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Objection to the proposed Wallaroo solar farm at the border with ACT

Sorry for my late submission. This proposed development that greatly affects residents in ACT living close to the border with NSW was not widely published and many residents were not aware of it until recently. We didn't know about the meeting held in Murrumbateman until it was over.

My main objection is that if a solar farm is not allowed to be built within 5km to suburbs or towns in NSW, why is this proposal wanting to build a huge solar farm all the way to the invisible border with ACT which is within less than 1km to the big population of residents in ACT? Also, I understand that the entry to this proposed plot is from Barton Highway in ACT, which is already a congested area of the highway.

Any proposal of such solar farm in NSW should be at least 5km away from the invisible border with ACT, and with access from NSW, not ACT, so that it does not affect residents of ACT. I wonder how could such proposal which greatly affect ACT residents has existed in the past 5 years went "unnoticed" and without the knowledge of so many ACT residents, living near the border with NSW, who are forever fearful of the risk of bush fires.

Also, we have elderly and young residents using the footpaths near the border to exercise and relax, and we have native animals and birds using the ponds and in the bush near the border of the bush capital. I have learnt that research has found that solar farms can cause temperatures to fluctuate locally by a few degrees because energy that is not absorbed to become electricity is radiated by the pane to the surrounding area. ACT residents don't want these undesired environmental changes in their backyard.

Please do not allow this proposal to go ahead. Thank you for your kind considerations.