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Independent Planning Commission NSW
Level 3, 201 Elizabeth Street
SYDNEY NSW 2001

Via email only to ipcn@ipcn.nsw.gov.au

Dear Sir/Madam,

Submission regarding the invitation for public comment on Bylong Coal Project, north-east of Mudgee, New South Wales (Bylong Coal Project D532-18 - Bylong Coal Project SSD 14_6367)

We *attach* our joint submission as a slideshow as well as a video at <https://youtu.be/l-TN0g1TmMM>

We thank you for the opportunity to make further comment regarding this project.

Yours sincerely,

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A wide landscape of a green field with trees and a white van under a blue sky. The scene is captured in a wide-angle shot, showing a vast green field in the foreground. In the middle ground, there is a line of trees, including several large, mature trees. A white van is parked on the right side of the field. The sky is a clear, bright blue. The overall atmosphere is peaceful and open.

A Better Vision for Bylong

[Watch the short film on Youtube: A Better Vision for Bylong](#)



Beautiful Bylong Valley

An aerial photograph of a mountain ridge covered in dense green forest. Several large, light-colored rock outcrops are visible, particularly on the right side and along the ridge. The forest is thick and appears to be a mix of tree species. The lighting suggests it might be late afternoon or early morning, with some shadows cast across the terrain.

holds the secret...



to rehydrating the Australian landscape



and Tarwyn Park is the key.

A vertical sign with a black border and a light-colored background. The sign is mounted on a dark post. The text on the sign is in a serif font. The background shows a green field, trees, and a building in the distance under a blue sky with clouds.

VILLAGE
OF
BYLONG

But beautiful Bylong Valley

ALTITUDE 25 METRES

A landscape photograph showing a rural scene. In the foreground, a black metal fence runs across the frame. Behind it is a green field. In the middle ground, a larger, dry, brownish field contains a herd of dark-colored cows. The background is dominated by a large, rounded hill covered in dense green forest. The sky is overcast and grey. A white text box is overlaid at the bottom left.

is in big trouble...



A Korean energy company

A blurred train of brown freight cars is moving across a railroad crossing. The crossing has a white X-shaped sign and a signal with two red lights. The background shows a hazy, overcast sky and some trees in the distance.

wants to turn Bylong Valley

into a coal mine.

A landscape photograph showing a valley with a forested mountain range in the background. The sky is filled with large, white, fluffy clouds, and the foreground is a green field. The text "Imagine... a better vision for Bylong Valley." is overlaid on the image in a white box.

Imagine... a better vision for Bylong Valley.

A photograph of a stone building with a covered walkway. The walkway is supported by several thick, square stone pillars. The building's exterior is made of light-colored, textured stone blocks. A window with a white frame is visible on the right side of the building. The walkway leads to a view of a lush green landscape with trees and a hillside in the background. The sky is overcast.

**Tarwyn Park as a centre for
Restorative Agriculture.**



Students, researchers and practitioners

visiting from around the world.

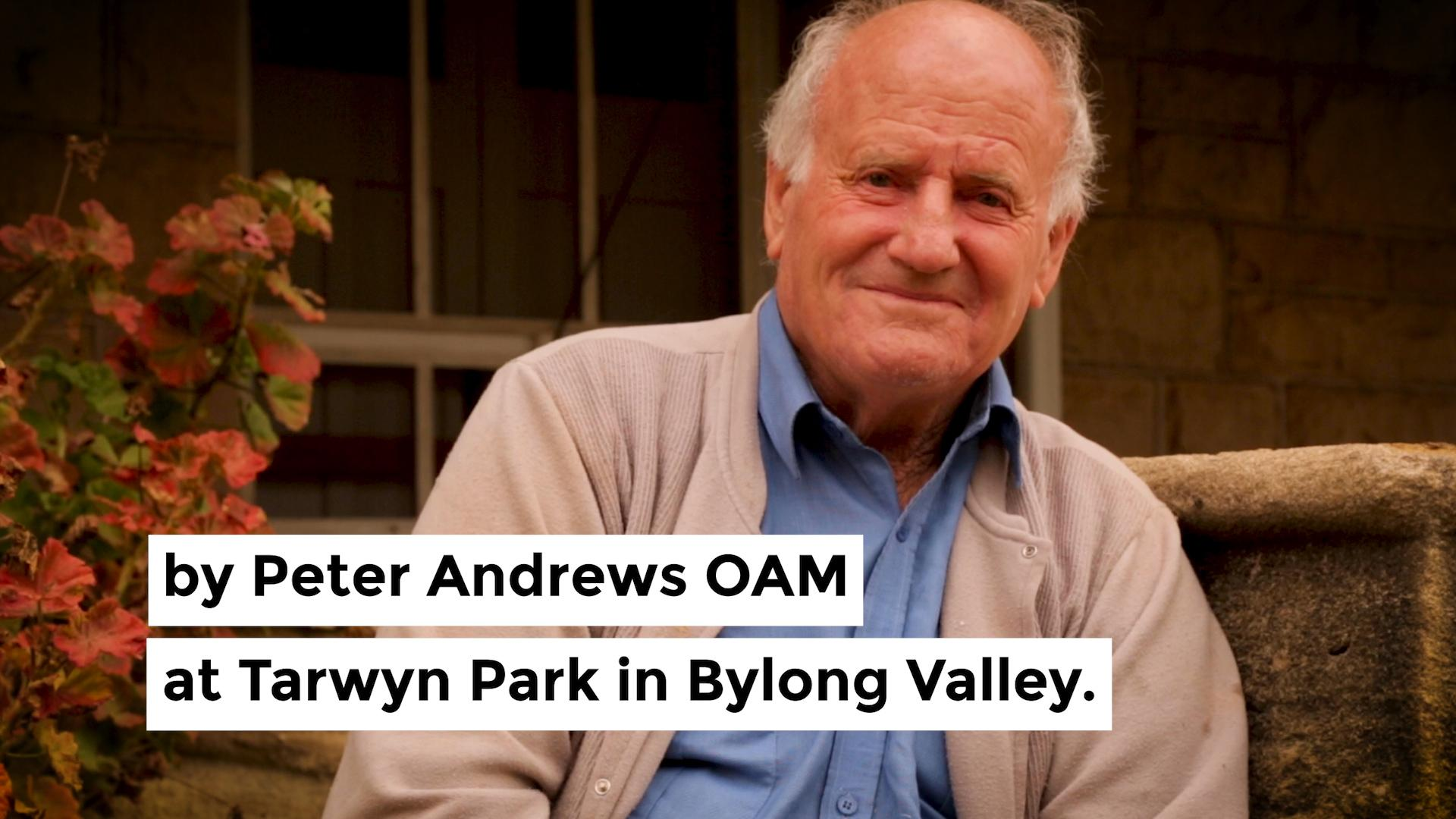
A photograph of a town square. In the foreground, a banner for the 'MUDGEE FARMERS MARKET' is visible. In the background, there is a prominent brick clock tower and a large Gothic-style church with a tall steeple. The scene is set under a clear blue sky with some bare trees, suggesting a cool season. A few cars are parked or driving in the square.

