

From: Thomasin Litchfield <campaigns@good.do>
Sent: Monday, 10 August 2020 1:59 PM
To: IPCN Enquiries Mailbox
Subject: Submission: I object to the Narrabri gas project

Dear Commissioners,

Santos' proposed Narrabri gasfield should not be given approval to go ahead.

It would cause irreparable damage to water sources and farmland, both vital and neither of which can be replaced.

We need to value and protect our water sources and agricultural land. This is more important than extracting more coal seam gas. There are alternative sources of energy that don't come at the expense of our land, water and cultural heritage.

It is past time our decision-making authorities heeded climate science and showed forward thinking when choosing energy sources. There is no justification for this project to go ahead when it comes at such an expense and there are alternatives.

Yours sincerely,
Thomasin Litchfield
Earlwood, New South Wales, 2206, Australia

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From: Elizabeth Hickling <campaigns@good.do>
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Subject: Submission: I object to the Narrabri gas project

Dear Commissioners,

I have been moved to write this submission in support of the landholders of the Gunnedah Oxley Basin agricultural region as well as my concern for the integrity of the Great Artesian Basin and the ground water supplies to the basin, not to mention the alarming increase in Australia's greenhouse gas emissions that the project will inevitably produce at a time when Australia needs to find about 7.5 MtCO₂ new reductions every year to meet its 2030 goal.

The use of water from deep below the Pilliga and the subsequent 840,000 tonnes of heavy metal laced salt for which there is no disposal plan is deeply worrying. This, in conjunction with the (anticipated) damage to the Great Artesian Basin and groundwater supplies to the Gunnedah Oxley Basin (a prime agricultural region) would seem to me to be a very pressing concern and you would have to wonder how such a project would be in the interest of the local community and the state of NSW more broadly.

Further to these concerns are the social and economic impacts of the project coupled with the threat to Aboriginal Cultural Heritage and loss of biodiversity with the industrialisation of approximately 95,000 hectares. The clearing of nearly 1,000 hectares threatening 10 plant species and 35 fauna including local koala populations that are already struggling adds to my concern.

Coal seam gas is not the alternative we're looking for when it comes to reducing greenhouse gas emissions and this project with its projected possible (5million tonnes per annum) 127.8 million tones of carbon dioxide equivalent would mean a nearly a 1% per annum increase in Australia's emissions (as the gas is destined to be used onshore all of it would count as Australian emissions) which is unacceptable in the light of what needs to be done to curb the increase in global temperatures caused by greenhouse gases.

In conclusion I would ask that the commissioners consider carefully the concerns of the local community as well as the concerns of the residents of NSW more broadly. The increase in Australia's greenhouse gas emissions, and water and food security are important issues for all of us to consider and NSW as the responsible jurisdiction needs to act responsibly. I urge you to reject Santos' proposed Narrabri gasfield in the Pilliga forest.

Yours sincerely

Elizabeth Hickling

Yours sincerely,

Elizabeth Hickling

Hamilton DC, New South Wales, 2303, Australia

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From: Alex Kobs <campaigns@good.do>
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To: IPCN Enquiries Mailbox
Subject: I OBJECT to the Narrabri Gas Project

Dear Independent Planning Commission,

You can include my name and submission on your website.

This is a submission on the Narrabri Gas Project.

I object to the proposed Narrabri Gas Project due to its significant environmental, heritage, social and economic impacts.

My name is Alex Kobs and I live in Salisbury, South Australia. In the past decade, I have gained a strong connection with nature. What connects me the most in nature is the scenery. The reason for that is because of the beauty and amazing details of it in the countryside. I am always awestruck at how beautiful it can be when I stop to look at it. Like how colourful it can be in broad daylight and how amazing it looks in sunsets, moonlight and even on a rainy day. And it's the same with the beach. It's so beautiful that whenever I get the chance, I would stop to take a photo of the scenery, whatever the weather may be and sometimes I take pictures of the animals. I have countless photos of every one of them. It always puts a smile on my face. But now, there is something about the scenery that is not putting a smile on my face and that is the issues that are affecting it.

The issues that are affecting the part of the environment I love are the man-made climate change, which I had found out about in 2018 that has started to become a serious threat to our world. And it's become a threat because global warming has started to get out of control due to emissions by coal and fossil fuel industries. I have learned about global warming in school and the consequences it can bring if it's not reduced, such as rising sea levels caused by emissions melting the ice in the Arctic and the freakish heat caused by emissions trapped in the atmosphere. Not to mention the lack of rain that the farmers need to help grow their crops and have water for their animals. And then there is the bushfires. Even when I wasn't at the places where they were taking place, it was still horrifying. The pictures were enough to scare me and fill me with anxiety. Because these bushfires were a result of climate change, it made me wonder if they were going to start in my home

next. There was a fire one night on the way my family usually went to go home from Mannum, but it turned out it was from a power line. But it was still enough to make me worried that it will spread more rapidly like the others and get out of control.

And I have been hearing talks that the permafrost is thawing because of emissions caused by fossil fuels. The thawing of the permafrost is a real problem for us because when it starts thawing, it will also release emissions into the atmosphere that will heat up our atmosphere. And it's the same with methane, which is from gas and has also

started to become a serious problem. And then there are the floods, like the flood that is happening in New South Wales. It is from the sea levels rising from global warming and now they are destroying many people's homes and causing economic damage. And I am pretty sure there are animals that are also affected by these floods too. And then there's the coronavirus. Has anyone ever noticed that COVID-19 was starting to become a problem after a lot of nature has been destroyed last year? Because it doesn't look like a coincidence now that I look at it. Because I have also learned that destroying trees can also release viruses and pande

mics. And I have no doubt that the coronavirus could be one of them.

