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To whom it may concern
re: SSD 8169, North Byron Parklands Cultural Events Site

I am totally against increasing the number of events or size of any event at this location.
My chief reasons for this are as follows:

The site is surrounded by sensitive vegetation and habitat, i.e. the koala which is facing extinction on the North Coast, while the surrounding environment is not equipped to withstand constant people pressure. This region of NSW should not be under such threats of exploitation by overseas and interstate interests and visitors.

Byron Shire's infrastructure is hopelessly inadequate for its own residents, let alone coping with a major increase in visitor numbers. The two local Councils involved should grant permission for any event, as they are intrinsically involved. And the residents of these council areas are also emotionally involved.

It seems the events have interest to a certain demographic, but perhaps it makes more sense from an ecological point of view to keep the numbers small and the events more exclusive.

I am not in favour of increasing the number of events, or allowing more impact on a sensitive site by increasing the overall number of festival-goers.

Thank you for this opportunity to present my point of view.

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