

13th July, 2024

Independent Planning Commission
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Dear Sir/Madam,

Re: Hills of Gold Wind Farm (SDD-9679) Public Comment

I wish to object to the re instatement of 15 turbines by the NSW department of Planning for the Hills of Gold Wind Farm. This project has been causing great mental distress in the Nundle and Hanging Roack Communities for over six years and the proponent's behaviour especially in the past 18 months has certainly not shown they are a "model proponent" a criteria discussed by Andrew Dyer the previous Wind Commissioner in his review presented to the Federal Government.

The re instatement of turbines 53-63 takes away property rights of non-associated landholders as well as having significant visual impact on our dwelling, approved DAs and our family's whole working environment Wombramurra Station 504 Head of Peel Road. This will set a precedent for all renewable energy projects and should not be allowed.

Many of the turbines are located on very steep gradients and difficult terrain and the economic costs of construction may increase significantly due to micro siting, soil types, erosion control and weather conditions. The project is clearly not economically viable compared to other renewable project already in the approval or construction phase. This project is also not in a REZ.

Turbines should not be allowed within 500m of a Nature Reserve, and we should not risk the long term safety of the critically endangered Sphagnum Moss ecosystem located in the Ben Halls Nature Reserve. These turbines can not be micro sited and should be removed.

The project should be refused by the Independent Planning Commission.

Yours sincerely

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