In order to stop this crisis, we have to switch to renewable energy and reduce our emissions. And that's not the only thing we have to do. We also have to plant more trees where it is necessary because we need trees to help us survive. And it's not only the humans that need them, but the animals too as they rely on the trees for their survival. And that's what the Pilliga forest is for. It helps people and animals survive by absorbing carbon dioxide, keep viruses locked in and provides food and water from it's water system. Not only that, but it's also an amazing place to visit, with so many sights to see such as the heritage sites it beholds. I may not be a parent, but I am pretty sure that our children and many future generations to come would also like to see the sights of the Pilliga forest and learn so much from it. I don't think they would ever want to see a drilling company causing destruction to a place so beautiful in favour of oil and money.

Coming to think of it, I'm pretty sure all of the children and future generations all over the world would like to enjoy this planet if everyone would just give them the chance and not ruin it for them.

Due to the above reasons I strongly object to the Narrabri Gas Project. Thank you for the opportunity to comment. I look forward to hearing from you in regards to this submission.

Yours sincerely,

Alex Kobs

Salisbury Park, South Australia, 5109, Australia

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To: IPCN Enquiries Mailbox
Subject: I OBJECT to the Narrabri Gas Project

Dear Independent Planning Commission,

You can include my name and submission on your website.

This is a submission on the Narrabri Gas Project.

I object to the proposed Narrabri Gas Project . Australia is the biggest producer of natural gas in the World after Qatar With such massive supplies it is pure greed to put agricultural production under any threat, real.or perceived.

Due to the above reasons I strongly object to the Narrabri Gas Project. Thank you for the opportunity to comment. I look forward to hearing from you in regards to this submission.

Yours sincerely,
Peter Allan Small
Wilderness,
286 wilderness rd.
GRITURK, Victoria, 3315, Australia

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To: IPCN Enquiries Mailbox
Subject: Submission: I object to the Narrabri gas project

Dear Commissioners,

I urge you to reject Santos' proposed Narrabri gas field in the Pilliga forest.

- The Pilliga is uniquely important for Gomeroi people, for biodiversity and water resources.

- Industrializing it with 850 coal seam gas wells and countless roads, power lines and pipelines will irreparably damage its cultural, ecological, and hydrological values.

- It will bring up 1.5GL of water and more than 13,000 tonnes of toxic salts every year, risking the Great Artesian Basin Southern Recharge, the Gunnedah Oxley Basin and local aquifers.

- This gasfield will add nearly 1 million tonnes every year to Australia's greenhouse gas emissions when our task is to reduce emissions by more than 7 million tonnes a year.

- And it won't even bring down gas or electricity prices for Aussies!

Yours sincerely,

Gillian Steyne

Suffolk Park, New South Wales, 2481, Australia

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To: IPCN Enquiries Mailbox
Subject: Submission: I object to the Narrabri gas project

Dear Commissioners,

I urge you to reject Santos' proposed Narrabri gasfield in the Pilliga forest. PLEASE!

- The Pilliga is uniquely important for Gomeroi people, for biodiversity and water resources.

- Industrialising it with 850 coal seam gas wells and countless roads, power lines and pipelines will irreparably damage its cultural, ecological and hydrological values.

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Yours sincerely,

maddie stephenson

Sherwood, New South Wales, 2450, Australia

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From: Caitlin Weatherstone <campaigns@good.do>
Sent: Monday, 10 August 2020 2:09 PM
To: IPCN Enquiries Mailbox
Subject: Submission: I object to the Narrabri gas project

Dear Commissioners,

I am a Wildlife Ecologist with serious concerns for the Narrabri area and greater Australian biodiversity if this project goes ahead. I urge you to reject Santos' proposed Narrabri gasfield in the Pilliga forest.

- The Pilliga is uniquely important for Gomeroi people, for biodiversity and water resources.

- Industrialising it with 850 coal seam gas wells and countless roads, power lines and pipelines will irreparably damage its cultural, ecological and hydrological values.

- It will bring up 1.5GL of water and more than 13,000 tonnes of toxic salts every year, risking the Great Artesian Basin Southern Recharge, the Gunnedah Oxley Basin and local aquifers.

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Yours sincerely,

Caitlin Weatherstone

Suffolk Park, New South Wales, 2481, Australia

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From: Heather Dunn <campaigns@good.do>
Sent: Monday, 10 August 2020 2:12 PM
To: IPCN Enquiries Mailbox
Subject: Submission: I object to the Narrabri gas project

Dear Commissioners,

I urge you to reject Santos' proposed Narrabri gasfield in the Pilliga forest.

I am a mother and urge you to act to protect the health of today's children and future generations by rejecting the proposed Narrabri gas project.

I am a nurse and midwife I know that Climate Change is the biggest threat to human health that we have ever faced. The Narrabri gas project must be rejected in the interest of human and environmental health, for the two are intertwined. Fossil fuels and human health are fundamentally incompatible. For today's children and those yet to be born, please don't be complicit in damaging their future.

The Pilliga is uniquely important for Gomeri people, for biodiversity and water resources.

Industrialising it with 850 coal seam gas wells and countless roads, power lines and pipelines will irreparably damage its cultural, ecological and hydrological values.

It will bring up 1.5GL of water and more than 13,000 tonnes of toxic salts every year, risking the Great Artesian Basin Southern Recharge, the Gunnedah Oxley Basin and local aquifers.

This gasfield will add nearly 1 million tonnes every year to Australia's greenhouse gas emissions when our task is to reduce emissions by more than 7 million tonnes a year.

Please reject the proposed Narrabri gas project.

Sincerely,

Heather Dunn

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From: Jeff Jacobs <campaigns@good.do>
Sent: Monday, 10 August 2020 2:16 PM
To: IPCN Enquiries Mailbox
Subject: Submission: I object to the Narrabri gas project

Dear Commissioners,

I urge you to reject Santos' proposed Narrabri gasfield in the Pilliga forest.

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- Industrialising it with 850 coal seam gas wells and countless roads, power lines and pipelines will irreparably damage its cultural, ecological and hydrological values.

