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**OBJECT**

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Organisation: N/A	Key issues: <i>Social impacts, Visual impacts, design and landscaping, Land use compatibility (surrounding land uses), Traffic, Other issues</i>
Location: New South Wales 2577	
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*This development can not go ahead on this site. There is nothing about the site that is suitable for the purpose and if anyone from the IPC actually bothered to come down and visit the site, they would immediately see why it's the wrong site for this purpose. The local community will be deeply impacted by the attendant pollution, traffic and social impacts. The environmental impacts spread well beyond the site, Moss Vale and the greater shire, primarily because of waterways and their ability to carry microplastics well beyond the site boundary. Our water and your water will be affected permanently. None of the roads in the shire can cope with the amount of heavy vehicle traffic proposed by the development. None of them. All of the roads in the shire are in poor condition with soft surfaces and edges, much pot-holed and generally falling apart. This is unlikely to change as neither Council, the NSW Government or the proponent have committed funds to rectify this. There is a general lack of infrastructure in the shire to support a use of this type. Emergency services are scant and slow and would be completely unable to cope with any major emergency, of any type, at the facility. The proposal does not even provide much employment for the shire. Out of 140 employees (not much to start with) all of the management and higher technical positions are to be filled by overseas FIFO workers. In the end, it will provide a few dozen positions for forklift operators and truck drivers. None of the profits from this proposal will go back into the community. They will all go to a foreign company. So there is no economic benefit to the shire from it either. The proposed use also has no real longevity. Plastics recycling is a furphy. Plastic can only be repurposed once, and then it must be disposed of again, creating all the problems it did earlier, but with added carbon and environmental footprint of the "recycling" process. It's just shifting plastic around temporarily, and there are much less environmentally and socially damaging ways to do that. There is not one thing about this proposal that will benefit our community but if it is approved, we will be paying the price for generations. There are also significant, well-documented health impacts from the kinds of emissions this facility will release into our community. Are you prepared for the cost of that?*