to reject this project and protect the Southern Highlands.

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Yours sincerely,

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I object to the proposed new Hume Coal mine in the Southern Highlands because I do not want to see any more coalmines in this country. Please read the science and the economics.

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I object to the proposed new Hume Coal mine in the Southern Highlands because:

Further additions to the global atmosphere of fossil carbon must as soon as possible be completely stopped. We are allowing ourselves to travel a uniquely dangerous path and are doing it without an appreciation for the consequences that lie ahead.

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I grew up in Mittagong. I attended school there and spent the first years of my working life there. I cannot believe that anyone could be so horribly wrong in their thinking to even SUGGEST putting a mine in this region!

I object to the proposed new Hume Coal mine in the Southern Highlands for the above reason supported by the following facts:

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Yours sincerely,

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Surely it is time NSW developed a coal policy so that extension to existing mines and new mines are looked at in a scientific and environmentally sound manner so that our future from the effects of burning fossil fuels is planned. A piecemeal approach such as consideration of this proposal is unsatisfactory without looking at a bigger picture.

I also find it inconceivable that good agricultural, heritage, habitat or other valuable land, are proposed to be destroyed for an unnecessary coal mine whose profits will benefit mainly overseas corporations.

Valuable land is never replaceable. The mining industry is renowned for its poor reinstatement of mining areas.

Coal mining is associated with health hazards to those affected by dust and noise from handling and transport processes

I also object to the proposed new Hume Coal mine in the Southern Highlands because:

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Yours sincerely,

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I object to the proposed new Hume Coal mine in the Southern Highlands because:

Our family have been until recently long term residents of Berrima. My parents and I operated a nursery in Berrima for over 50 years using irrigation water from the Wingecarribee.

I still own land in Berrima which is still able to be used for horticultural activities.

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- An April 2017 Galaxy Research poll found support for the coal mine among Wingecarribee Shire residents is just 18%.
- Dangerous coal dust and diesel emissions from coal trains pose a threat to human health. There would also be a strong likelihood of pollution as far as our property.
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- The parent company, POSCO, has an appalling international track record for corruption, environmental destruction and human rights abuse documented in India, Uzbekistan, South Korea, Vietnam and West Papua.
- Rich heritage areas and farmland will be destroyed. Including our own rural property.
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Yours sincerely,

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I object to the proposed new Hume Coal mine in the Southern Highlands because:

- We can't live without water!!! Toxic mine waste water is pollution and it puts at risk the local river system that is prt of our drinking water.
- We can't live with clean drinking water!

The project will pollute at least 93 bores owned by 71 landowners, with some drawn down by up to 80 metres.

- We the people you are supposed to represent don't support this mine! An April 2017 Galaxy Research poll found support for the coal mine among Wingecarribee Shire residents is just 18%.
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Yours sincerely,

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\* But most importantly, the time of taking coal out of the ground is over, investors and companies should put their money in alternative energy instead of destroying natural environments for short-time gain.

Yours sincerely,

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I object to the proposed new Hume Coal mine in the Southern Highlands because I want to know we have done all we can to leave future generations a healthy planet - for our grandchildren's grandchildren!

This proposed new Hume Coal mine endangers the future because:

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- My family frequently visits the Southern Highlands for family holidays. It would definitely influence our decision in choosing a holiday destination in the future if a mine was in the region.
- Coal is an outdated energy source, and no longer is required as an energy source. Everything from the extraction from the earth to the burning of coal is bad for the environment and would be illogical to invest in it.

I urge the Government to reject this project and protect the Southern Highlands, by supporting a vision for a sustainable and coal-free future for this region. Please do the right thing for those who live in the area, and others who appreciate the relaxing countryside only a short distance from Sydney.

Yours sincerely,

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The Southern Highlands is a stunning environment. The coal mine would destroy a large part of that environment and detrimentally affect tens of thousands of people.

Yours sincerely,

ROSEMARY CAMERON

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I am a local resident and I do not want Hume Coal to destroy our beautiful Sutton Forest region, coal trucks to be using our country roads or freight trains to block our commuter lines.

I also strongly object to the proposed new Hume Coal mine in the Southern Highlands because:

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- Hume Coal's trains will add an extra 24 minutes of closures at rail level crossings every day. This creates unacceptable delays on emergency service response times. As a regular commuter I often experienced
- The parent company, POSCO, has an appalling international track record for corruption, environmental destruction and human rights abuse documented in India, Uzbekistan, South Korea, Vietnam and West Papua.
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Yours sincerely,

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Please do not let this mine into our village. Come and see for yourself, the precious children that go to school here everyday that are relying on us to protect their health and future. The most generous thing we can do for the future, is make the right decisions in the present.

There are other ways of powering our country.

Ask the children, they'll tell you.

I urge the Government to reject this project and protect the Southern Highlands, by supporting a vision for a sustainable and coal-free future for this region.

Yours sincerely,

Kimberley Moule

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The fact you think you have the right to stuff the environment is criminal, and will probably be treated as such in a few years

Yours sincerely,

Jackie Hattingh

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I urge the Government to reject this project and protect the Southern Highlands, by supporting a vision for a sustainable and coal-free future for this region. There has been enough damage done!!! Our children and grandchildren's future is hanging in the balance.

Yours sincerely,

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I object to the proposed new Hume Coal mine in the Southern Highlands because:

- I totally object to Hume Coal Company attempting to develop coal mine in the region of the catchment. I live in the Illawarra region where we are strongly objecting to Wollongong Coal redeveloping a mine in the Sydney Catchment. Water is a necessary commodity and in no way must coal mining threaten the catchment with community of 4 million people. The result of toxic water means that citizens will have to buy bottled water as is the case throughout the third world countries. STOP HUME COAL NOW.

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I am a geologist and I object strongly to the proposed new Hume Coal mine in the Southern Highlands because coal is not the future. It is old technology and must be jettisoned as soon as possible to ameliorate damage to the atmosphere that is already causing climate change. Also:

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I urge the Government to reject this project and protect the Southern Highlands, by supporting a vision for a sustainable and coal-free future for this region.

Yours sincerely,

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\* It's time to modernise. Coal needs to go. Before it risks our environment further.

And you know the rest, but here it is anyway, since you don't seem to be listening.

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I object to the proposed new Hume Coal mine in the Southern Highlands because everybody knows that coal mining is not a clean process and there is always a negative environmental impact.

The campaign supporting the project paints a picture that there will be no impact on the Southern Highlands and it will create jobs. However, already jobs are being lost due to the distress it is causing land owners and lowered property values brought about by a potential coal mine.

**HAS AN INDEPENDENT EIS BEEN UNDERTAKEN?**

Coal mining, however well done it might be, always brings health impacts, water impacts, and negative impacts on the local population.

Demand for coal is diminishing, and renewable energy increasing.

Please refrain from promoting this project as good for our community - it isn't. It is a short term project that is good for profits for Hume coal.

I agree with the points below and see how few people are happy with the prospect of a coal mine in the Southern Highlands.

- Toxic mine waste water is a pollution risk to the local river system which is part of the Sydney drinking water catchment.
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We moved from Picton in 2003 to Sydney in the hope to avoid any more mining after giving submissions and speaking in front of the Commission of Enquiry into the Tahmoor Mine long wall mining proposal in the late 1990s. Our newly built house was across the road from the subsidence compensation boundary. We knew about the devastating effects on the houses in Couridjah, some not habitable. We have also watched, horrified as Thirlmere Lakes where our kids grew up - drained. After millions of years in the making and full up the 20 years we lived in the area. Mining is greed personified.

It is toxic, creates social problems, family economic devastation and a kick in the guts.

From my experience I completely believe that we live in a plutocracy and don't have any land rights. Much like the indigenous people we kicked off their land.

I didn't grow up with this attitude but my experience tells me it is so....

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Yours sincerely,

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I have been involved in the development of the Southern Highlands Food and Wine Clusters and business incubator projects.

The region is a rapidly growing lifestyle destination which has international positioning. The development of a coal competes with this positioning.

I have also been involved with the sewer augmentation project for Council. The area is a water catchment for Sydney. I do not have any faith in the company's proposition that there will be no water contamination.

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- Risks to groundwater are too great: the project will seriously affect at least 93 bores owned by 71 landowners, with some drawn down by up to 80 metres.
- An April 2017 Galaxy Research poll found support for the coal mine among Wingecarribee Shire residents is as little as 18%.
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The economic development that is going on in the region with the business incubator, events development, food and wine

i formally request Government reject this project and protect the Southern Highlands, by supporting a vision for a sustainable and coal-free future for this region.

Yours sincerely,

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This is a beautiful region. We need to protect it for future generations. Surely short term greed should not be allowed to upset the proper order. Water will soon be the most valuable asset on the planet. Force these users of our non renewable assets to find a better solution to the power needs of our precious planet.

Yours sincerely,

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I object to the proposed new Hume Coal mine in the Southern Highlands because:

I am aware that in Wollondilly shire land collapses occur as a result of coal mining.

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Yours sincerely,

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Please, we are so lucky with our wealth of land, lets protect it, our environment, communities and families.

The Southern Highlands are too precious. Please NO TO COAL!

Yours sincerely,

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Not another coal mine!

I object to the proposed new Hume Coal mine in the Southern Highlands due to the following:

- Toxic mine waste water is a pollution risk to the local river system and also Sydney drinking water catchment.
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Yours sincerely,

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I am very disappointed that Australia is still under the misapprehension that coal mining is a good thing for Australia and the planet. This earth is the only one that we have and we owe it to ourselves and the generations that come after us to keep our air clean and not pollute this planet anymore. We could lead the world in research into all forms of clean energy and hold our heads up high. Instead we should hang our heads in shame. We will not be the lucky country for long. Make sustainable choices for energy and jobs.

Yours sincerely,

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The catastrophic effect of climate change due to burning fossil fuels is very real and if we are to avoid completely destroying our planet and ourselves we need to stop right now. Certainly we should not be establishing new coal mines in valuable areas that includes farmlands, forests and water resources.