- It will bring up 1.5GL of water and more than 13,000 tonnes of toxic salts every year, risking the Great Artesian Basin Southern Recharge, the Gunnedah Oxley Basin and local aquifers.

- This gasfield will add nearly 1 million tonnes every year to Australia's greenhouse gas emissions when our task is to reduce emissions by more than 7 million tonnes a year.

- And it won't even bring down gas or electricity prices for Aussies!

The world of energy is moving rapidly beyond fossil fuels. Australia needs to keep up and invest in the energy forms of the future - not the past.

Yours sincerely,

Jeff Jacobs

Mount Kembla, New South Wales, 2526, Australia

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From: Marianne McCormack <campaigns@good.do>
Sent: Monday, 10 August 2020 2:16 PM
To: IPCN Enquiries Mailbox
Subject: Submission: I object to the Narrabri gas project

Dear Commissioners,

As Australian voters, cattle farmers, parents and grandparents who care about the future of this amazing Country, Simon and I urge you to reject Santos' proposed Narrabri gasfield in the Pilliga forest.

- The Pilliga is uniquely important for Gomeroi people, for biodiversity and water resources.

- Industrialising it with 850 coal seam gas wells and countless roads, power lines and pipelines will irreparably damage its cultural, ecological and hydrological values.

- It will bring up 1.5GL of water and more than 13,000 tonnes of toxic salts every year, risking the Great Artesian Basin Southern Recharge, the Gunnedah Oxley Basin and local aquifers.

- This gasfield will add nearly 1 million tonnes every year to Australia's greenhouse gas emissions when our task is to reduce emissions by more than 7 million tonnes a year.

- Allowing this gasfield will not benefit Australians, and will ensure the present NSW Government loss of our vote and that of everyone of our friends and neighbours to whom we are forwarding this petition.

- We ask you to please do the right thing for our country, our original peoples, our farmers and future generations.

Yours sincerely,

Marianne and McCormack

Billinudgel, New South Wales, 2483, Australia

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From: Margaret Potts <campaigns@good.do>
Sent: Monday, 10 August 2020 2:21 PM
To: IPCN Enquiries Mailbox
Subject: I OBJECT to the Narrabri Gas Project

Dear Independent Planning Commission,

You can include my name and submission on your website.

This is a submission on the Narrabri Gas Project.

I object to the proposed Narrabri Gas Project due to its significant environmental, heritage, social and economic impacts.

I am an Australian citizen who cares about the protection of our environment, not only for the current Australians but for the generations to come. I am a bush walker and am concerned about the impact on flora and fauna, and on climate change.

The Pilliga Forest is an important area ecologically for Australia. It represents the largest relatively unfragmented stand of temperate, semi-arid forest and woodland in eastern Australia. This area provides a crucial refuge for biodiversity in a landscape that is mostly cleared agricultural land. There are 35 threatened species of fauna found in the Pilliga, including the endemic Pilliga mouse, Spotted-tail quoll and the Sugar Glider. This area of habitat provides refuge for threatened woodland birds, including the Glossy Black Cockatoo.

The installation and drilling of 850 gas wells will have detrimental impacts - by fragmentation of a landscape that is already under severe environmental stress; by sedimentation of ephemeral waterways and reduced surface water for the fauna of the area; marked disturbance of the area due to increased vehicular traffic, dust, noise and lighting; and easier access to the area by exotic predator species, such as foxes and cats.

The Pilliga is an important recharge area for the Great Artesian Basin. The target coal seams are below aquifers that not only recharge the Artesian Basin, but also important sources of water for agricultural and domestic use. The drilling for CSG has high risk of contamination of the groundwater by produced waste water, and by well integrity failures and abandoned boreholes.

Additionally, and not the least, the effect on climate change. This includes the addition of new methane sources into the atmosphere from fugitive emissions, and the burning of the gas from the CSG extracted. This would be inconsistent with the carbon budget approach towards climate stabilisation and the Paris Agreement climate target.

Due to the above reasons I strongly object to the Narrabri Gas Project. Thank you for the opportunity to comment. I look forward to hearing from you in regards to this submission.

Yours sincerely,
Margaret Potts
Wentworth Falls, New South Wales, 2782, Australia

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From: Prue Cancian <campaigns@good.do>
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To: IPCN Enquiries Mailbox
Subject: Submission: I object to the Narrabri gas project

Dear Commissioners,

I urge you to refuse consent to Santos' proposed Narrabri gasfield in the Pilliga forest.

- The Pilliga is uniquely important for Gomeroi people, for biodiversity and water resources.

- Industrialising it with 850 coal seam gas wells and countless roads, power lines and pipelines will irreparably damage its cultural, ecological and hydrological values.

- It will bring up 1.5GL of water and more than 13,000 tonnes of toxic salts every year, risking the Great Artesian Basin Southern Recharge, the Gunnedah Oxley Basin and local aquifers.

- This gasfield will add nearly 1 million tonnes every year to Australia's greenhouse gas emissions when our task is to reduce emissions by more than 7 million tonnes a year.

- This project is the forerunner for a toxic expansion into the northwest of NSW. By refusing this application you can also protect thousands of farmers from aquifer damage and climate catastrophe that will result from the extraction of more fossil fuels like gas.

- And it won't even bring down gas or electricity prices!

Yours sincerely,

Prue Cancian

Bondi, New South Wales, 2026, Australia

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From: Brenden Robinson <campaigns@good.do>
Sent: Monday, 10 August 2020 2:34 PM
To: IPCN Enquiries Mailbox
Subject: I OBJECT to the Narrabri Gas Project

Dear Independent Planning Commission,

You can include my name and submission on your website.

This is a submission on the Narrabri Gas Project.

Without going down too much of a technical route, it is clear that Santos' proposed operation will be nothing but detrimental to traditional owners of the land, communities of the area and the greater environment. It is an absolute no brainer that we, as a species, collectively need to move away from projects like these before it is too late to repair the damage.

