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To the IPC, for Wambo United Extension project, hearing on 7.2.19

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Added points not made yesterday:

1. A man was present who did not speak; he has researched weather locally, and found it likely that the thermals arising from the grouped final voids strung in clusters along the Hunter Valley have split the weather as it travels towards the upper valley, creating a progressive rain shadow, especially for instance, around Merriwa. That is serious.
2. The other matter is even broader, and astonishing, arising from analysis of human history worldwide.

Recent article SMH, Henry Bodkin, on CLIMATE CHANGE: “new research suggests that the “little Ice Age” of the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries was triggered by the genocide of indigenous people in the Americas by European settlers”... Univ. College London. It was called the Great Dying. Sixty million souls reduced to five or six million, and the ‘rewilding’ of vast tracts of previously cultivated land, to the extent of the size of modern France. The effect, reverse Warming; the carbon dioxide was taken from the atmosphere by the recovery of wild vegetation. And Europe froze for a century or so.

Now... Wind that back (my own thoughts) and you see a small number of humans becoming those millions, and the lands being de-wilded progressively, and the ice age which humans remember well, waning and retreating, the oceans advancing, Tasmanians being isolated etc, until the hiccup described above..... but that was temporary....

So, Maybe Climate Change is not new... but maybe, neither is it all “just natural variation”. Maybe we helped make it, up to the point where now, it will de-make us.

3. Congratulations are due to those involved in deciding against the mine in Gloucester. All current and future mine proposals have this as a sensible precedent.

Bev Atkinson.

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