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Submission RE SSD 8169 North Parklands Events Site

Dear Planning Person,

I object to any further expansion of the North Byron Parklands events. The damages to the environment, the inadequate human waste disposal, the fact that the rightful traditional owners for this land were not consulted and do not approve of their sacred site being used for festivals, and the disruption to those residents, rate payers like myself is NOT WORTH the economic benefits.

I recently attended a small, two-day festival called Healing Fields at the end of November 2018. At the beginning of the first day of the festival when I used the 'state of the art' composting toilet block, I was met with the most horrendous horrifying smell. I did not use the public toilets again throughout that weekend. My fear is that on this site, which is a flood plain, where is all the human refuse going to flow to? I live on the Cornucopia Canal, which is just down stream from this Yelgun site. At the last planning committee meeting at Ocean Shores the mayor of Byron Shire said that Byron Shire Council would not accept any human waste from the site. The Byron Council's sewerage is at maximum capacity. Cannot take the waste of 50,000 plus people from festivals.

It's insane that our community (the shire of Byron) of around 25,000 people have to cope with the huge numbers of people coming to these two festivals especially if you allow 50,000. And that our local Byron Council has no say in managing the festivals. That is wrong. Please allow Byron council to have control in the managing of the festival site. Its also insane that our small shire has another permanent festival site at Tyagarah, which hosts the Bluesfest. Why not move the festivals there, much more suitable for festivals without interfering with the important wildlife corridor of the Yelgun site.

These events only produce a few permanent positions, the rest are casual and only last the length of the events. The two major festivals are majority owned by Live Nation, a US company that is under investigation by the Dept of Justice for serious violation of anti-trust laws. Sad that most of the profits go off shore.

There are so many reasons to not allow the expansion of these festivals. Please do not allow the 50,000 patron increase and do not allow the permanent approval for the festival site without the proper due diligence required to get approval from the traditional indigenous owners of the site and to address all the health and safety of the patrons as outlined by the police reports.

Thanks for reading my submission and please help restore my faith in government to do the right thing not just for financial gain of a few and especially the overseas owner, Live Nation.

I care greatly about this issue.

Thanks for reading,

Bronte Field