Parcels of land like these MUST be protected in order to ensure survival of all life on this planet, we cannot continue to pollute the earth in the same way we have been increasingly over the past century, it is unsustainable and it does not take a lot of brain power to look at some facts, crunch some numbers and work that out.

Please, think wisely about this. We absolutely cannot continue to treat our planet the way we have been in the name of greed. Renewable and sustainable methods MUST be the way forward.

Yours sincerely,

Brenden Robinson

Stockton, New South Wales, 2295, Australia

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From: Geoff Reid <campaigns@good.do>
Sent: Monday, 10 August 2020 2:35 PM
To: IPCN Enquiries Mailbox
Subject: Submission: I object to the Narrabri gas project

Dear Commissioners,

I write to oppose CSG mining in the Narrabri/Pilliga area.

I have worked on oil and gas exploration rigs and had experience installing and concreting bore casings. It is not unusual for unstable sections of the bore-hole wall to slump against the drill-string. This is called 'bridging', and occasionally a drill-bit is trapped below such a bridge, making extraction difficult – even impossible.

Similar bridging sometimes occurs when strata slump against the bore-casing, in which case the bridges interfere with the symmetrical flow of concrete forced between casing and the bore-hole wall, and integrity of the final corrosion-protection and seal the concrete provides along that bore-casing. The Conversation recently reported one in ten active and abandoned British Columbia gas/oil wells to be leaking (<https://theconversation.com/a-tenth-of-active-and-abandoned-oil-and-gas-wells-in-northeastern-b-c-are-leaking-127921>).

Whether from bridging or other causes of imperfection, some wells leak almost immediately (e.g. Condamine River methane bubbles in young Qld gas field), others take many decades, but the impermanence of kilometres-long thin steel buried pipes sealed by thin rings of concrete suggest all will leak eventually. There are even cases of catastrophic failure after a century: "a geyser of gas and dirt 100 feet into the air" (<https://www.reuters.com/article/us-usa-drilling-abandoned-specialreport/special-report-millions-of-abandoned-oil-wells-are-leaking-methane-a-climate-menace-idUSKBN23N1NL>). Once wells fail, there appears to be every likelihood they will leak – either fluids or gases or both – for centuries.

Over hundreds of wells, the chance of leakage, including immediate leakage, is cumulative and extreme – a certainty. For a few decades of gas profits from the field, the potentially large damage to agriculture, on which Australians are likely to always depend, makes little sense. Across the world, greenhouse emissions must be reduced, and the intensely greenhouse-active methane emissions from gas fields are now observed from space to be substantial. Australia is predicted to suffer among the worst effects of climate change, impacts we have arguably just begun to observe as extreme drought and fire.

As global temperatures rise, rates of underground water use are also rising, and Australia's inland areas are likely to be among the most dependent on aquifers for agriculture and human uses. Recharge water entering at the edges of Great Artesian Basin has been shown to take hundreds of centuries to reach its centre. Water which has been polluted by coal-seam toxins, including hydrocarbons, salt, and radioactivity, and which leaks into recharge aquifers, will consequently reduce the quality of Australia's artesian water – essentially forever.

With the Pilliga situated above NSW's prime recharge area of the Great Artesian Basin, jeopardising this unique perpetual resource for a few decades profit from hydrocarbons our society can and must do without, would be a crime against future generations – essentially forever.

Sincerely yours ,

Geoff Reid

Booyong, New South Wales, 2480, Australia

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From: Kohben Grech <campaigns@good.do>
Sent: Monday, 10 August 2020 2:36 PM
To: IPCN Enquiries Mailbox
Subject: I object to the Narrabri Gas Project

Dear Independent Planning Commission,

You can include my name and submission on your website.

This is a submission on the Narrabri Gas Project, which plans to plunder 850 coal seam gas (CSG) wells through the recharge zone of the Great Artesian Basin in the precious Pilliga forest, on the sacred land of the Gamilaraay people.

I object to the proposed Narrabri Gas Project due to its significant environmental, heritage, social and economic impacts. 97% of the local community say NO to Pilliga CSG. Australians want a future of clean and abundant energy and to protect the places we love. This project is irresponsible in the current climate crisis - Australia should be transitioning away from fossil fuels, not facilitating more projects.

Yours sincerely,
Kohben Grech
The Hill, New South Wales, 2300, Australia

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From: Annabelle Warren <campaigns@good.do>
Sent: Monday, 10 August 2020 2:42 PM
To: IPCN Enquiries Mailbox
Subject: Submission: I object to the Narrabri gas project

Dear Commissioners,

I am a doctor and concerned about the impact on human health of ongoing fossil fuel derived energy use driving climate change.

I urge you to reject Santos' proposed Narrabri gasfield in the Pilliga forest, for the additional reasons below.

- The Pilliga is uniquely important for Gomeroi people, for biodiversity and water resources.

- Industrialising it with 850 coal seam gas wells and countless roads, power lines and pipelines will irreparably damage its cultural, ecological and hydrological values.

- It will bring up 1.5GL of water and more than 13,000 tonnes of toxic salts every year, risking the Great Artesian Basin Southern Recharge, the Gunnedah Oxley Basin and local aquifers.

- This gasfield will add nearly 1 million tonnes every year to Australia's greenhouse gas emissions when our task is to reduce emissions by more than 7 million tonnes a year.

- And it won't even bring down gas or electricity prices for Aussies!

Yours sincerely,

Annabelle Warren

Brunswick East, Victoria, 3057, Australia

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From: Marilyn Gilbert <campaigns@good.do>
Sent: Monday, 10 August 2020 2:46 PM
To: IPCN Enquiries Mailbox
Subject: I OBJECT to the Narrabri Gas Project

Dear Independent Planning Commission,

You can include my name and submission on your website.

This is a submission on the Narrabri Gas Project.

I object to the proposed Narrabri Gas Project due to its significant environmental, heritage, social and economic impacts.