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I object to the proposed new Hume Coal mine in the Southern Highlands for the following reasons. I also wish to add that the Highlands is a beautiful area supporting agriculture, tourism, our heritage and a peaceful lifestyle for many. Please don't destroy this by allowing a coal mine to operate here.

Most other advanced countries wouldn't even consider this, why are we?

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I object to the proposed new Hume Coal mine in the Southern Highlands because:

-Coal is filthy.

-Coal should be left in the ground.

-Coal mining and stockpiling causes damage to farmlands, the water table, natural areas and causes asthma and respiratory diseases - especially for vulnerable people in the community - elderly and children.

-Coal miners have been discovered with "black lung" only recently in Queensland - it's not good for them either.

-Coal transport spreads coal dust along the entire transport corridor and causes damage to the health of communities along the way - especially respiratory illnesses for the elderly and children.

-Coal burning is killing our planet. Sulphur dioxide causes acid rain, acrid stench and a rapidly warming planet.

-We can't afford to risk the health of us all for a few bucks for a mining company for a few short years.

-We have to get off coal altogether,

-It would be blind stupidity to think that "it's all ok" - it's NOT OK any more! We have to stick to our Paris Climate Agreement. This means we leave the damned stuff in the ground and get our energy from renewables,

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Why does this government even consider new coal mines? This is an outdated fuel and coal is better kept in the ground than burnt.

You and the proponent need to explain:

- . Why a new coal mine is being considered.
- . Why other forms of fuel are not being favoured for investment, notably solar, instead of investments in coal mines.
- . Why expected groundwater contamination is not being taken seriously.
- . Why 72% of residents views are being ignored.
- . Why the threat to human health from mining, transport and handling of coal is somehow not featured in your cost benefit analysis.

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I object to the proposed new Hume Coal mine in the Southern Highlands because when I was in high school in Ireland I studied geography and one of the major studies was Australia. This was the beginning of my desire to come and live in Australia in 1974. I loved Australia before I got here! I learned that Australia was a dry continent but also had its beautiful agriculture land! Australia had everything and everything needed to be done to protect this beautiful but fragile country! It is with utter dismay that I have witnessed the devastation that mining has brought to its best agricultural land and once its lost its gone and lost forever! I have no objection to mining in the remote parts of Australia where it does not effect a future source of food and water for an ever increasing population! This is your chance to stop this mine and stop a disaster before it happens! Do not let this happen to your own community and especially the community that will be most effected! For the sake of Australia and the sake of your own family and friends be brave and stop this mine! This is just wrong especially for the following reasons!

- Toxic mine waste water is a pollution risk to the local river system which is part of the Sydney drinking water catchment.
- Risks to groundwater are too great: the project will seriously affect at least 93 bores owned by 71 landowners, with some drawn down by up to 80 metres.
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- The parent company, POSCO, has an appalling international track record for corruption, environmental destruction and human rights abuse documented in India, Uzbekistan, South Korea, Vietnam and West Papua.
- Rich heritage areas and farmland will be destroyed.
- The uncertainty caused by the prospect of a coal mine in the district has caused anxiety, depression and ill-health in the community.
- A new report by The Australia Institute found that Hume Coal's mine could damage the economy of the Southern Highlands.

The Government should reject this project and protect the Southern Highlands and the people who live there from coal mining.

Yours sincerely,

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**Submission Hume Coal Project EIS SSD 15\_7172**

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Attn: Executive Director, Resource Assessments and Business Systems

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I object to the proposed new Hume Coal mine in the Southern Highlands because:

I am very concerned about maintaining water quality locally and - inevitably - for Sydneys water supply. Our pure water should be reserved for drinking and agriculture not for (dirty) mining activity that leaves once clean water polluted by mine waste.

- I am concerned too about groundwater and more than 90 bores owned by more than 70 landowners
- An April 2017 Galaxy Research poll found little support for the coal mine among Wingecarribee Shire, demonstrated further by the WSC long opposition to coal mining
- Black lung is a growing health concern in Qld, a preventable disease returning because of poor management. Friends near mines complain of coal dust throughout homes. Transport by road and rail will exacerbate already high diesel emissions, a further threat to human health.
- The parent company, POSCO, has an appalling international track record for corruption, environmental destruction and human rights abuse documented in India, Uzbekistan, South Korea, Vietnam and West Papua.
- This area is beautiful country that provides environmental "lungs" and human solace, qualities a coal mine can never provide and is likely to disrupt.

I urge the Government to reject this project, to protect Wingecarribee and adjoining regions by supporting a vision for a sustainable and coal-free future for this region.

Yours sincerely,

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I object to the proposed new Hume Coal mine in the Southern Highlands.

The environmental damage caused by these mines will ruin this beautiful Southern Highlands area and should be prevented from proceeding because :

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- Risks to groundwater are too great: the project will seriously affect at least 93 bores owned by 71 landowners, with some drawn down by up to 80 metres.
- An April 2017 Galaxy Research poll found support for the coal mine among Wingecarribee Shire residents is just 18%.
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I urge the Government to reject this project and protect the Southern Highlands, by supporting a vision for a sustainable and coal-free future for this region.

Yours sincerely,

Greg Wilson

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I object to the proposed new Hume Coal mine in the Southern Highlands because:

Toxic mine waste water is a pollution risk to the local river system which is part of the Sydney drinking water catchment.

Coal mining in the Sydney water catchment area has already caused permanent damage to rivers, creeks and swamps. Surface water is being drained into underground coal mines where it becomes polluted. It has to stop. We are destroying our water supply and irreparably damaging the environment, all for short-term profit, in this case for a foreign company.

I urge the Government to reject this project and protect the Southern Highlands, by supporting a vision for a sustainable and coal-free future for this region.

Yours sincerely,

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I object to the proposed new Hume Coal mine in the Southern Highlands because:

I am originally from Sydney and I was married in Berrima because it is one of the most beautiful places I have ever been. It is steeped in history and is a tourist magnet for people from Sydney, Canberra and many other places. Tourism would die if a coal mine was put in this area and the town would also die as a result.

- Toxic mine waste water is a pollution risk to the local river system which is part of the Sydney drinking water catchment.
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Yours sincerely,

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Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing to state my vehement objection, as a frequent visitor to and planned future resident of the Southern Highlands, to the new Hume Coal mining project being proposed for Sutton Forest.

My reasons for opposing this destructive, polluting and entirely greed-driven project are:

- The parent company, POSCO, has an alarming international track record in regard to corruption, environmental destruction and human rights abuses as documented in India, Uzbekistan, South Korea, Vietnam and West Papua. That our Government could even consider working with such a company is despicable and completely unacceptable on every conceivable level.
- The quantity of toxic waste water the mine will produce presents a serious and irreversible pollution risk to the local river system which is part of the Sydney drinking water catchment. It has the potential to affect the cleanliness of drinking water and poses a significant health risk to the people of New South Wales, as do coal dust and diesel fuel emissions from the many trains that will be used to transport the coal to port.
- The trains used by Hume Coal will add an extra 24 minutes of closures at rail level crossings each day. This will create unacceptable delays and significantly increase emergency service response times, endangering the lives of local people and visitors to the region alike.
- The risks the project poses to the quality of groundwater are far too high and completely unacceptable. The project will seriously affect at least 93 bores owned by 71 landowners, with some drawn down by up to 80 metres. Once gone, this water will never be accessible again.
- Many historical and heritage areas of the Southern Highlands will be permanently destroyed by this needless, wasteful and greed-driven project, as will valuable farmland in what is currently the food bowl of New South Wales. People cannot eat coal. They can, however, eat the rich variety of agricultural products currently grown in this extremely fertile region.
- The project will be disastrous for the tourism industry which is currently one of the region's most important and highest earning industries. A new report commissioned by The Australia Institute found that the Hume Coal mining project will irreparably damage the economy of the Southern Highlands. Is the Government prepared to stand by its decision to destroy the homes and livelihoods of hundreds if not thousands of local residents come election time?
- A poll conducted by Galaxy Research in April 2017 revealed that only 18% of Wingecarribee Shire residents support this project, which has been responsible for causing widespread anxiety, depression and ill-health in the community since it was announced. It is not wanted by the majority of the local population, nor by people

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like myself who live outside the region but visit it on a regular basis and think of it as their home away from home.

The Government must reject this unwanted, unclean and unsafe project, which is designed solely to put money in foreign pockets and will do absolutely nothing to help or improve the local, state or federal economies in the long-term. The Southern Highlands is a very special place and its beauty and heritage should not be destroyed for the sake of mining a product the world has less and less use for and needs to stop using if the critical issue of climate change is ever going to be successfully addressed before our planet becomes an uninhabitable wasteland. Our children deserve a better legacy than gigantic holes in the ground and it's time for the Government to realize that and start working in earnest to provide clean, sustainable and reliable sources of energy that will not ruin the environment and destroy people's lives.

Yours sincerely,

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I object to the proposed new Hume Coal mine in the Southern Highlands because:

We simply do not need it.

Invest the money in something else that isn't destructive and that doesn't have a daily cost component. This is an 1800's era project.

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I urge the Government to reject this project and protect the Southern Highlands, by supporting a vision for a sustainable and coal-free future for this region.

Yours sincerely,

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I urge the Government to reject this project and protect the Southern Highlands, by supporting a vision for a sustainable and coal-free future for this region.

I am continually worried about the damage to the health of people in the Hunter region and am concerned about the expansion into the Southern Highlands .

Yours sincerely,

Henry Elliffe

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Yours sincerely,

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.coal is a dying industry.

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Yours sincerely,

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I object to the proposed new Hume Coal mine in the Southern Highlands because:

First and foremost, we do not want or need coal. It is a dirty energy source that should be replaced with clean, sustainable energy. More and more people want this and with climate change being very apparent we must act responsibly. Coal mines spoil the countryside, contaminate water and land, and are a backward step that we need our governments to oppose on our behalf.

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Yours sincerely,

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As a recent visitor to Berrima, Moss Vale and Sutton Forest where I experienced the pristine beauty of the natural environment I was appalled to learn that yet another coal was planned for the region. Coal is the problem not the solution to our energy needs. It is equivalent to reintroducing horse-driven carriages for public transport.

