



JOY BEAMES

OBJECT

Submission No: 179159

Organisation:		
Location: <i>New South Wales 2844</i>		
Submitter Type: <i>I am a member of the local community who would be particularly and directly affected by the proposed development</i>	Key issues:	<i>Land use compatibility, Visual impact, Traffic and transport, Social impacts</i>
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This project has received numerous substantial objections from all sectors of the community including Warrumbungle Shire Council which highlighted the very significant concerns about the impact of renewable energy projects in the area.

My specific concerns are

1. environmental impacts

- upgrading the roads around the area needs to be carefully thought through particularly along the Talbragar River flood plain to prevent irreversible damage

- construction will require equipment to traverse not only local roads but on property currently used for farming purposes. What impact will this have on soil, vegetation and the farmer's ability to operate efficiently?

2. The visual impact for me is a major problem. A wide range of views from my property will be affected by vision of this development. This makes me question whether it will affect the value of my property in the future - it certainly won't enhance it.

3. The Golden Highway is already busy enough but if this project goes ahead the increase in traffic will be very significant. Heavy vehicles as well as workers travelling on the highway and local roads will create damage to the already strained road surfaces as well as the potential for accidents.

4. Socially I can't see any advantages of this project for the community. Health facilities are already inadequate so to put many extra people into the region will put everything under strain.

The magnitude and scope of renewable projects in the Central West Orana REZ is of concern to many and it would be of immeasurable value to halt this project until the cumulative environmental, social, visual impacts, landholder impacts are fully evaluated and addressed.

One point that was raised when approval was given to this project is that it is only a small percentage of agricultural land that will be affected. This is true but each project takes another and another small percentage which has a significant impact when combined.

Please consider the real impact this project will have on our local community.