I live in the World Heritage listed area of the Blue Mountains and have traveled through many areas of most Australian states. Moreover, I have family who live and work on properties in the Quirindi and Moree regions. I have been appalled at a number of instances where 'development' and land-clearing have had poor outcomes for the Australian environment.

The threat of CSG in the Pilliga region is most significant. The risk of contamination to water sources and damage to a highly productive agricultural area is extreme. Australia's water resources are fragile at best, made even more so by the prospective impacts of climate change.

The use of a fossil fuel (ie gas) for power is at odds with all the research which points to the cost and environmental advantages of renewable energy sources.

Any decision on these energy matters is in danger of being prejudiced by the State and Federal Coalition lead governments being closely aligned with large mining interests, such as Santos. The Federal government's advisory committee on energy includes a number of members (most significantly the Chair) who have ties to gas fuel interests.

I raise my voice because I fear that the Australian environment my grandchildren inherit will be damaged beyond repair.

Due to the above reasons I strongly object to the Narrabri Gas Project. Thank you for the opportunity to comment. I look forward to hearing from you in regards to this submission.

Yours sincerely,

Merilyn Gilbert

- Leura, New South Wales, 2780, Australia

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From: DUncan Graham <campaigns@good.do>
Sent: Monday, 10 August 2020 2:48 PM
To: IPCN Enquiries Mailbox
Subject: Submission: I object to the Narrabri gas project

Dear Commissioners,

I urge you to reject Santos' proposed Narrabri gasfield in the Pilliga forest.

- The Pilliga is uniquely important for Gomeroi people, for biodiversity and water resources.

- Industrialising it with 850 coal seam gas wells and countless roads, power lines and pipelines will irreparably damage its cultural, ecological and hydrological values.

- It will bring up 1.5GL of water and more than 13,000 tonnes of toxic salts every year, risking the Great Artesian Basin Southern Recharge, the Gunnedah Oxley Basin and local aquifers.

- This gasfield will add nearly 1 million tonnes every year to Australia's greenhouse gas emissions when our task is to reduce emissions by more than 7 million tonnes a year.

- And it won't even bring down gas or electricity prices for Aussies!

It would seem more than ridiculous that we as a nation continue to put our hopes into projects like this that will not enhance our environment or sustainable future. A project that will create minimal jobs and potentially destroy aquifers and a vast forest.

Yours sincerely,

DUncan Graham

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From: Chantel Jurcevic <campaigns@good.do>
Sent: Monday, 10 August 2020 3:06 PM
To: IPCN Enquiries Mailbox
Subject: Submission: Objeciton to the Narrabri gas project

Dear Commissioners,

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Yours sincerely,

Chantel Jurcevic

Dulwich Hill, New South Wales, 2203, Australia

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From: Andrew Fedorovitch <campaigns@good.do>
Sent: Monday, 10 August 2020 3:10 PM
To: IPCN Enquiries Mailbox
Subject: I OBJECT to Vickery Extension Project

To the Independent Planning Commission,

I am writing to ask you to reject the proposed Vickery Extension Project near Boggabri.

If this mine goes ahead, it will have unacceptable impacts on the local farming community, the agriculture and water resources of the Namoi Valley, the region's rich cultural heritage and the liveable climate that we all rely upon.

The Boggabri district is already reeling from the depopulation of farms by Whitehaven's nearby Maules Creek coal mine. Whitehaven has acquired more than 61,050 ha of land over 471 freehold titles in the district.

At least 90 family farms have been bought out, with many leaving the region permanently. This farming community will not survive with another coal mine in the region.

The impacts on water will be severe. Even the Department of Planning admits the new Vickery mine might run out of water in dry times.

The mine will leave a vast pile of mine waste on top of the Namoi alluvial aquifer, which could result in heavy metals leaching into the aquifer, according to water experts from the NSW Government.

We cannot risk the limited water resources of the Namoi Valley, and the agriculture it supports, with another water hungry coal mine.

Other negative impacts of the mine include:

- It will add 370 million tonnes of greenhouse gas emissions to the atmosphere, putting all Australians at risk of extreme weather and dangerous fires.
- Mine infrastructure will encroach within 300 metres of the historic 'Kurrumbede' homestead. Mine dust and blasting could put the structural integrity of the homestead at risk.

Yours sincerely,

Andrew Fedorovitch

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From: Andrew Fedorovitch <campaigns@good.do>
Sent: Monday, 10 August 2020 3:05 PM
To: IPCN Enquiries Mailbox
Subject: Submission: I object to the Narrabri gas project

Dear Commissioners,

I urge you to reject Santos' proposed Narrabri gasfield in the Pilliga forest.

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- This gasfield will add nearly 1 million tonnes every year to Australia's greenhouse gas emissions when our task is to reduce emissions by more than 7 million tonnes a year.

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Yours sincerely,

Andrew Fedorovitch

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From: Chantel Jurcevic <campaigns@good.do>
Sent: Monday, 10 August 2020 3:11 PM
To: IPCN Enquiries Mailbox
Subject: My objection to Vickery Extension Project

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Other negative impacts of the mine include:

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- Mine infrastructure will encroach within 300 metres of the historic 'Kurrumbede' homestead. Mine dust and blasting could put the structural integrity of the homestead at risk.

The extension MUST be rejected!

Yours sincerely,

C. Jurcevic

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From: Sheryl Tester <campaigns@good.do>
Sent: Monday, 10 August 2020 3:15 PM
To: IPCN Enquiries Mailbox
Subject: Submission: I object to the Narrabri gas project

Dear Commissioners,

I urge you to reject Santos' proposed Narrabri gasfield in the Pilliga forest.

- The Pilliga is uniquely important for Gomeroi people, for biodiversity and water resources & cultural heritage

- Industrialising it with 850 coal seam gas wells and countless roads, power lines and pipelines will irreparably damage its cultural, ecological and hydrological values.