I object to the proposed new Hume Coal mine in the Southern Highlands because:

- Rich heritage areas and farmland will be destroyed.
- The parent company, POSCO, has an appalling international track record for corruption, environmental destruction and human rights abuse documented in India, Uzbekistan, South Korea, Vietnam and West Papua.
- . Communities are fed up with self-interested lobby groups for big business that override local social and environmental interests. An April 2017 Galaxy Research poll found support for the coal mine among Wingecarribee Shire residents is just 18%
- Toxic mine waste water is a pollution risk to the local river system which is part of the Sydney drinking water catchment.
- History shows that extractive industries have an appalling track record in Australia for rehabilitation of mining sites.
- Risks to groundwater are too great: the project will seriously affect at least 93 bores owned by 71 landowners, with some drawn down by up to 80 metres.
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I urge the Government to reject this project and protect the Southern Highlands, by supporting a vision for a sustainable and coal-free future for this region.

Yours sincerely,

Tony Walters

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I object to the proposed new Hume Coal mine in the Southern Highlands because:

- I am very concerned at the constant push by large coal mining companies to build more coal mines, and disgusted that the government continues to support them. Doesn't the government see that the majority of people don't want coal mines, they want to concentrate on renewable energy for the future of our country and our planet.
- Toxic mine waste water is a pollution risk to the local river system which is part of the Sydney drinking water catchment.
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Yours sincerely,

Linda Baker

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I object to the proposed new Hume Coal mine in the Southern Highlands because:

- It is heartbreaking that toxic mine waste water is a pollution risk to the local river system which is part of the Sydney drinking water catchment.
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Yours sincerely,

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I agree with the form letter below. In addition, I object to government approval of and support for outdated and harmful fuel sources which are no longer economically viable without government support and in particular, if full remediation costs are charged to the perpetrator organisation.

When large financial corporations such as banks are getting out of prehistoric fossil fuel projects as too risky, why is government allowing such projects to lay waste to arable land, potable water and viable communities?

It's way past time to commit to cleaner fuel technologies and to cease destroying life-giving natural environment. It's time to reduce dependence on coal not to perpetuate it by ill-advised continuing investment in financially risky, pre-industrial, redundant technology.

The Southern Highlands does not need coal for local jobs - it has plenty of exploitable characteristics to create jobs that contribute to health and welfare.

It's one of the prettiest accessible areas on the outskirts of Sydney and is much appreciated by people like me who have travelled many times between Sydney and Canberra, and visited there for short breaks from city life. Even a few hours visiting Open Gardens there refreshes mind, spirit and body.

I have no personal, material interest in the area. However, I object strenuously to corporate interests joining with government to despoil yet more of the community's heritage and resource. I am fed up with the political processes that support this repeated behaviour by government, especially by the Liberal government ever since Barry O'Farrell claimed he'd protect Kuringai's environment. What a bad joke on the electorate that proved to be!

I've observed for many years the performance of the current state MP for Lane Cove from his "boy wonder" days to his current mid-life effort and am not impressed favourably at all. Perhaps the new flats foisted on Lane Cove by the Liberals will introduce a lively new political element in this area and end his sinecure.

This state's planning is a joke, focussing on destruction of everything worthwhile in the natural environment for the sake of corporate interests and failing in the basics.

The lost productivity for the Sydney community through grossly inadequate transport infrastructure is beyond words - hundreds of thousands of people idle and chewing up fossil fuel for 3 - 4 hours, 5 days per week just to get to and from their employment!

People's lives are being destroyed by the constant need to fight government on these unviable, destructive projects that provide profit for a few at great cost to other individuals and to the community. Recent history of CSG in NSW provides many such examples.

I think the relatively affluent and angry people of the Southern Highlands will ride a growing tidal wave of disgust with the plundering mindset of this Liberal government.

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Yours sincerely,

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- Apparently the parent company, POSCO, has an appalling international track record for corruption, environmental destruction and human rights abuse documented in India, Uzbekistan, South Korea, Vietnam and West Papua.
- Rich heritage areas and farmland will be destroyed. Farmers who have had land passed down to them for generations are at risk.
- The uncertainty caused by the prospect of a coal mine in the district has caused anxiety, depression and ill-health in the community.

It is seriously affecting some close friends who run their business as their trees are their livelihood. The turmoil in their life is increasing daily. This should not happen in Australia.

- Hume Coal's mine could damage the economy of the Southern Highlands

I urge the Government to reject this project and protect the Southern Highlands and its residents by supporting a vision for a sustainable and coal-free future for this region.

Yours sincerely,

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**Patricia Thomson**

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Coal mines should be a thing of the past. They are dirty, despoil the landscape, and cause health problems. And to build one close to Sydney's water catchment seems the height of folly.

It amazes me that countries which get a fraction of the sun that we do are moving to rely on solar energy faster than we are. Are we really so lacking in vision?

Yours sincerely,

Patricia Thomson

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I object to the proposed new Hume Coal mine in the Southern Highlands because:

The cost and infrastructure involved not to mention the potential for environmental disaster are excellent reasons to replace coal with renewable green power start the change to green power start here start now

- Toxic mine waste water is a pollution risk to the local river system which is part of the Sydney drinking water catchment.
- Risks to groundwater are too great: the project will seriously affect at least 93 bores owned by 71 landowners, with some drawn down by up to 80 metres.
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Yours sincerely,

Henriette Hurley

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I object to the proposed new Hume Coal mine in the Southern Highlands because:

This would be a truly reprehensible decision.

The protection of our environment is paramount and should supersede all other considerations.

And coal mining is an industry that should be condemned to our history books!

**RENEWABLE ENERGY IS THE FUTURE !**

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I urge the Government to reject this project and protect the Southern Highlands, by supporting a vision for a sustainable and coal-free future for this region.

Yours sincerely,

Karen Houghton

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**Dorothy Jackson**

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From a simple tourism perspective the Southern Highlands are a destination for clean air, locally grown produce and great gardens!!!

I urge the Government to reject this project and protect the Southern Highlands, by supporting a vision for a sustainable and coal-free future for this region.

Yours sincerely,

Dorothy Jackson

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I object to the proposed new Hume Coal mine in the Southern Highlands.

Australia signed the Paris agreement that was to limit climate change. The government of Australia needs to honour its commitments. A basic requirement for life as we know it is fresh water. Don't risk the water supply to Sydney by polluting its catchment area.

The real message I want to send is I ask for honesty and fairness for all life on this planet.

I ask the Government to reject this project and protect the Southern Highlands. Australia needs a sustainable and coal-free future,

Yours sincerely,

Bronwen Evans

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I object to the proposed new Hume Coal mine in the Southern Highlands because:

- It's 2017 and there are far more efficient sources of energy than dirty coal, with even China and India on the road to abandoning coal completely!
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I urge the Government to reject this project and protect the Southern Highlands, by supporting a vision for a sustainable and coal-free future for this region.

Yours sincerely,

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I object to the proposed new Hume Coal mine in the Southern Highlands because:

- Toxic mine waste water is a pollution risk to the local river system which is part of the Sydney drinking water catchment. Water catchment areas around Sydney should be protected and off limits to development. Fresh clean drinking water is too important to risk.
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I regularly visit this area and enjoy the area immensely, a coal mine would destroy this amenity.

I urge the Government to reject this project and protect the Southern Highlands, by supporting a vision for a sustainable and coal-free future for this region.

Yours sincerely,

Chris Ross

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I urge the Government to reject this project and protect the Southern Highlands, by supporting a vision for a sustainable and coal-free future for this region. Please stop this 19th Century thinking on the wonders of coal.

Yours sincerely,

Jennifer Jungheim



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**Having seen what has been done to the beautiful Hunter Valley, I would hate to see the same thing happen to the unique area of the New South Wales Southern Highlands. So much of our country is being ravaged for commercial purposes that soon we won't have anything left of our beautiful country to enjoy.**

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Yours sincerely,

Lorna Barnett

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Please reject this project. Another coal mine, with the coal dust and train haulage emissions, will;

-adversely affect local residents,

-destroy farmland and damage nearly heritage green spaces,

-pollute ground water.

We cannot trust this project's parent company - POSCO - with the beautiful Southern Highlands.

Yours sincerely,

Nigel Pearson

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I recently visited Sutton Forest in the Southern Highlands to celebrate my 46th birthday with a stay at Peppers Manor House. While there we took advantage of the breath-taking countryside with many walks, a bike ride and a number of visits to local wineries.

I am APPALLED at the proposal to open a coal mine in this region. To even contemplate such a thing is cause for uproar. Why would you consider jeopardizing the future of such an amazing tourist region for the short term benefit up digging it all up for a bit of coal.

Seriously, what is the LONG TERM benefit? A few jobs for a decade or 2 and a bit of tax income?

On this basis I object to the proposed new Hume Coal mine in the Southern Highlands for this and the other below reasons:

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I urge the Government to reject this project and protect the Southern Highlands, by supporting a vision for a sustainable and coal-free future for this region.

