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OBJECT

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*I object to the Spicers Creek Wind Farm for the following reasons:*

*How will the proponent get so many OSOM loads along the Golden Hwy? The Golden hwy is already a very busy road carrying many goods from the west of the state to the port at Newcastle, there is very few places to overtake and no places for the very long vehicles and their many escorts to pull off the road to either rest or let those behind pass. How will these OSOM vehicles get through both Merriwa and Dunedoo? They will have to go through the main shopping centres of both towns, when you take into account all the other projects being constructed in the CWO REZ at the same time as Spicers Creek that is a lot of extra traffic movements in each town every day! Our roads are already in a very bad state of repair and can not handle all this extra traffic!*

*I shudder to think about the big old trees that will have to be removed to complete this project. Firstly to get the massive OSOM vehicles and their loads to the location(widening roads and building new ones), then in the area of each turbine location. Even if trees are planted to replace those removed, it takes many decades and care to get trees big enough for habitat and a century for them to have hollows for breeding. It seems criminal to be removing over 250ha of native vegetation, including Box Gum Woodland, where over 40 threatened fauna species call home.*

*The many projects in the CWO REZ are tearing our once tight community apart and pitting neighbour against neighbour. Our communities can not survive like this and I believe that the proponent is using monetary incentives to gain acceptance into the community and to tear "us" apart.*

*As Warrumbungle Councillor Hogden stated at the IPCn meeting, this project needs to be put on hold until the cumulative impacts are assessed for the WHOLE REZ!*

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