- It will bring up 1.5GL of water and more than 13,000 tonnes of toxic salts every year, risking the Great Artesian Basin Southern Recharge, the Gunnedah Oxley Basin and local aquifers. Save our water

- This gasfield will add nearly 1 million tonnes every year to Australia's greenhouse gas emissions when our task is to reduce emissions by more than 7 million tonnes a year. Save our planet, please find an alternative.

- And it won't even bring down gas or electricity prices for Aussies!

Yours sincerely,

Sheryl Tester

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From: Andrew Mason <campaigns@good.do>
Sent: Monday, 10 August 2020 3:16 PM
To: IPCN Enquiries Mailbox
Subject: Submission: I object to the Narrabri gas project

Dear Commissioners,

I urge you to reject Santos' proposed Narrabri gasfield in the Pilliga forest.

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- It will bring up 1.5GL of water and more than 13,000 tonnes of toxic salts every year, risking the Great Artesian Basin Southern Recharge, the Gunnedah Oxley Basin and local aquifers.

- This gasfield will add nearly 1 million tonnes every year to Australia's greenhouse gas emissions when our task is to reduce emissions by more than 7 million tonnes a year.

- And it won't even bring down gas or electricity prices for Aussies!

This project is not worth the risks associated with it and should not be allowed to proceed.

Yours sincerely,

Andrew Mason

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From: Ron Deane <campaigns@good.do>
Sent: Monday, 10 August 2020 3:17 PM
To: IPCN Enquiries Mailbox
Subject: Submission: I object to the Narrabri gas project

Dear Commissioners,

I urge you to reject Santos' proposed Narrabri gasfield in the Pilliga forest.

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- It will bring up 1.5GL of water and more than 13,000 tonnes of toxic salts every year, risking the Great Artesian Basin Southern Recharge, the Gunnedah Oxley Basin and local aquifers.

That loss of water in that area is criminal!

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Yours sincerely,

Ron Deane

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From: Sarita Mistry <campaigns@good.do>
Sent: Monday, 10 August 2020 3:18 PM
To: IPCN Enquiries Mailbox
Subject: Submission: I object to the Narrabri gas project

Dear Commissioners,

I think it has become fairly evident globally the detriment of resource extraction to both the land and communities that populate the area. These projects neglect the pure fact that any impact on our environment is not isolated to a single patch of land and that the extent of disruption extends into the greater eco system on both a scale and macro level. I urge you to reject Santos' proposed Narrabri gasfield in the Pilliga forest.

- The Pilliga is uniquely important for Gomeroi people, for biodiversity and water resources.

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- It will bring up 1.5GL of water and more than 13,000 tonnes of toxic salts every year, risking the Great Artesian Basin Southern Recharge, the Gunnedah Oxley Basin and local aquifers.

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Yours sincerely,

Sarita Mistry

Thornbury, Victoria, 3071, Australia

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From: J Hunt <campaigns@good.do>
Sent: Monday, 10 August 2020 3:21 PM
To: IPCN Enquiries Mailbox
Subject: Submission: USA gas fracking are in bankruptcy and leaving toxic leaking wells.

Dear Commissioners,

I urge you to reject Santos' proposed Narrabri gasfield in the Pilliga forest.

- The Pilliga is uniquely important for Future generations beyond the short term gas lease, for biodiversity and water resources.

The day the debt-ridden Texas oil producer MDC Energy filed for bankruptcy eight months ago, a tank at one of its wells was furiously leaking methane, a potent greenhouse gas, into the atmosphere. As of last week, dangerous, invisible gases were still spewing into the air.

By one estimate, the company would need more than \$40 million to clean up its wells if they were permanently closed. But the debts of MDC's parent company now exceed the value of its assets by more than \$180 million.

In the months before its bankruptcy filing, though, the company managed to pay its chief executive \$8.5 million in consulting fees, its top lender, the French investment bank Natixis, later alleged in bankruptcy court.

Oil and gas companies in the United States are hurtling toward bankruptcy at a pace not seen in years, driven under by a global price war and a pandemic that has slashed demand. And in the wake of this economic carnage is a potential environmental disaster — unprofitable wells that will be abandoned or left untended, even as they continue leaking planet-warming pollutants, and a costly bill for taxpayers to clean it all up.

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Yours sincerely,

J Hunt

Pottsville Beach, New South Wales, 2489, Australia

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From: Gary and Kathleen Black <campaigns@good.do>
Sent: Monday, 10 August 2020 3:22 PM
To: IPCN Enquiries Mailbox
Subject: Submission: I object to the Narrabri gas project

Dear Commissioners,

We urge you to reject Santos' proposed Narrabri gas field in the Pilliga forest because it is a threat to our quality of life and does not provide any long-term benefits to our way of life.

We have lived in Dubbo for the past 35 years and are keenly aware that rural lands such as farms and native forests are vital for food production, maintaining a liveable environment and recharging ground water supplies for agriculture and rural cities.

Through our reading, attending information sessions and watching the DVD "Fractured Country: An Unconventional Invasion", we learned there are no safe methods to extract CSG without permanent negative consequences such as:

- 1) Depletion of groundwater: Santos must remove groundwater to extract the gas. However, little is known about the deep aquifers to be dewatered. Estimates are that over a 20-year period, Santos will remove 37.5 billion litres of water from deep below the Pilliga causing depressurisation and loss of water in the Pilliga Sandstone, the southern recharge of the Great Artesian Basin. The Department of Planning is downplaying the importance of the Pilliga Sandstone as a recharge aquifer of the Great Artesian Basin and claims that there will be "no significant impact" but in reality, there is not enough information for them to make this claim.
- 2) Permanently polluting the ground water supply with the toxic chemicals pumped into the aquifers that provide water to our local farmers and rural cities such as Dubbo, which draws half of its water supply from ground water. During the last drought, the large inland cities were on highly limited water restrictions due to low dam storage. Our garden plants were kept alive by bucketing grey water and our grass completely died back to dirt because we were not allowed to water it at all. Without a clean, safe supply of ground water to provide for our domestic use there would not have been enough water for us to live on.
- 3) Bringing massive amounts of salt water to the surface requiring the disposal of an estimated 840,000 tonnes of solid salt waste with heavy metals from the coal seam water. Where will it go?
- 4) Santos will also need to find a disposal area for 720,000 cubic metres of coal-based drill cuttings. However, there is no detailed plan for this.