Yours sincerely,

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I object to the proposed new Hume Coal mine in the Southern Highlands because:

- Toxic mine waste water is a pollution risk to the local river system which is part of the Sydney drinking water catchment. I for one, would not want my family and friends to be consuming mine dust and waste simply for the expediency of a money hungry Coal Miners. Your time in Government will be numbered until the next election if you give them to go ahead with this mine.
- Risks to groundwater are too great: the project will seriously affect at least 93 bores owned by 71 landowners, with some drawn down by up to 80 metres.
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- Hume Coal's trains will add an extra 24 minutes of closures at rail level crossings every day. This creates unacceptable delays on emergency service response times. Particularly if humans have been injured in some way, and emergency services cannot get to them, or a home or property fire cannot be reached due to these sort of delays. You will be putting people and property at risk. The person approving this mine should be "put up against a wall and shot" for their blatant disregard for human health. If my home or family are going to suffer by these closures at railway crossing because of Hume Coal trucks blocking the way of emergency operators then I would certainly employ a legal practitioner to file a law suit against your council for millions of dollars for allowing this mine to go ahead which has caused me "no end of grief".
- The parent company, POSCO, has an appalling international track record for corruption, environmental destruction and human rights abuse documented in India, Uzbekistan, South Korea, Vietnam and West Papua. Why should such organisation be allowed to operate here in Australia when it is well known and documented in the literature on their complete disregards for human health and to our flora and fauna. We are not a third world Country and we should not have to be subjected to this blatant form of disregard for human life, that this organisation (Posco) seems to get away with in other countries around the world. You people in Government have a lot to answer for if this mine goes ahead.
- Rich heritage areas and farmland will be destroyed. It would appear that the idiots in Government only want the \$\$\$ that come from this mine, and I bet this will be minimal to the \$\$\$ this Hume Coal will send back overseas after they have raped the land of its riches, and destroyed all the riches that the Southern Highlands have to offer the rest of this great Country. I for one would like to know the name of the person or persons who will be giving the go ahead for this mine, so I can contact them directly and their email addresses to give them my tirade in writing, BUT these people will at arms length and would not want to be identified. This is hypocrisy of the highest order and it should be stopped right here and right now

- The uncertainty caused by the prospect of a coal mine in the district has caused anxiety, depression and ill-health in the community.
- A new report by The Australia Institute found that Hume Coal's mine could damage the economy of the Southern Highlands.

I urge the Government to reject this project and protect the Southern Highlands, by supporting a vision for a sustainable and coal-free future for this region. Failure to do so, will make everyone who is involved in this decision making process liable to prosecution for taking such dramatic and devastating effects it will have on the flora, fauna and human population of the Southern Highlands and we should investigate getting a legal firm involved to prevent this mine from going ahead.

Yours sincerely,

Norman Halliwell

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I am very concerned about the proposed new Hume Coal mine in the Southern Highlands and wish to object to it for the following reasons:

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The Southern Highlands is far too an important area for the Sydney basin for it to be affected by pollution from coal mines. It must be protected.

I STRONGLY urge the Government to reject this project and protect the Southern Highlands, by supporting a vision for a sustainable and coal-free future for this region.

Yours sincerely,

Elizabeth Wood

Jill Sly

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It's a short sighted disgusting rape of a pristine environment.

I can't believe that successive Australian governments would contemplate building more coal mines

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Yours sincerely,

Jill Sly

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**Heather Steed**

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The coal era is over. For the sake of the planet and for future generations it is time to leave the coal in the ground and invest instead in renewable energy sources.

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Heather Steed



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Although I live in Victoria I have family in Sydney and the Wingecarabie Shire. Therefore I have a great interest in the area.

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Yours sincerely,

Felicity Crombach

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Yours sincerely,

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.And there's no market for the stuff!

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Yours sincerely,

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I object to the proposed new Hume Coal mine in the Southern Highlands because:

I am horrified by the prospect of a coal mine blighting the beauty and tranquillity of the Southern Highlands. My parents retired to a property outside of Berrima and are fearful that this development will destroy the integrity of the historic town. I often visit the Highlands and am always uplifted by its fresh air, open spaces and leafy gardens. It is a tourist magnet because it offers a rural experience relatively close to an overdeveloped, overcrowded Sydney. Now Hume Coal is proposing to trash that experience for visitors and locals alike! I don't believe for one minute a coal mine can operate without impacting negatively on both the environment and residents. There is plenty of evidence to the contrary.

Consider the following:

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Coal is not the future. The mining of coal degrades the environment, pollutes water sources, reduces air quality, causes disease. The burning of coal contributes to greenhouse gas emissions and threatens the planet.

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To support the Hume Coal proposition knowing this is to show contempt not only for the residents of the Highlands but Australians in general.

I urge the Government to reject this project and protect the Southern Highlands, by supporting a vision for a sustainable and coal-free future for this region.

Yours sincerely,

Kirsten Ockenden

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I object to the proposed new Hume Coal mine in the Southern Highlands because:

Water and farming are more important to our long-term future than coal. You can't drink coal, you can't eat coal. Renewables are the way forward for our planet and for our economy.

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Yours sincerely,

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I am objecting to the proposed new Hume Coal mine in the Southern Highlands because:

- The plan is to mine in a forest area - a much needed native animal habitat area - the loss of our forests and the dwindling native habitat resource is becoming a dire situation with many species endangered and on the brink of extinction due to loss of habitat - we cannot continue down this path.
- Rich heritage areas and the renowned farmland of the Southern Highlands will be destroyed.
- The project has the potential to seriously affect at least 93 bores owned by 71 landowners, with some drawn down by up to 80 metres.
- Toxic mine waste water is a pollution risk to the local river system which is part of the Sydney drinking water catchment.
- Support for the coal mine among Wingecarribee Shire residents is just 18% (please view the April 2017 Galaxy Research poll)
- A report by The Australia Institute found that Hume Coal's mine could damage the economy of the Southern Highlands.
- As proven in other parts of the state dangerous coal dust and diesel emissions from coal trains pose a threat to human health and it has been reported that the uncertainty caused by the prospect of a coal mine in the district has already caused anxiety, depression and ill-health in the community.
- Hume Coal's trains will reportedly add an extra 24 minutes of closures at rail level crossings every day. This creates unacceptable delays on emergency service response times.
- And finally the parent company, POSCO, has an appalling international track record for corruption, environmental destruction and human rights abuse documented in India, Uzbekistan, South Korea, Vietnam and West Papua.

I urge the Government to reject this project and protect the Southern Highlands, by supporting a vision for a sustainable and coal-free future for this region.

Yours sincerely,

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In addition to my objection to the Hume Coal Project in the Southern Highlands, I am extremely concerned at a more general trend across this country, at both State and Federal levels of government, that is seeing approvals for new mines given despite the adverse impacts on the environment and the communities that it sustains. In an era where we are increasingly experiencing the effects of human-induced climate change, I see such decisions as incompetent, corrupt, and lacking in credible vision for the future.

I urge the Government to reject this project and protect the Southern Highlands, by supporting a vision for a sustainable and coal-free future for this region.

Yours sincerely,

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I object to the proposed new Hume Coal mine in the Southern Highlands because coal mining is incredibly destructive to the natural environment and needs to be phased out with renewable energy sources taking its place. It is senseless and heartbreaking to degrade and ruin a beautiful natural area for a process that is becoming obsolete anyway. The following are some other reasons why I oppose this mine:

- Toxic mine waste water is a pollution risk to the local river system which is part of the Sydney drinking water catchment.
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Yours sincerely,

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Coal is old, dirty technology and we can do better!

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Yours sincerely,

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To the Executive Director,

What do you want your legacy to be? Why on earth would you jeopardise the safety of our drinking water for such a damaging source of energy?

I strongly object to the proposed new Hume Coal mine in the Southern Highlands because:

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Yours sincerely,

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I object to the proposed new Hume Coal mine in the Southern Highlands. My objections are:

- The high pollution risk that toxic mine waste water poses to the local river system and the Sydney drinking water catchment.
- The project will seriously affect at least 93 bores owned by 71 landowners, with some drawn down by up to 80 metres. The risk of contaminating the ground water is too great.
- The loads on coal trains are uncovered releasing coal dust along the rail corridors. The coal dust and diesel emissions from coal trains pose a threat to human health.
- Farmland will be destroyed. Farming is important for a sustainable, local food supply for our future. Farming is already under threat with the recent loss of Tarwyn Park and the Liverpool Plains.
- Hume Coal's parent company POSCO has an incredibly poor international track record for corruption and environmental destruction. .
- The Australia Institute found that Hume Coal's mine could damage the economy of the Southern Highlands.

I urge the Government to reject this project and protect the Southern Highlands.

Please support a sustainable and coal-free future, not only for this region, but all of New South Wales and Australia.

Yours sincerely,

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I object to the proposed new Hume Coal mine in the Southern Highlands because:

. I believe Australia needs to move rapidly to zero carbon emissions

and promote and if necessary fund innovative renewable energy projects - for the sake of our children and all future generations.

That we are even considering a new coal mine, particularly in prime agricultural country, is a form of denial of what we need to do. This proposal should be rejected because:

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I object to the proposed new Hume Coal mine in the Southern Highlands because Australia will end up as an international joke unless we realize that coal is finished as an energy source - climate change is real, it's happening, and to continue building coal mines with the scientific information that is at our fingertips is an act of unjustifiable insanity.

Yours sincerely,

Michael Cook

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I object to the proposed new Hume Coal mine in the Southern Highlands for many reasons. Below are just a few environmental issues, but the Southern Highlands residents rely quite heavily on tourism based on the beauty of the area. Please consider the following points as well::

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Yours sincerely,

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\*\*\*I have had a gutful of the endless conga-line of blood-sucking business punters who don't even live in the area, don't care about anything but ripping-out as much profit from the poor land as they can and then racking-off leaving who-knows-what kind of "legacy". STOP IT! I urge the Government to reject this project and protect the Southern Highlands, by supporting a vision for a sustainable and coal-free future for this region.

Yours sincerely,

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This mine is a huge concern not only environmentally, but the health issues of the residents in the Sydney water catchment area, means this decision should be reversed. I cannot believe coal should come before the health of the Australian population. Over 800 people could be so far effected by black lung disease in Australia @ many more with lung conditions, due the polluting effects of coal mining such as Asthma, pneumonia, bronchitis which costs the government for many years, and far outways any financial benefits the government may consider they make in the short-term. Please for the welfare of the population in & around the area, consider the real cost & financial burden this will have on the government full term.

Yours sincerely,

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As a Sydney resident and a resident of earth I object to the proposed new Hume Coal mine in the Southern Highlands because:

Coal is a terrible pollutant and expiring resource.

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Yours sincerely,

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Would you like to live next door to a coal mine?

