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Cumulative impact - not just for the immediate community by the whole area. **No apparent Cumulative Impact Assessment has been completed**. The CWO REZ is getting more complex almost daily with extensions of the transmission line to Tooraweenah and Burrendong to facilitate even more projects. There will obviously be multiple projects across the area over a longer timeframe. Where is the cumulative impact assessment for the CWO REZ?

Impacts on emergency services: We have a truly dedicated & wonderful team of emergency workers in Coolah. They are all under staffed & stretched to the absolute limit. We have 1 Doctor, 2 Ambulances and a very dedicated team of volunteers that man our emergency service. We have a very small hospital that is staffed by some of the most amazing people I have ever met. We as a community care about our medical staff & emergency workers, we cannot stretch their services any more. With this many workers that they are proposing coming to town where does this our many elderly people in the area that need our medical services. In fact, where does it leave our medical services. The nearest medical services outside of Coolah are at least an hour & a half drive. This makes seeking medical services for some out of the area impossible,

We also need to look at other social services in the area. Unfortunately, there are very little. We have 2 hotels & 1 sporting club in town. Generally, people like to go out on a Friday & Saturday night to relax & unwind for their days off. Where are they going to go?

I am sure that one Friday or Saturday night there is going to be a mix of both farmers & wind factory workers in town which could lead to trouble. After all everyone has an opinion. Remember there are only 3 places to go. You may tell us that the workforce will not be allowed in town in tradie clothes & this should help the problems. You forget that Coolah has a population in town of about 700 people. This is not counting people who live out of town. Everyone here knows everyone else. People will know immediately if you are from Coolah or not. This leads to the very important issue of crime, general behaviour, traffic noise & pollution. WE HAVE NO POLICE OFFICE IN COOLAH.

What are the wind factories going to do about this.

What is being done about removal of human waste, medical waste & general waste from these sites. We have nowhere to facilitate this in our community.

One of the things that I particularly love about living in Coolah is the quietness. You can

Go out into your yard in the evening & hear nothing. Do you know how lovely & peaceful this is. No noise, no background noise, nothing. To quote a very famous Aussie movie

"At the serenity". Please do not take this away from us. I can only imagine the noise that will come from construction, road noises, traffic movements, people noise & noise in general. As I have stated before I love the quietness of this town, I am truly concerned about this aspect

What is being done to address this issue whilst these wind factories are under construction.

After this are we going to be left with noisy wind turbines, after all they are proposing hundreds of the largest wind turbines in the country to be built here.

Visual impacts of the community are going to be vast. We have this beautiful farm land rolling hills, Coolah Tops national park, amazing night skies that are real tourist attractions in this area, these continuously flashing lights of these hundred of proposed turbines ARE NOT PART OF THE PLAN. WE DO NOT WANT THEM HERE. The visual impacts will be appalling in this area.

Home values impacts - reportedly Coolah house values dropped by between 11.7% last year, some reports of 16% drop in sales. Where does this leave the residence of Coolah who have live here all their lives, & also where does it leave not only the long-time residence, also new people who wish to move to the area. Are there homes now worth nothing. Not that will be many new people if this goes ahead. I read an article the other day which stated that Coolah was the slowest growing part of NSW & properties here have lost the most value in NSW. I wonder why this is happening.

Whilst about housing, I know of about 3 families who have been evicted from there homes & cannot find anywhere to live. Yet the Coolah District Development Group received an email last week from one of the wind factory companies asking if there was any accommodation for 80 people for six months to build the accommodation. I think this really tell you how unbelievably out of touch with the area these wind factory companies are. They seemingly have no idea.

We would also like to know what is being done about traffic issues in the area, AGAIN WE HAVE NO POLICE OFFICER IN TOWN. We also again have a very elderly population who rely on the cars to get about. How this is going to affect all the residents of Coolah. The roads are bad enough as it is.

Yesterday my husband & I were driving along Moorefield Road just out of town behind 4 great big gas guzzling cars that were going to inspect where the workers camp is be. Thought ACEN was supposed to be green, is this not what this is supposed to be about.

Speaking of ACEN I would like to with you some of our experiences with the staff from ACEN. Firstly their supposed consultation shop front is never open, secondly, I find them go be rude, aggressive & overbearing. WE personally had our café black banned by ACEN because we were honest with them & told them we did not agree with the wind factories. I don't think any one from Coolah would miss ACEN if they never come back.