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Dear PAC,

I urge you in the strongest terms to refuse consent to the Warkworth Continuation Project.

This second review is an opportunity to correct the mistake made by the first review in recommending approval of the Warkworth Continuation Project.

The proposed repeal of clause 12AA of the State Environmental Planning Policy for Mining utterly changes this project. If economics are no longer the “principle consideration” then the weighing of impacts against benefits changes and the mine should be refused development consent.

This mine will, according to the NSW Office of Environment and Heritage “increase the risk of extinction of the Warkworth Sands Woodland” – an endangered ecological community unique to the Hunter Valley.

The mine will make life in the village of Bulga intolerable, dramatically harming its social fabric and cohesion.

With proper balance between economic, environmental and social concerns restored, the economic benefits are outweighed by the mine’s environmental and social impacts and development consent should be refused.

Thanks and regards

Diane Salter