Yours sincerely,

Jennifer Mines

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**Submission Hume Coal Project EIS SSD 15\_7172**

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Attn: Executive Director, Resource Assessments and Business Systems

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I object to the proposed new Hume Coal mine in the Southern Highlands because:

- Toxic mine waste water is a pollution risk to the local river system which is part of the Sydney drinking water catchment. Water is the lifeblood of all communities, and we need to protect the quality and quantity of it.
- Risks to groundwater are too great: the project will seriously affect at least 93 bores owned by 71 landowners, with some drawn down by up to 80 metres. This will in turn affect agriculture and productivity in the local area.
- An April 2017 Galaxy Research poll found support for the coal mine among Wingecarribee Shire residents is just 18%....I am absolutely against it!
- Dangerous coal dust and diesel emissions from coal trains pose a threat to human health. We often have strong winds which blow, at times, for days, and over months, and this will cause the coal dust to affect many people of all ages throughout the Southern Highlands area. While we are blessed with great hospitals and medical services this will put more pressure on these services and cost individuals and the state much more financially. At present I work in a clothing retail store in Berrima, and I think it is very likely that the very fine coal dust particles will infiltrate the high quality clothing that is for sale, and cause major problems.
- Hume Coal's trains will add an extra 24 minutes of closures at rail level crossings every day. This creates unacceptable delays on emergency service response times.
- The parent company, POSCO, has an appalling international track record for corruption, environmental destruction and human rights abuse documented in India, Uzbekistan, South Korea, Vietnam and West Papua. The Southern Highlands does not want to be part of this.
- Rich heritage areas and farmland will be destroyed. Berrima is known as a historic town, with many heritage buildings which preserve our early colonial history. We do not need to destroy the little (comparatively) colonial history that we have in this country. We also have many wineries in the area, producing fine wines, providing employment and tourism opportunities...these will also be affected by a local coal mine.
- The uncertainty caused by the prospect of a coal mine in the district has caused anxiety, depression and ill-health in the community.
- A new report by The Australia Institute found that Hume Coal's mine could damage the economy of the Southern Highlands. Tourism will be greatly affected, and jobs and businesses will be lost.

I urge the Government to reject this project and protect the Southern Highlands, by supporting a vision for a sustainable and coal-free future for this region.

Yours sincerely,

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- it damages our nations health, not only physical but also mental health. It's depressive, sad and frustrating to watch our government support dirty coal mines when renewable energy technology is available and could boost the economy. It just doesn't make sense!

- Toxic mine waste water is a pollution risk to the local river system which is part of the Sydney drinking water catchment.
- Risks to groundwater are too great: the project will seriously affect at least 93 bores owned by 71 landowners, with some drawn down by up to 80 metres.
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Yours sincerely,

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\*As a local firstly, I don't want to be breathing in rubbish. I already have a chronic terminal condition and live here (and have done for over 20 years) partly for the "fresh clean" air. To live comfortably, you need to be able to breathe in comfort.....

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I object to the proposed new Hume Coal mine in the Southern Highlands. We are endangering the future of the region's agriculture & Sydney's water supply.

Why would we allow a company that has shown that it does not obey the law to have access to our country's resources. This will have a detrimental affect on the welfare & health of Australian citizens.

Here is an elaboration on these general statements:

- Toxic mine waste water is a pollution risk to the local river system which is part of the Sydney drinking water catchment.
- Risks to groundwater are too great: the project will seriously affect at least 93 bores owned by 71 landowners, with some drawn down by up to 80 metres.
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I urge the Government to reject this project and protect the Southern Highlands, by supporting a vision for a sustainable and coal-free future for this region.

Yours sincerely,

Judith Walker

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Over and above these specific objections, as a society we are now fully aware of the damage that fossil fuel combustion does to the Earth's atmosphere via greenhouse gas generation. For some such products & processes there is currently little alternative, and hence sequestration of carbon dioxide is a necessary part of processes such as steel and cement production. For thermal coal this is not the case, and a future reliant almost entirely on renewable energy has been demonstrated by numerous authoritative education / research bodies.

It is said that we borrow the land from our descendants. It is long past the time that we started to take this reality seriously and stop the many aspects of the destruction of our life support systems. Refusing this mining application would be a step in the right direction.

I therefore urge the Government to reject this project and protect the Southern Highlands, by supporting a vision for a sustainable and coal-free future for this region.

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Yours sincerely,

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The rights of government to invoke the guarantees for reparation of the land during and after the coal mine activity has insufficient strength and needs to have a bigger deposit of funds at risk for the coal mine company.

I urge the Government to reject this project and protect the Southern Highlands, by supporting a vision for a sustainable and coal-free future for this region.

Yours sincerely,

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I object to the proposed new Hume Coal mine in the Southern Highlands because:

: The benefits are negligible compared to the risk of permanent damage to our country.

- Toxic mine waste water is a pollution risk to the local river system which is part of the Sydney drinking water catchment.
- Risks to groundwater are too great: the project will seriously affect at least 93 bores owned by 71 landowners, with some drawn down by up to 80 metres.
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- Rich heritage areas and farmland will be destroyed.
- The uncertainty caused by the prospect of a coal mine in the district has caused anxiety, depression and ill-health in the community.
- A new report by The Australia Institute found that Hume Coal's mine could damage the economy of the Southern Highlands.

I urge the Government to reject this project and protect the Southern Highlands, by supporting a vision for a sustainable and coal-free future for this region.

Yours sincerely,

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Dear Sir/Madam,

I object strongly to the proposed new Hume Coal mine in the Southern Highlands because:

- 1) Toxic mine waste water is a known pollution risk to the local river system that is part of the Sydney drinking water catchment.
- 2) Risks to groundwater are too great: the project will seriously affect at least 93 bores owned by 71 landowners, with some drawn down by up to 80 metres.
- 3) An April 2017 Galaxy Research poll found support for the coal mine among Wingecarribee Shire residents is just 18%.
- 4) Dangerous coal dust and diesel emissions from coal trains pose a threat to human health.
- 5) Hume Coal's trains will add an extra 24 minutes of closures at rail level crossings every day. This creates unacceptable delays on emergency service response times.
- 6) The parent company, POSCO, has an appalling international track record for corruption, environmental destruction and human rights abuse documented in India, Uzbekistan, South Korea, Vietnam and West Papua.
- 7) Rich heritage areas and farmland will be destroyed.
- 8) The uncertainty caused by the prospect of a coal mine in the district has caused anxiety, depression and ill-health in the community.

and

- 9) A new report by The Australia Institute found that Hume Coal's mine could damage the economy of the Southern Highlands.

I urge the Government to reject this project and protect the Southern Highlands, by supporting a vision for a sustainable and coal-free future for this region.

I urge the NSW Government to invest in modern renewable energy industries and bypass the outdated and polluting coal industry.

Yours sincerely,

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Dear Sir or Madam,

Here are some of the reasons I object to the proposed new Hume Coal mine in the Southern Highlands:

- Toxic mine waste water is a pollution risk to the local river system which is part of the Sydney drinking water catchment.
- Risks to groundwater are too great: the project will seriously affect at least 93 bores owned by 71 landowners, with some drawn down by up to 80 metres.
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- A new report by The Australia Institute found that Hume Coal's mine could damage the economy of the Southern Highlands.

I wonder if anyone would consider using the area as a solar/battery storage facility (like the decent people of South Australia), but I suppose you wouldn't be allowed...

Please keep in mind that once our water is poisoned, there is no way back and it will be too late to realise that you cannot drink money.

Yours sincerely,

Fiona Henson

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I object to the proposed new Hume Coal mine in the Southern Highlands because:

- Risks to groundwater are too great: the project will seriously affect at least 93 bores owned by 71 landowners, with some drawn down by up to 80 metres, and as well, risk damaging, irreversibly, feeds to the Sydney catchment. There is plenty of documented evidence of this already in other areas of the catchment.
- An April 2017 Galaxy Research poll found support for the coal mine among Wingecarribee Shire residents is just 18%.
- Dangerous coal dust and diesel emissions from coal trains pose a threat to human health.
- Hume Coal's trains will add an extra 24 minutes of closures at rail level crossings every day. This creates unacceptable delays on emergency service response times.
- Most importantly, the parent company, POSCO, has an appalling international track record for corruption, environmental destruction and human rights abuse documented in India, Uzbekistan, South Korea, Vietnam and West Papua.
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- A new report by The Australia Institute found that Hume Coal's mine could damage the economy of the Southern Highlands.
- Toxic mine waste water is a pollution risk to the local river system which is part of the Sydney drinking water catchment.

I urge the Government to reject this project and protect the Southern Highlands, by supporting a vision for a sustainable future for this region.

Yours sincerely,

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You are the Department of Planning and Environment. Your first concern then, should therefore be Planning not to screw up the Environment, by not perpetuating this obsolete energy source, and pandering to the Coal Lobby.

I urge the Government to reject this project and protect the Southern Highlands, by supporting a vision for a sustainable and coal-free future for this region.

Yours sincerely,

David Every

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The usual reason for governments to support these mining developments is that it will provide employment but once the mine has been established (i.e. mining infrastructure has been completed) then actual miners' numbers is minimal because of automation, including driverless vehicles and equipment will predominate. All this when coal, as an industry, is declining.

What evidence does the government have that the mining company will return the site to its pristine condition?

Yours sincerely,

James Wallace

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I object to the proposed new Hume Coal mine in the Southern Highlands because:

- I value our clean water supply here in the Southern Highlands. But already our rivers and creeks are under threat. Toxic mine waste water is a pollution risk to our river system which is part of the Sydney drinking water catchment. Why would you allow this?
- Risks to groundwater are too great: the project will seriously affect at least 93 bores owned by 71 landowners, with some drawn down by up to 80 metres. My close friends have a beautiful Olive Grove off Golden Vale Road and their livelihood will be seriously affected.
- An April 2017 Galaxy Research poll found support for the coal mine among Wingecarribee Shire residents is just 18%. I know very few residents who support mining here. There are a few retired miners around who have made their living in a mine but some have changed their support knowing the facts.
- Dangerous coal dust and diesel emissions from coal trains pose a threat to human health. The examples of other locations, Hunter in particular, are already proof of this.
- Hume Coal's trains will add an extra 24 minutes of closures at rail level crossings every day. This creates unacceptable delays on emergency service response times. We live right alongside the main track and trains go past all the time, night and day.
- The parent company, POSCO, has an appalling international track record for corruption, environmental destruction and human rights abuse documented in India, Uzbekistan, South Korea, Vietnam and West Papua. Don't let them do it to us here, please.
- We have a lovely area here, but since Hume Coal started buying up land property values for farmland has just dropped by a third. Rich heritage areas and farmland will be destroyed.
- The uncertainty caused by the prospect of a coal mine in the district has caused anxiety, depression and ill-health in the community. My friends at the Olive Grove mentioned earlier have had serious health and relationship issues. We know of others too.
- A new report by The Australia Institute found that Hume Coal's mine could damage the economy of the Southern Highlands.

