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OBJECT

Submission No: 178823

Organisation:		Key issues: <i>Land use compatibility, Visual impact, Traffic and transport, Social impacts, Temporary accommodation, Other issues</i>
Location: <i>New South Wales 2844</i>		
Submitter Type: <i>I am a member of the community with a view about the proposed development</i>		
Attachment: <i>Anne Bowman Submission</i>		

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My objection is attached.

Birriwa Solar Factory Submission AFB

The Mayor of the Warrumbungle Shire spoke at the IPC Hearing in Dunedoo on 5th June 2024 and requested “to defer determination of the Birriwa Solar project until such time as the cumulative impacts of more than 40 large scale wind, solar and transmission projects across and adjacent to the Central West Orana REZ are adequately identified and the environmental, social and economic costs are properly compensated”.

I agree with this statement whole heartedly.

There is so much misinformation in this report. One is re Bushfires. It is stated that the Birriwa Solar Factory is not in a bushfire prone area. In my life time there have been three major fires within 50 kms of the location and the one in 1979 would have burnt the whole factory. The Sir Ivan Fire could have easily burnt the same location with a change of wind.

How can people who do not know an area decide that there will be no effects on individuals or the whole community – humans, land, flora and fauna?

This is not green, cost effective energy when all the construction and devastation to land and trees is taken into account.

Why is it acceptable for Acen, EnergyCo and all the proponents in the CWOREZ to threaten our homes, livelihoods, community and way of life every day but when anyone tries to communicate this, it is an unacceptable threat?

From the Acen website “We believe in a more sustainable, inclusive and resilient world where we all have access to affordable renewable energy”.

From our farming background “we believe in a more sustainable, inclusive, resilient and peaceful community where we all have access to affordable locally grown food and fibre”.

Why is visual amenity for travellers on the Castlereagh and Golden Highway’s more important than the local community? 4.7m solar panels is not low lying. How quickly will the screening grow?

I strongly object to The Birriwa Solar Factory and urge the IPC Commissioners not to grant consent.