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Department of Planning and Environment

Re: Valley of the Winds Wind Farm

State Significant Development Application No. SSD-10461

I am writing to object to the proposed Valley of the Winds wind farm as currently described in the Environment Impact Statement (EIS).

I am very familiar with the proposed project area given I have clients of my business adjoining or in the near vicinity of the proposed Girragulang cluster of turbines, both along Tongy Lane and along Black Stump Way.

The key reasons I object include:

- The high visual impact the project will have on the scenic area, given the number of turbines and proposed 250 meter height. Not enough photo montages have been done in the EIS for the public to properly assess the visual impact on local properties and on the township of Coolah
- The noise which will be emitted from the proposed turbines, which the EIS does declare will impact various non-associated landowners.
- No information in the EIS showing how the project will connect into the transmission grid. Lack of such information layers on a high level of anxiety for non-associated property owners.
- When this project is combined with the Liverpool Range wind farm, would result in over 350 wind turbines, each up to 250 metres in height, surrounding the township of Coolah – which is way too many for any one district and particular the Coolah district which has one of the highest scenic values due to it highly attractive rural setting in NSW. The EIS does not consider any impact to scenic value, but rather simplifies scenic impact to views from dwellings.

I reserve my right to make further submissions as may be required.

Yours sincerely,

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