I urge the Government to reject this project and protect the Southern Highlands, by supporting a vision for a sustainable and coal-free future for this region. The reality is that votes to the Liberal Party dropped last election in this electorate. I have only ever voted conservatively, but this matter is very serious and I will change my vote in future if nothing is done to stop this mine.

Yours sincerely,

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I object to the proposed new Hume Coal mine in the Southern Highlands because:

I lived in the beautiful Southern Highlands. I love the area and its incredible and unique landscape and ecosystem. You don't actually get to decide this. We do.

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Yours sincerely,

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**COAL MINING IN SYDNEY'S WATER CATCHMENT IS TOO RISKY TO IGNORE!!!**

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Yours sincerely,

Anna Armstrong

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I feel totally devastated at the Submission Hume Coal Project is considering and strongly object to any further mining sites in this land. It is a known fact that coal is the dirtiest of all environmental factors to the planet. Whats more our rivers and our drinking water does not need to be contaminated anymore than it is already. Stop this ludicrous plan NOW.

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- A new report by The Australia Institute found that Hume Coal's mine could damage the economy of the Southern Highlands.

I urge the Government to reject this project and protect the Southern Highlands, by supporting a vision for a sustainable and coal-free future for this region.

Yours sincerely,

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**Submission Hume Coal Project EIS SSD 15\_7172**

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Attn: Executive Director, Resource Assessments and Business Systems

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I object to the proposed new Hume Coal mine in the Southern Highlands because:

\* You can't drink coal, and this being the driest continent, we need

good clean drinking water.

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Yours sincerely,

Reg Holmes

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As you see, I am located in Queensland. However, this is an issue that affects us all especially as I am

Thinking of moving back to Sydney in the near future.

Yours sincerely,

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I strenuously object to the proposed new Hume Coal mine in the Southern Highlands, because it seriously crosses every red line which I hold dear, in upholding the pristine environment & critically essential amenity, for the enjoyment of not only the residents but all those who enjoy visiting the Highlands.

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I consider it is the Government's Responsibility to reject this project and protect the Southern Highlands, by supporting a vision for a sustainable and coal-free future for this region.

Yours sincerely,

Brian Croker

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I object to the proposed new Hume Coal mine in the Southern Highlands because:

The Mining activity will have serious detrimental effect on the ground water and in the Sydney water catchment area. These water resource are too valuable to be corrupted by dirty coal mining.

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I urge the Government to reject this project and protect the Southern Highlands, by supporting a vision for a sustainable and coal-free future for this region.

Yours sincerely,

Peter Fackender

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I object to the proposed new Hume Coal mine in the Southern Highlands because:

After several trips to visit friends in the area as well as visiting the local towns and seeing the beautiful countryside I consider a new mine proposal would damage the Southern Highlands as the points below.

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I urge the Government to reject this project and protect the Southern Highlands, by supporting a vision for a sustainable and coal-free future for this region.

Yours sincerely,

Diana Hollway

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In addition to the valid points outlined below, I wish to register my objection to the Hume Coal mine as manifestly ill-suited to the region as a growing destination for food & wine tourism and as a productive agricultural region for the country as a whole.

It is long past time our politicians and those running the bureaucracy start accounting for the long term damage these projects inflict on the environment and community, for which no reparation is ever made.

The Hume Coal mine is a mistake that should not be allowed to proceed.

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Yours sincerely,

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I urge the Government to reject this project and protect the Southern Highlands, by supporting a vision for a sustainable and coal-free future for this region.

On a personal note, my husband's ancestors were among the first white farmers in the district.

It is magnificent agricultural land and the precious water resource of the Wingecarribee dam is natural, and should not be compromised in any way.

Yours sincerely,

Sandra Walsh

Narara, New South Wales, 2250, Australia

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Submission Hume Coal Project EIS SSD 15\_7172 Polluting the water supply for farms for, potentially, hundreds of years does not seem to be a benefit to anyone other than the miners, and that in the short term only. I would respectfully suggest this project be refused for the sake of long term humanity rather than consented for short term profit. Thank you.

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Yours sincerely,

Tim Castle

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I object to the proposed new Hume Coal mine in the Southern Highlands because:

Serously, enough with the coal. It's time to focus on our renewables and leave coal in the ground for the numerous reasons listed below:

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I urge the Government to reject this project and protect the Southern Highlands, by supporting a vision for a sustainable and coal-free future for this region.

Yours sincerely,

Anita Weinberg

Windella, New South Wales, 2320, Australia

**Ian Lamont**

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The future of the Southern Highlands is under threat from a new coal mine proposal that nobody wants and which puts the region's precious water resources at risk.

Not only is the Southern Highlands a beautiful farming region, it forms part of Sydney's drinking water catchment, and any new coal mines pose a threat to clean abundant water.

My objections to the proposed new Hume Coal mine in the Southern Highlands are as follows:

- Minewaste water is toxic and will provide a pollution risk to the local river system which is part of the Sydney drinking water catchment.
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I urge the Government to reject this project and protect the Southern Highlands, by supporting a vision for a sustainable and coal-free future for this region.

Yours sincerely,

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I STRONGLY OPPOSE the proposed new Hume Coal mine in the Southern Highlands!

Clean water is a right, not a want. Clean water is a necessity, not a luxury. Clean water is life, dirty water is.....

Every living thing on Earth depends on clean water to thrive and survive. And clean water is a necessity so that our forests and lands thrive and survive too.

So many of our waters have already been ruined by development, drilling, pollution, and humans.

Enough is enough!

Our waters are supposed to be a place of peace and quiet for us, and the fish and wildlife which live in them and/or rely on them!

The animals are running out of places to live and be safe. Our fish and wildlife are under threat from so many angles. They desperately need to be protected, mainly from humans.

Life is hard enough for people, let alone the animals.

Can't we please offer them some much needed help?!

PLEASE save the waters for all future generations before they are permanently ruined. Some damage cannot be undone!

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- The uncertainty caused by the prospect of a coal mine in the district has caused anxiety, depression and ill-health in the community.
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I urge the Government to REJECT this project and protect the Southern Highlands, by supporting a vision for a sustainable and coal-free future for this region.

Yours sincerely,

Jake Hodie

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**Peter Stenvert**

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I object to the proposed new Hume Coal mine in the Southern Highlands.

It's clear that evidence points to investment in renewables as the most lucrative option for the environment, jobs and economic returns. Private investment doesn't want a bar of mining projects for a good reason. Neither the community nor the state needs or wants this mine.

Yours sincerely,

Peter Stenvert

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I, Jenna Doyle, HIGHLY object to the proposed new Hume Coal mine in the Southern Highlands because:

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THESE are a bare minimum of what affects this is going to have. There are many many aspect not covered here that will be address. Our government need a to take a hard look at what it is doing to our environment, to our future, our next generation (if we actually survive). This is not an exaggeration! You are the hammer, hitting the last nail in the coffin

I CANNOT urge the Government ENOUGH to reject this project and protect the Southern Highlands, by supporting a vision for a sustainable and coal-free future for this region.

Yours sincerely,

Jenna Doyle

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To sum up, BlackRock, the world largest investment fund has stated this week that any further investment in coal is a poor investment.

I urge the Government to reject this project and protect the Southern Highlands, by supporting a vision for a sustainable and coal-free future for this region.

Yours sincerely,

Alex Arthur

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Yours sincerely,

Richard Burnell

Glebe, New South Wales, 2037, Australia



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I live just below the Southern Highlands, in Kangaroo Valley. We are concerned at having a coal mine on our doorstep because of the destruction to the environment of our neighbouring community, the adverse effect on tourist and the social and cultural life of the community in which we participate, and the impact on water in the region which also affects Kangaroo Valley.

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Property owners in Kangaroo Valley depend on spring water which is sourced from the aquifers that underly the Southern Highlands and Illawarra. Contamination or destruction of any part of those aquifers affects many people in a wide area of the south coast and highlands.

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Yours sincerely,

Sue Williamson

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I have lived and raised my 3 healthy children in the highlands for more than 20 years. I run a small design practice & have trained many local young people with modern design & computer skills for there future careers.

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Coal mining is dead - it has no future & i object to foreign companies profiting while poisoning the air we breath & the water we drink.

NO NO NO to this medieval project.

I urge the Government to reject this project and protect the Southern Highlands, by supporting a vision for a sustainable and coal-free future for this region.

Yours sincerely,

Roger Bloor

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**Julie Bell**

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What ever spin you try to put on this to sell this mine - NO COAL IS CLEAN!

Please stop trying to kill our Earth.

Invest in renewables.

Yours sincerely,

Julie Bell

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I object to the proposed new Hume Coal mine in the Southern Highlands because:

Farm land, water and food are the most precious elements that we can hand on to our children and generations to come. The thought of contaminating our water system is beyond belief. NO food producing farm land should ever be exposed to the ravages of mining, gas or wind farms. KEEP Australia for future generations, not for international quick gains.

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Yours sincerely,

Gabrielle Bryant

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We need to stop focusing on coal and coal seam gas mines and start focusing on renewable energy which will employ just as many if not more people than coal and be a million times better for our environment. We only have one planet and we need to protect our water and environment now and for future generations.

Other world governments are being smart about humanity's future. It time our Australian government was too!

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Yours sincerely,

Sue Hamparsum

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Yours sincerely,

Amanda Clark

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I continue to be astounded by the risks that are taken with our environment, particularly our water, by mining companies in search of profits. I am also constantly disappointed by the way our governments mishandle these issues and seemingly go against public opinion.

Yours sincerely,

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Please, for the sake of your children, and their children's children, you must do the right thing to protect their future, health & wellbeing.

