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The Narrabri Coal Seam Gas (CSG) Project is years behind schedule and still not approved. The assessment of the project has been held up for over a year by **Santos** not providing information requested by government agencies.

However, we are expecting the process to move on soon to the next stage, an Independent Planning Commission (IPC) public hearing OR public meeting in Narrabri, New South Wales.

This could be our last chance to stop CSG in New South Wales.

Under considerable pressure over its hands-off stance towards the public health implications of coal seam gas, NSW Health is now understood to be intending to provide a submission to the Independent Planning Commission.

However, NSW Health is relying on the NSW Environment Protection Authority for guidance and Santos has declined to answer questions put to it by the EPA, such as the gas composition analysis of potential fugitive emissions.

The IPC hearing is likely to call for another round of submissions.

North West Protection Advocacy would like to encourage your organisation to write a submission.

We at North West Protection Advocacy will be reading and appraising the NSW Health submission and will provide you with **key points to consider in your own submission to the Commission.**

In the meantime we have attached an up-to-date Coal Seam Gas and Public Health Communiqué with information and references in relation to public health, coal seam gas and the Narrabri Gas Project.

This is a crucial time for the State of NSW, and much pressure will be placed on all levels of government to support unconventional gas expansion under the unfounded justification of energy security.

With other sources of energy increasingly available, we believe NSW should not be opened up to the dangerous unconventional gas industry.

Yours faithfully,



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