5) Loss of biodiversity: The Pilliga is the largest temperate woodland in eastern Australia and Santos proposes to industrialise 95,000 hectares of it, clearing close to 1,000 hectares in small patches and connecting lines, including removal of several endangered ecological communities. Only limited surveys were done for the assessment of the gasfield, but these found 10 threatened plants and 35 threatened animals in the gasfield area, including pygmy possums, koalas and the Pilliga mouse. The Pilliga once hosted one of the most important koala populations in New South Wales, but the species is now on an extinction trajectory in the area. With so much habitat and lives lost to recent bushfires, it is crucial to the survival of the koala that its bushland habitats be spared industrialisation.

6) Increased Greenhouse gases and climate change: Contrary to claims, this project will actually increase not decrease GHG emissions. Producing coal seam gas will not lead to a long-term sustainable energy supply. The UN Environment Program's Production Gap Report in 2019 found that, "With average lifetimes of 20 years or longer for pipelines, terminals, wells, and platforms, the time to begin planning for a wind-down of gas production is, as with other fossil fuels, already upon us."

7) Dangerous chemicals and spills: Many chemicals used in the CSG industry are harmful to mine workers, the environment and public health in the surrounding districts. There is a risk of spills / leaks of toxic chemicals during transportation, mixing for drilling and industrial accidents. There have already been more than 20 leaks and spills from coal seam gas exploration activity in the Pilliga. At the headwaters of the groundwater of the Great Artesian Basin, we can't afford the risk of chemical or salt leakage, accidents and spills.

The extraction of CSG can at best only ever deliver short-term gain (a time-limited supply of gas) for long-term pain (permanent loss of ground water, loss of productive farmland, environmental degradation and poor public health outcomes).

For us, mining CSG is much too high a price to pay. Reject Santos CSG proposal and leave the gas in the ground.

Yours sincerely

Gary and Kathleen Black

Dubbo residents for the past 35 years

Yours sincerely,

Gary Black

Dubbo NSW 2830, Australia

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From: Sandra Reed <campaigns@good.do>
Sent: Monday, 10 August 2020 3:25 PM
To: IPCN Enquiries Mailbox
Subject: Submission: I object to the Narrabri gas project

Dear Commissioners,

It is absolutely ridiculous that new fossil fuel projects are STILL being considered when we are already in a climate crisis much more deadly than the corona virus! Record heat and ice loss in the arctic with wild fires and oil spills (from a collapsed ice shelf). Record heat waves in the UK. Deadly floods in China. Record rain in the Eastern States of Australia (with many areas still in drought) and drought in the West.

Fossil fuels are the least economical of all fuels. Gas is not a transition fuel as it is as deadly as coal if not more so due to the methane content. Fact! Fracking uses vast amounts of water which is then rendered useless as it is permanently contaminated. And the waste is radioactive. When the concrete casings of the waste breaks down as it passes through aquifers that water is also then permanently contaminated. Industries such as agriculture in the vicinity of a mine is destroyed. Towns get sick - no coincidence. There are numerous examples. Every points against fossil fuels especially coal seam gas.

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Yours sincerely,

Sandra Reed

Bedfordale, Western Australia, 6112, Australia

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From: Alesoun Marsden <campaigns@good.do>
Sent: Monday, 10 August 2020 3:29 PM
To: IPCN Enquiries Mailbox
Subject: I STRONGLY OBJECT to the Narrabri Gas Project.

Dear Independent Planning Commission,

My name is Alesoun Marsden, I am a retired teacher and grandmother. Although I no longer young I am defined by my actions, thoughts and fears for the future of our younger generations. We have a responsibility to ensure that stupid decisions are not made that will degrade our land, water, air and Climate.

With this in mind, I would like to submit my objection to the Santos, Narrabri Gas Project.

I object to the proposed Narrabri Gas Project due to its significant environmental, heritage, social and economic impacts.

I have travelled in this area in the past and there is great beauty in the landscape. This Coal Seam Gas project will cover a huge area of land, potentially devastating farming land, ground water on which farmers rely, flora & fauna in OUR Pillaga State Forest, Aboriginal sacred sites, local communities and Climate Change. Is this really what progress is all about? 95,000 hectares of land to become an industrialised landscape in country NSW!

Santos is suggesting a field of 850 gas wells to be drilled. The Pillaga State Forest which is an area of great natural importance for threatened and endangered plants and animals will be carved up, sectioned into small patches that will remain between the wells. One thousand hectares will be lost by clearing around the wells. I suggest that the survival of the ten threatened plants and thirty five endangered and threatened, unique Australian animals, will be made less likely. They include the Pigmy Possum, the Pillaga Mouse and koalas which are on an extinction trajectory in the area due to loss of habitat. Biodiversity is under threat from this proposed Gas Project. Each well has an open flame, within a bush environment. What could go wrong? I was listening to Greg Mullins, an expert on fire, drying, hotter climate and the links to ignition through the longer fire season which is happening in Australia and the places around the world that were thought to never be at risk

of wildfires. They are now! We've suffered through a horror year for fire 2019/2020 and we've seen the fires being so big that they create their own weather systems. Will the habitat that is essential for the Pilliga and its inhabitants survive a drier climate, greater fuel load and open flames at regular intervals?

Water is also a massive issue for this Gas Project! Water is life everywhere on Earth but particularly on the driest continent on the planet. Over twenty years billions of litres of water will be used. This ground water is the only source of fresh water in inland NSW. Farmers, trees, animals all need water. Loss of water from aquifer interference is not low risk. It will cause depressurisation in the Pilliga Sandstone recharge for the Great Artesian Basin. Farmers/landholders rely on the quality and availability of ground water in the Gunnedah/ Oxley Basin.