MUDGEE
FARMERS MARKET

**Thousands of jobs
and export opportunities
for Mudgee and beyond.**



Natural Sequence Farming
was developed and tested



by Peter Andrews OAM

at Tarwyn Park in Bylong Valley.



Peter has proven that

the Australian landscape

contains the blueprint we need



**to restore biodiversity
and farm productivity.**

A photograph of a stream flowing over large, light-colored rocks. The water is dark and turbulent, creating white foam as it cascades. The surrounding area is covered in dark, wet earth and patches of green moss. The text is overlaid on the lower half of the image.

The UN has recognised

Natural Sequence Farming



as 1 of only 5 methods

of sustainable agriculture

in the world

A photograph of a pond or stream with lily pads and reeds. The water is calm, reflecting the sky and surrounding greenery. There are ripples in the water in the center. The text is overlaid on the lower half of the image.

and is about to declare

the next 10 years...

"The Decade of Landscape Restoration".

A group of men are standing outdoors in a field. The man in the center is wearing a dark suit, a white shirt, and a red tie, and is wearing glasses. He is looking towards the right and has his hand raised as if speaking. To his left, another man in a dark jacket and checkered shirt is looking down. To his right, a man in a plaid shirt is looking at him. In the foreground on the right, the arm and shoulder of a man in a white shirt are visible. The background shows green trees under a cloudy sky.

**The Australian Government
has said Natural Sequence Farming**

A photograph of Scott Morrison, the Australian Prime Minister, wearing a dark suit, white shirt, and red tie, pointing his right hand towards a group of people. He is wearing glasses and looking upwards. To his right, an older man in a plaid shirt is looking towards the group. The background shows trees and a cloudy sky.

**"needs to be replicated
right around our nation".**

A group of men are gathered outdoors in a rural setting. One man on the right is speaking at a wooden podium. The other men are listening attentively. The background shows a grassy field and trees under an overcast sky.

**They have put aside
five billion dollars
to drought-proof Australia.**

An elderly man with white hair, wearing a light blue button-down shirt and blue jeans, is sitting on a log in a natural, wooded setting. He is smiling and looking towards the camera. The background consists of dense green trees and foliage under a clear blue sky. The scene is brightly lit, suggesting a sunny day.

Peter Andrews is ready to go.



Tarwyn Park is ready to go.

An aerial photograph of a lush green valley. A river flows through the center, surrounded by dense vegetation and trees. A dirt road winds through the upper right portion of the valley, with two cars parked on it. Numerous red markers are scattered across the grassy areas on either side of the river. The overall scene is vibrant and natural.

Millions of people

have been inspired

by the Australian Story.



**Now, we ask the NSW Government
to reject the Bylong Coal Project**

An aerial photograph of a vast, green landscape. The foreground and middle ground are dominated by rolling hills and fields, some of which are divided into smaller plots by fences or roads. The vegetation is a mix of bright green and golden-yellow, suggesting a rural or agricultural area. In the background, there are darker, more densely forested hills. The lighting is bright, creating long shadows and highlighting the textures of the land.

so we can move forward

with a better vision for Bylong.



You can make a big difference.



THE BEST
STORE IN
TOWN

Share this story.

A wide landscape of a green field under a blue sky. In the distance, there is a line of trees and a white caravan. The text "Support a better vision for Bylong." is overlaid on a white banner in the center.

Support a better vision for Bylong.

WE ACKNOWLEDGE THE WIRADJURI NATION, ELDERS PAST, PRESENT AND FUTURE, THE TRADITIONAL OWNERS OF BYLONG VALLEY.