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I Karen Hanel do declare that I have not made any political donations in the past 5 years.

I would like to state my objections to the Walla Walla Solar farm SSD=9874 for the following reasons

- I don't believe that this development should be considered before the draft Riverina Murray Important Agricultural Land Mapping has been released as I know that a lot of farms have put in submissions to get this map updated & as such their land could fall into this category. We need to protect agricultural land.
- This solar development will greatly affect a local tourism business that has spent a lot of time in building up their wedding/functions reception centre as well as their eco cabins. This locally run business already hires local people to work as well as giving other businesses work in the way of photographers, bus companies, florist, cleaners & the list goes on. The proposed solar development has already hurt this business & I find that so wrong in so many ways.
- The proposed substation is to close to near neighbours and needs to be relocated
- The emotional stress this development has caused on all the close neighbours & the supporters of this development due to the way consultations have been conducted. Not to mention the conflict of neighbours & friends brought about by this development.
- The fact that this is foreign based & already it's changed hands from one foreign company to another.

So in conclusion I'm not against renewables just strongly disagree with this development been placed in this area there are more arid areas that these Solar farms can be placed with less near neighbours.

Also the proposed Culcairn Solar Farm is not far away I don't understand why these developments have to be clustered so closely together.