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Yours sincerely,

Kristy Malik

Waterloo, New South Wales, 2017, Australia



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- The parent company, POSCO, has an appalling international track record for corruption, environmental destruction and human rights abuse documented in India, Uzbekistan, South Korea, Vietnam and West Papua.
- Coal is outdated as a source of energy and the concept of clean coal is expensive and capturing carbon doesn't work. It's a marketing ploy.

I urge the Government to reject this project and protect the Southern Highlands, by supporting a vision for a sustainable and coal-free future for this region.

Yours sincerely,

Fiona Rimes

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+ Any threat to water security is a threat to our economy. And to argue otherwise around a myopic preoccupation

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Yours sincerely,

Damian Cudmore

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It is unpopular among people who live in the vicinity. An April 2017 Galaxy Research poll found support for the coal mine among Wingecarribee Shire residents is just 18%.

I would also object if I lived that close as dangerous coal dust and diesel emissions from coal trains pose a threat to human health, and Hume Coal's trains would add an extra 24 minutes of closures at rail level crossings every day. This creates unacceptable delays on emergency service response times.

The uncertainty caused by the prospect of a coal mine in the district has caused anxiety, depression and ill-health in the community. The economy is also likely to be affected - a new report by The Australia Institute found that Hume Coal's mine could damage the economy of the Southern Highlands.

There are other reasons for objecting: The parent company, POSCO, has an appalling international track record for corruption, environmental destruction and human rights abuse documented in India, Uzbekistan, South Korea, Vietnam and West Papua.

I urge the Government to reject this project and protect the Southern Highlands, by supporting a vision for a sustainable and coal-free future for this region.

Yours sincerely,

Margaret Roberts

Leichhardt, New South Wales, 2040, Australia

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I object to the proposed new Hume Coal mine in the Southern Highlands because:

\*\*\*We need laws to prosecute politicians for dereliction of duty where they fail to protect the interests of the citizens over the profit of corporations.

Yours sincerely,

Robert Johnson

Paddington, New South Wales, 2021, Australia

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- In order to meet our obligations under the Paris climate agreement to limit global temperature increases to less than 2 degrees no new fossil fuel mines are to be approved (the more ambitious aspirations were for a raise of less than 1.5 degrees.) Instead, investment, incentives and government focus needs to be placed on renewable sources of energy and transitioning workers from fossil fuel industries into the renewables sector. Energy storage for renewable energy from solar and wind also deserve more investment and attention and taking offers such as the one from Elon Musk to South Australia to provide low cost battery storage to increase their energy independence and the reliability of their renewables investments. In short no more approvals to coal, conventional gas and unconventional gas (CSG.)
- Toxic mine waste water is a pollution risk to the local river system which is part of the Sydney drinking water catchment. Water is of the utmost importance to Australians given that we live in the driest continent on Earth. Once polluted, it is almost impossible to restore a catchment's health and this will result in adverse health impacts on many Australians.
- Risks to groundwater are too great: the project will seriously affect at least 93 bores owned by 71 landowners, with some drawn down by up to 80 metres. This will compromise farming and the ability for those properties to support even the families who live on them.
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- The parent company, POSCO, has an appalling international track record for corruption, environmental destruction, and human rights abuse documented in India, Uzbekistan, South Korea, Vietnam and West Papua.
- Rich heritage areas and farmland will be destroyed. This is unacceptable and poses an increased threat to Australian food security.
- The uncertainty caused by the prospect of a coal mine in the district has caused anxiety, depression and ill-health in the community. No doubt it will negatively affect property prices as well.
- A new report by The Australia Institute found that Hume Coal's mine could damage the economy of the Southern Highlands.

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Yours sincerely,

Andreas Dalman

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I object to the proposed new Hume Coal mine in the Southern Highlands because of these reasons and more:

Aren't we learning? Don't we get our environment is sensitive? Don't you want to do something positive and be remembered for saving something special? For being a wise and brave pioneer for our beautiful unique piece of the world moving forward..

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I am a high school student hoping to live in a peaceful and environmentally friendly world for many years to come. Please consider the current and future generations of Australia. We have to look after the environment. It is not a lemon we can squeeze to death. This is a beautiful planet which must not be exploited. We must think long term of the impacts it could have in the future. It is a potential safety and health hazard. We are living in an advanced society where coal mining is a thing of the past. We need to look for clean and sustainable resources.

Yours sincerely,

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Yours sincerely,

Angus Elliott

Moss Vale, New South Wales, 2577, Australia

I urge the Government to reject this project and protect the Southern Highlands, by supporting a vision for a sustainable and coal-free future for this region.

Yours sincerely,

Angus McDonald

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Yours sincerely,

Diane Stokes

Epping, New South Wales, 2121, Australia

Belmore Falls, for instance, was recently named one of the 8 top natural attractions of New South Wales.

We must protect the established brand of the NSW Southern Highlands:

The "CLEAN

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**Angus Stephen**

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Any economic benefit from a mine, however tempting, must be minute in comparison to the value of Sydney having a secure, clean water supply.

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**Submission Hume Coal Project EIS SSD 15\_7172 and the Berrima Rail Project SSD 15\_7171**

Attn: Executive Director, Resource Assessments and Business Systems

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I believe that the environmental, social and human health risks posed by the Hume Coal Project and the Berrima Rail Project (SSD 15\_7171) outweigh any advantages. Any economic benefit is highly questionable.

Risks include:

- water pollution, including pollution of local waterways, Sydney's drinking water catchment and groundwater. Please note that close to 100 bores provide water for local agriculture.
- ecologically important natural areas will be destroyed.
- agriculturally productive farmland will be destroyed.
- coal mining provides dirty and insecure jobs; coal is after all a dying industry.
- coal dust and diesel emissions pose health risks to the local populations, human and non-human

Please take into consideration 1) it is estimated that less than 20% of local people support this project; 2) coal mining is a capital not labour intensive industry. What jobs it generates are to a large extent insecure and unhealthy; 3) the Southern Highlands, as with neighbouring regions, is calling out for investment in renewable energy production - government simply must acknowledge the redundancy of fossil fuel production.

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I object to the proposal by Hume Coal and Berrima Rail (Ref : SSD 15\_7171) and submit that it should be rejected.

By my investigation and research I believe that:

- If the project goes ahead toxic mine waste water will enter the environment and present a serious risk to Sydney's drinking water catchment.
- The "cheap option" plan to re-inject toxic mine waste back into the mine workings risks polluting groundwater in the aquifer in the vicinity of the mine and pose an untenable environmental burden on future generations. In the world's most arid occupied continent groundwater is one of our most valuable natural resources and should be protected ahead of a foreign owned company's proposal to make a quick and dirty profit.
- Hume Coal readily admits that the project will impact the normal groundwater conditions and will seriously affect landowners' water bores in the area above the mine.
- The rich heritage of this part of the Southern Highlands should not be put at risk through this ill-conceived plan by a foreign owned fossil fuel company that only seeks to make a quick profit at our expense.

I urge the Government to reject this project.

Yours sincerely,

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I make this formal objection to the proposals by Hume Coal and Berrima Rail (Ref : SSD 15\_7171) and submit that both should be rejected.

I contend that:

- The project will generate toxic mine waste water that will not only be a danger to the environment but also a pollution risk to Sydney's drinking water catchment.
- Hume Coal already admits that its project will impact the normal groundwater conditions prevailing in this part of the Southern Highlands and that if the project goes ahead it will seriously affect landowners' water bores in the area above the mine.
- In a recent poll by Galaxy Research it was found that only 18% of Wingecarribee Shire residents supported the coal mine.
- Hume Coal's plan to re-inject potentially toxic mine waste back into the mine would be a terrible mistake risking the pollution of groundwater in the aquifer above the mine for ever more.
- Under the NSW Mining Act, a proponent must be 'fit and proper' to hold a mining right. I understand that the parent company, POSCO, has an appalling international track record for corruption, environmental destruction and human rights abuse documented in India, Uzbekistan, South Korea, Vietnam and West Papua.
- The incredibly rich heritage of this part of the Southern Highlands will be destroyed if this project is allowed to proceed

I urge the Government to ensure an environmentally sustainable future for the Southern Highlands by rejecting this project.

Yours sincerely,

Elizabeth Donley

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I object to the Hume Coal Project and the Berrima Rail Project (SSD 15\_7171) and believe both should be rejected because:

- I was raised at "The Craggs", Clements Road, Mittagong and I have helped my father build a holiday house there and I attended numerous working bees removing invasive plants and maintaining a community owned property. It would be a shame if all this hard work left the property unsalable due to ground water contamination by mining as is happening on the other side of Mt Victoria, in Lithgow, where minning has decimated wetlands and has already seen a significant drop in quality farming land.
- Toxic mine waste water is a pollution risk to the local river system which is part of the Sydney drinking water catchment.
- Risks to groundwater are too great: the project will seriously affect at least 93 bores owned by 71 landowners, with some drawn down by up to 80 metres.
- An April 2017 Galaxy Research poll found support for the coal mine among Wingecarribee Shire residents is just 18%.
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- Rich heritage areas and farmland will be destroyed.
- The uncertainty caused by the prospect of a coal mine in the district has caused anxiety, depression and ill-health in the community.
- A new report by The Australia Institute found that Hume Coal's mine could damage the economy of the Southern Highlands.

I urge the Government to reject this project and protect the Southern Highlands, by supporting a vision for a sustainable and coal-free future for this region.

Yours sincerely,

Patrick Hromas

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You are sick political fools thinking you can run over the people

How dare you drive bulldozers & drills into private farming properties, residential areas etc almost in the heart of a wonderful town & expect to get away with it. Not to mention the air quality, transport, & water table desecration & rip offs

Water is worth more than gold . So is clean air. So are children & future generations.

Likewise the rest of the people etc etc you fools

I urge the Government to reject this project and protect the Southern Highlands, by supporting a vision for a sustainable and coal-free future for this region.

Get these bastard foreign companies back to where they came from if you have sense they are not in

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Australia's interests .

As if you didn't know whatever you say

Yours sincerely,

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When we lived in Canberra, this was a region that we absolutely loved to visit and spend time in.

