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I write this short submission on behalf of the North Coast Environment Council Inc.

We are the peak regional conservation group, representing dozens of local environment groups and individuals across north-east NSW.

We have been actively involved in issues around this site for some 20 years.

Warning in the early days of the festival that allowing the site to be used for small, short festivals was a stalking horse for bigger, noisier, longer events.

There are few details supplied about what is proposed, they seek a licence to operate with little accountability.

The area in question is subject to high rainfall and often extreme rainfall events, increasing in likelihood as climate change brings more extreme weather events. To depend on spraying waste water from kitchens and toilets on the site is asking for trouble.

It's clear that the NSW Government is not listening to the relevant local governments on these matters but seems to be more interested in the developer's needs than that of local residents.

Where is the assessment of increased noise and traffic on local wildlife and local communities?

What has been the impact of past festivals on the wildlife corridor?

Indeed what has been the impact of past festivals on the local communities?

These questions need to be publicly answered before approval is given to massively expand the activity on site.

Yours for the earth

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