

| NAME REDACTED | | OBJECT | Submission No: 175556 |
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| Organisation: | | | |
| Location: | New South Wales 2852 | | |
| Submitter Type: | I am a member of the local community who would be particularly and directly affected by the proposed development | Key issues: | Land use compatibility,Visual impact,Traffic and transport,Social impacts,Temporary accommodation |
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I wish to object to the approval of the Birriwa Solar Project. I live within 8 to 10 km form the proposed development sight and have grave concerns about the lack of planning or thought put into this project.

Fire concerns : A heightened risk of fire from the project and the lack of preparation and planning in combatting a fire when it occurs. No clear direction from the developers as to what their plans regarding fire control and prevention. Seems to be relying on RFS. Also danger to surrounding people from toxic fumes from burning panels/ batteries during a fire.

Reduction of prime agricultural land: the loss of productive agricultural land in the community will have noticeable effects on the local area and contributes to the national reduction of food, fiber production in the state.

Inadequate infrastructure: The roads, sewerage systems, water supplies are not substantial enough to support the traffic, waste removal, and water required for the project to proceed without causing problems for already overstretched systems in place, thus disadvantaging the local community.

The companies developing these project are overseas owned, money going out of our country, and the batteries and panels are not produced in Australia.

The massive waste generated from the batteries and panels at the end of their life is contributing to toxic landfill and waste, NOT GREEN, and there has been no direct answer from anyone I have asked representing the developers as to what happens to this waste. Where and how is it disposed of safely.

The devaluation of surrounding properties.

The destruction of natural habitat to native animal and the clearing of trees, Not green.

The stress caused to landholders affected by the whole renewable energy push, It should not come at the cost of peoples livelihoods, mental health, property values, and generally working to destroy communities rather than help them.

All green energy be it wind or solar, is not going to be sufficient to replace the existing energy supply systems, they are all going to have to be propped up by some sort of fossil fuel usage be it gas or generators. It is not the answer.