This coal mine proposal is totally reprehensible.

The coal mining industry belongs in the industrial revolution period and should be relegated to ancient history books!

If Governments really care about future generations (including their own descendants) -

CREATE RENEWABLE ENERGY INDUSTRIES!!!

Think about the following:

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I urge the Government to reject this project and protect the Southern Highlands, by supporting a vision for a sustainable and coal-free future for this region.

Bearing the above mentioned facts in mind -

PLEASE TELL ME WHY THIS PROPOSAL HAS NOT BEEN COMPLETELY AND UTTERLY REJECTED!!!!!!

Yours with grave concern,

Paige Cockburn (Ms)

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I object to the Hume Coal Project and the Berrima Rail Project (SSD 15\_7171) and believe both should be rejected because:

I'm concerned the risk of damage to Sydney's water is too great. The company responsible for this critical safeguard has a

Deplorable track record of environmental and human rights violations. This gives us no confidence that they will work to protect our rights to clean water and air.

The air quality throughout the southern highlands and beyond will be negatively impacted by the coal mine creating ill health and extra burden on families and hospitals throughout the region.

Our government has a care of duty to its citizens and protecting clean water and air is of the utmost importance above cheap energy and profits.

I urge the Government to reject this project and protect the Southern Highlands, by supporting a vision for a sustainable and coal-free future for this region.

Yours sincerely,

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As a resident of the Wingecarribee Shire for over 15 years, I have raised my children here and worked locally for most of this time, I have not once heard a local support this proposal. One of the regions most valuable assets and best attractions is the beautiful pasture, amazing bush land, untouched rainforest of Robertson, vital water ways throughout the area and unique flora and fauna, to put these at risk would be unforgivable and given the track record of POSCO and other mines like this the risk is simply too high. No doubt any environmental damage would be detrimental or even irreversible. Tourism would suffer as well as the areas farmers and food producers big and small. The crops of every back yard farmer in the area of the mines and Rail line would likely be affected.

I urge the Government to reject this project and protect the Southern Highlands, by supporting a vision for a sustainable and coal-free future for this region.

Yours sincerely,

Elissa Thompson

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It is the right of every Australian to have pristine water to drink. We don't need coal, it's becoming obsolete as a fossil fuel. Green renewable energy is the way of the future!

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I object to the Hume Coal Project and the Berrima Rail Project (SSD 15\_7171) and believe both should be rejected for a number of important reasons:

Every acre of good farming land is worth one billion dollars at least when the element of Time is factored in to the equation.

Mining companies pay virtually no tax so what benefit is there to Australian citizens or to Australia as a nation?

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Yours sincerely,

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I urge the Government to reject this project and protect the Southern Highlands, by supporting a vision for a sustainable and coal-free future for this region.

I also urge the Government to protect our land and water. Once lost it is gone forever. Miners never rehabilitate the land properly and NSW's people are left with the environmental and financial cost of the clean-up.

Yours sincerely,

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I urge the Government to reject this project and protect the Southern Highlands, by supporting a vision for a sustainable and coal-free future for this region.

It would be madness to allow Hume Coal to mine for coal in the Southern Highlands. Why should so much be put at risk just to enrich an offshoot of POSCO that has already caused such environmental damage and human rights abuses in many countries.

Yours sincerely,

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I believe coal is a fuel of the past and polluting the land and water of this beautiful part of NSW would be environmentally and economically stupid. I also believe that too much productive farmland is being developed and that Australia's ability to feed its ever-growing population is being diminished.

I urge the Government to reject this project and protect the Southern Highlands, by supporting a vision for a sustainable and coal-free future for this region.

Yours sincerely,

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This project

will destroy the beauty of the area.

Money is not the only human need, the ugly impact on a beautiful area should also be considered when planning the future.

Besides which, let's remember that coal is yesterday's dirty energy source,

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It's appalling that Australia is so far behind in sustainable energy solutions when we have every reason to be world leaders and potential to boost our economy. Please protect our natural resources and communities from dirty coal mining.

Yours sincerely,

Marian Hewson

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My childhood was spent in southern NSW & although I understand that change happens I believe that any change that can have a negative future impact has to be avoided at all costs. As a society we have already caused environmental damage that at the time was unforeseen. But to approve such a project as this when we know that damage will be the outcome I find unconscionable.

I urge the Government to reject this project and protect the Southern Highlands, by supporting a vision for a sustainable and coal-free future for this region.

Yours sincerely,

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I urge the Government to reject this project and protect the Southern Highlands, by supporting a vision for a sustainable and coal-free future for this region.

This must be the tenth protest I've made this year for several different, NO BRAINER reasons. Reasons I believe in passionately, I cannot understand why we have to continually be begging politicians to see what is happening to this country because of greedy environmental vandals. As though there aren't enough coal mines in this country already, and there is no such thing as rehabilitation of the landscape.

Yours sincerely,

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. It is an utterly ridiculous waste of time, money, environment and amenity, when we all know that coal is fundamentally a dead industry that should have looked after itself by researching alternatives for itself decades ago.

. That the ignorance shown by politicians and short term thinkers will shame Australia in the future because of lost farmlands and lost tourist attractions and loss of income by not jumping on the renewable energy band wagon as early as possible.

. Now is the time to stop thinking short term greed and face up to the true implications of releasing toxins into the environment and damaging the climate of the earth and causing flooding, storms, famines and disease.

. Politicians cannot be that stupid. Every major controversial commitment like this should entail a full investigation and disclosure of all politicians vested interests and income sources and their parties.

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This project must be rejected by the Government and the Southern Highlands must be protected. The Government must support a sustainable and coal-free future.

Yours sincerely,

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It is the 21st century and so we should be using 21st century energy not 19th century energy that degrades the environment, puts peoples lives and livelihoods at risk and appears to only benefit the company and no-one else.

I urge the Government to reject this project and protect the Southern Highlands, by supporting a vision for a sustainable and coal-free future for this region.

Yours sincerely,

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Corruption and Greed are killing our future and the sustainability of healthy life in Australia.

Put money into renewable energies that don't threaten our soils, waters and lives of people and animals. This is CRIMINAL.

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In addition to the reasons listed below I strongly object to the Hume Coal Project because of the threat it poses to the local river system which I use for personal and professional outdoor education and recreation. The Wingecarribee River is a great river to paddle and is a river that I frequently swim in and paddle on with groups of young people. If this river becomes polluted it will be a huge loss to the natural environment, the local eco system, tourism and outdoor education. The risks to the river system are too great to allow this mine to continue.

If the rivers which feed into the Fitzroy Reservoir become polluted this could then pose a risk to Kangaroo Valley and Lake Yarrunga, which offers some of the best paddling in NSW. It will also seriously affect the quality of drinking water which forms part of the Sydney catchment.

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Yours sincerely,

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I strongly object to the Hume Coal Project and the Berrima Rail Project (SSD 15\_7171). In my opinion both should be rejected for several good reasons, namely adverse impacts on people, society, economy and water.

There is no social licence for it. We know that locals do not want this polluting project, which is so out of kilter with the landuse and values of the area. The 2017 Galaxy Research poll found support for the coal mine among Wingecarribee Shire residents is just 18%.

This is wise, as I well know from my research and from living in the Hunter, for coal dust and diesel emissions from coal trains pose a serious threat to human health.

Hume Coal's trains will add an extra 24 minutes of closures at rail level crossings every day. This creates unacceptable delays on emergency service response times. It became a serious issue in Upper Hunter towns like Scone.

The Highland's rich heritage areas and farmland will be destroyed; mining is inappropriate here. As Premier Keneally said when rejecting the Bickham mine at Scone, it is incompatible with existing rural landuse.

This is also supported by a new report by The Australia Institute, which found that Hume Coal's mine could damage the economy of the Southern Highlands. It never did and does not need a coal mine to progress; in fact a new coal mine is antipathetic to the very idea of progress, in this era of global warming fuelled largely by coal.

The long years of uncertainty caused by the prospect of this mine has caused anxiety, depression and ill-health in the community.

Toxic mine wastewater is an unacceptable pollution risk to the local river system, part of Sydney's drinking water catchment. The risks to groundwater are far too high, as the project will seriously impact at least 93 bores owned by 71 landowners, with some to be drawn down by up to 80 metres.

Hume's parent company, POSCO, has a dreadful international track record for corruption, environmental destruction and human rights abuse in India, Uzbekistan, South Korea, Vietnam and West Papua. Why should any community trust them to do the right thing here?

The government should not either.

I urge the Government to reject this project and protect the Southern Highlands. Instead please support their vision for a sustainable and coal-free future for this region. Posco have no place in that vision.

Yours sincerely,

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The beautiful Hunter Valley has been destroyed by coal mining. I don't want that to happen here. The environmental damage far outweighs any short term economic gain.

Yours sincerely,

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The mine creates far too much environmental and social damage to be considered an asset to the community. The long term costs far outweigh any temporary financial and employment benefits, apart from the global connotations of supporting ongoing fossil fuel pollution. It is time to change track and consider the future and the common good.

I urge the Government to reject this project and protect the Southern Highlands, by supporting a vision for a sustainable and coal-free future for this region.

Yours sincerely,

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I am appalled and devastated at the ongoing destruction of our beautiful country and especially our valuable farmlands, simply from greed. When will it stop? When all our land and water is poisoned? Are we to leave a wasteland to our children?

Yours sincerely,

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Many more adverse outcomes could be listed but I think thats plenty to realise the futility and lack of benefits from such an outmoded resource.

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Yours sincerely,

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This is a gorgeous, beautiful environment and should be enjoyed with the fear of Toxic mine waste water polluting local river systems -- part of the Sydney drinking water catchment!

And who needs dangerous coal dust and diesel emissions from coal trains posing a threat to human health.

As a cattle owner in the Hunter Valley, I have seen too much destruction and desecration of precious farm land already. We cannot allow this rich heritage area and farmland to be destroyed.

I urge the Government to reject this project and protect the Southern Highlands, by supporting a vision for a sustainable and coal-free future for this region.

Yours sincerely

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