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Date: 10 July 2024 2:09:03 pm AEST

To: Robyn Kightly

Hi,

My name is George Kightly, and I reside at Bowling Alley Point.

I will see Turbines and night lights from the proposed Wind Farm SSD 9679 and I will be impacted with construction during and after the build. I oppose this development, I do not consider it to be viable. It has never been,

since conception.

One example is that turbine 28 has been reinstated, it contains 1.5 Ha of ribbon gum, mountain gum and snow gum, all endangered habitat for koala, barking owl and the large eared pied bat, this one point among many riles me more than anything else.

Potential sedimentation to three river systems (Isis, Barnard and Peel) has still not been addressed. Heavy soil erosion on the steep and unstable ridge-line will occur, compromising water security to Tamworth's water supply, the Chaffey Dam. Sediment control will not work in the steep terrain with unpredictable heavy rainfall always a threat. Will Engie factor dredging the Chaffey Dam after construction to maintain its storage capabilities?

There should be NO turbines anywhere near Ben Halls Gap Nature Reserve or the Crawney National Park, this alone should rule the project out of contention. If anything a wildlife corridor should run between these two parks not turbines and roads.

There is no public benefit to this project which sits marginally viable at best. There are still no detailed plans for internal roads on this difficult ridge line, the logistics are still being worked out. This is just not good enough for a project that hovers on the cusp of approval.

One last observation is the community has been segmented and unease and disharmony are rife, none of this is taken into account by the proponents or project approvers. I fail to see in the pages and pages of technical information no mention of what is actually going on in our community. A project of this scale and in this location should never have been considered by proponents, environment

planning companies and government planning committees and departments.

A large majority of this town do not want this project on their doorstep, only a few wealthy land and business owners with their families will benefit from it.

These turbines are much better suited in a much less populous area, with less impact to biodiversity, serious water issues and community disharmony.

A pragmatic solution must be found in the approval of large industrial projects such as this, find a location that complies with technical requirements and minimises disruption to the environment and the humans which live near it.

The Hills Of Gold Wind Farm doesn't satisfy this criteria.

Yours sincerely, George Kightly - Local Landowner

Kightly Clan