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Re Narrabri Coal Seam Gas Project  
Submission Against Santos Application

I live in the Northern Suburbs area of Sydney but travel frequently to visit friends in country NSW where I enjoy the clean air and rural lifestyle.

Therefore I am horrified at the prospect of over 800 new coal seam gas wells being developed in the Pilliga, with resultant clearing of bushland and likely irreversible contamination of water.

Following recent devastating bushfires, we must focus more than ever on preserving our trees rather than obliterating more, as would be the case here.

Availability of clean precious water will become more important, increasing the concerns as to Santos's ability to support its guarantees of maintaining the health of streams notwithstanding written safeguards.

As to jobs, it has already been proven by economists that new renewable energy projects provide more work, both during construction stages and then ongoing. The life of gas wells is limited in years – Santos acknowledges that.

Please DO NOT approve this project.

Yours faithfully,  
Marianne Marin  
An Australian concerned for our future.