

We object to the Glenellen Solar Farm as the application for this development neglects to identify our property as one of the 84 sensitive receivers, there may be others as well. We had been in communication with CWP via email, had spoken over the phone and face to face, since it was taken over by Trina we have not seen or heard from them. Trina claims they have been in contact with everyone posting newsletters using Australia post, where did they get the addresses from? Why did we not get anything as we have an address in Jindera and a post office box. Had the department of planning not written to us we would not know the current situation.

We purchased 3.363 hectares on Lindner Road with the intention of building a home for our family when finance allow. The property has a building envelope that is already defined and therefore that location should be included as a sensitive receiver in the EIS. Since the company has changed hands the proponent has not once consulted us or written to discuss the development. Our building site is slightly elevated and will have substantial views of ugly glaring solar panels and 2.5 metre chainmesh fencing if this development proceeds, please see the current view in the attached photo taken 25 November 2020. Our plans have been put on hold and should the development proceed we must consider our options and believe our land would be significantly devalued with limited sales potential.

Jindera has been a significant growth area for Greater Hume and the proposal may inhibit future growth. With impact to so many receivers plus the potential loss of future growth this development should be declined.

The proponent has confirmed that the land is mapped as important agricultural land and should have been constrained under the NSW Solar Guidelines. We are unsure how the current proposal could be considered constrained. This year on our 3.363 hectares we have unintentionally grown grasses that we have asked a contractor to cut and bale, that we plan to donate to those areas less fortunate. Surely this shows how fortunate we are in this area and that we are better using this land for crops and stock. I believe that in our local area land is selling for between \$4500 to over \$8000 an acre.

The surrounding land is bushfire prone and we are concerned that firefighting from the outside perimeter of the solar development will give our property an increased risk of fire along with the whole township of Jindera. Our property has in excess of 100 trees and therefore it is at an increased risk. The insurance issues regarding coverage towards a neighbouring solar development does not appear to have been resolved and this also increases our risk.

The EIS refers to vegetation screening but we have been unable to determine what if any of this vegetation screening consists of, and are concerned that without a description these could be mere planting of immature shrubs and trees that may take 15-20 years to grow or be effective, which is almost the term of the development. This development will not maintain the rural landscape character of the land.

There will be a large environmental impact with the removal of 81 paddock trees and 11.4 hectares of native vegetation which will affect the habitat of numerous species of wildlife. We think the EIS downplays the quantity of trees, we have over 100 trees on 3.363 hectares it is hard to fathom that only 81 trees are to be removed from 332 hectares, and vegetation being removed and the subsequent impact that we will see.

We have concerns relating to impact of the many waterways that traverse this property and how drainage will be affected, we have also heard this concern from others. Our block is the shape that it is due to a waterway.

There will be traffic issues with an increased number of vehicles on Lindner, Ortlipp and other local roads. Lindner and Ortlipp Roads are both dirt and dust which will impact all people on those streets. We are worried about increased traffic and question whether sufficient water would be available for dust mitigation through construction and operation.

We have visited the Coleambally Solar development and heard the constant hum of inverters that may also impact surrounding neighbours.

This area is predominantly agricultural, resulting in our concern that the timing of this process may impact the ability for the numerous receptors to make submissions(harvesting). We would like to bring to the attention of the department the strong community anxiety. It is dividing a community.

What we have not found in the EIS is the glare being addressed, not just the glare from the panels themselves but the posts and all the other components. We have heard other solar companies say that solar panels can't be an issue as they are at airports and alike. The solar panels at an airport are not up and down the runways. They have had to be strategically placed to prevent glare to pilots and air traffic control.

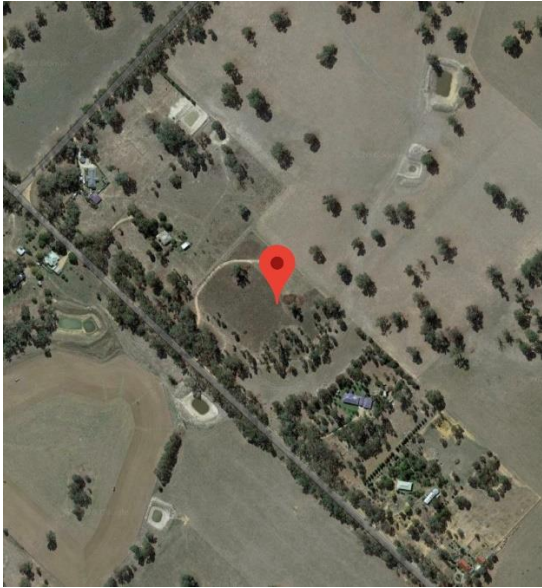
Trina solar is a Chinese owned company, other than lining the pockets of the proponent the rest of the money made will leave our shores. Given the actions of the Chinese government towards Australia in recent months up until this week, why are we allowing China to take over our farmland? Do we really want to not only sell our water to the Chinese but now our farmland and we are doing this at whose cost? Mine and our future generations....

In paperwork that came from CWP they claimed that the site was situated 3.5 km from Jindera, how can this be as our property is under 2 kms from Jindera. We fear if you are going to stretch the truth or lie about the small stuff, how can we trust them on anything else. It is quite disappointing when looking through the EIS, a photo of Urana road has been used, the source was from google street view dated 2011. This is nearly 10 years old. A lot has changed in 10 years everywhere. What is the point in using 10 year old photo's?? Has Trina Solar actually been to Jindera? Another photo has been used, labelling it as a 'typical view of flat rural landscape', the GSF's property has water ways so how can this be? If Trina are going to use 10 year old photos what other information is out dated.

We question that when the Solar plant has come to its end of use, who is going to take responsibly to bring the land back to its original state and removing all underground equipment Trina Solar or GSF. What guarantees are in place? What studies have been done to show that the land is in the same condition and not degraded after all has been removed?

One of the partners to the Jindera Solar farms told us a few years ago "I will tell you when to sell your property." At the time we had no idea what he was talking about. As stated earlier we purchased the block of land as we wished to build our family home, we have never had any intentions of selling as it was not an investment property. We also have morals and could not knowingly put someone else in this position, as we are aware it comes down to 'let buyer beware'. Now we know why, he knows what he and others are doing is not right...

Our block of land.



View from the back of our house to be, this is showing the proposed site of the solar panels.