Not just the loss of water but the potential contamination of the ancient water source from heavy metals and chemicals used for FRACKING. There will be eight hundred and forty tonnes of salt laced with toxic byproducts of the gas extraction process. Santos has no plan for the disposal of this salt.

Gas is a fossil fuel. With the Narrabri Gas Project there is the potential of five million tonnes of CO2 and methane emissions per year. If we are to meet our Paris Climate Agreement commitments, which our government has signed up to, we must reject new fossil fuel infrastructure, gas wells and pipelines. This will lock in gas production/ methane/ greenhouse gases for decades to come. This is a toxic project in so many ways. The U.N.'s Environment's Program, Production Gap Report tells us that the time to wind down fossil fuel is now, not begin building new ways of creating calamity.

Due to the above reasons I strongly object to the Narrabri Gas Project. Thank you for the opportunity to comment. I look forward to hearing from you in regards to this submission.

Yours sincerely,

Alesoun Marsden

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From: Brenton Rittberger <campaigns@good.do>
Sent: Monday, 10 August 2020 3:32 PM
To: IPCN Enquiries Mailbox
Subject: Submission: I object to the Narrabri gas project

To The Commissioners,

The process to extract the gas is too destructive to contemplate. Australia must not be trashed for the sake of bailing out Corporate incompetence.

I urge you to reject Santos' proposed Narrabri gasfield in the Pilliga forest.

- The Pilliga is uniquely important for Gomeroi people, for biodiversity and water resources.

- Industrialising it with 850 coal seam gas wells and countless roads, power lines and pipelines will irreparably damage its cultural, ecological and hydrological values.

- It will bring up 1.5GL of water and more than 13,000 tonnes of toxic salts every year, risking the Great Artesian Basin Southern Recharge, the Gunnedah Oxley Basin and local aquifers.

- This gasfield will add nearly 1 million tonnes every year to Australia's greenhouse gas emissions when our task is to reduce emissions by more than 7 million tonnes a year.

- And it won't even bring down gas or electricity prices for Aussies!

Yours sincerely,

Brenton Rittberger

West Bendigo, Victoria, 3550, Australia

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From: Elizabeth Wilkins <campaigns@good.do>
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- And it won't even bring down gas or electricity prices for Aussies!

How could anyone who cares for the future of humanity allow this poisonous, destructive project to go ahead.

Yours sincerely,

Elizabeth Wilkins

Bundagen, New South Wales, 2454, Australia

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- This gasfield will add nearly 1 million tonnes every year to Australia's greenhouse gas emissions when our task is to reduce emissions by more than 7 million tonnes a year.

- And it won't even bring down gas or electricity prices for Aussies! This will only make the quality of life for humans and animals worse. Please do not go ahead with this Gasfield

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From: Angela Law <campaigns@good.do>
Sent: Monday, 10 August 2020 3:34 PM
To: IPCN Enquiries Mailbox
Subject: STOP THE DESTRUCTION Submission: I object to the Narrabri gas project

Dear Commissioners,

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STOP THE DESTRUCTION

Yours sincerely,

Angela Law

Rochedale South, Queensland, 4123, Australia

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From: Sean O'Shannessy <campaigns@good.do>
Sent: Monday, 10 August 2020 3:37 PM
To: IPCN Enquiries Mailbox
Subject: Submission: I object to the Narrabri gas project

Dear Commissioners,

I wish to express my appreciation, respect and commendation to you all personally for the calm & professional manner in which you have conducted these proceedings.

I must admit you have given me hope for the future of civilisation at a time when it faces very real existential threats. We see a rise in autocratic authoritarian governments around the world as the climate emergency mounts. Obviously in the United States, China and Russia these tendencies are becoming alarming.

At the same time that democracy has been under assault, it is also being protected and supported in the streets by people across the world in movements such as the Extinction Rebellion, School Strike for Climate and the Knitting Nannas.

The conduct of this commission has reminded me of the call for people's assemblies to advise and inform our democratic processes. It seems to me that this process demonstrates one possibility of how that might look in the modern world.

I'm hoping that you are cognisant of this extraordinary moment that we're sharing, and I am allowing myself to hope that you are actually going to do the right thing here.

You know what that is.

About 95% of the submissions to this commission have told you what that is. It's a straightforward choice right now. You are either going to make the decision which is demanded of you by your responsibilities and the overwhelming majority of the people who have taken the time and effort to make verbal submissions to you.

OR your alternative is betraying democracy & your professional commitments, undermining Aussies hopes for a peaceful and just solution to this conflict and setting us on the path to lawlessness, violence & the potential collapse of civil society.

As I said I have allowed myself to become hopeful that this is going to go well for us all.

You have heard from experts in the sciences, the law, economics & industry. You have heard from traditional owners, local farmers, fires, mums and dads grandparents and relatively young people.

Hundreds of citizens of New South Wales have spoken here. For every one who has spoken thousands stand behind them. If you choose to ignore them they are not just going to lie down & play dead.

They have detailed at length the threats of this proposal, of poisoning our air, water and soil, undermining our ecology, climate & economy. I support the overwhelming majority of submissions to this commission which oppose the destruction of these fundamental values which we all share.

Something which I have not heard discussed enough so far in this submission process is the fundamentally anti-democratic nature of fossil fuel exploitation.

Fossil corporations poison not just our air, land & water but also our democracy. Fossil "donors" have seized control of both major political parties in Australia with their massive buckets of dirty money.

Their revolving door takes ministers and public officials of all stripes from their positions of responsibility and places them into lucrative sinecures to reward them for their compliance with the toxic agenda.

Coal, oil & gas barons pay little or no tax and yet demand multi-billion dollar handouts (with menaces)

They have royalty holidays and tax breaks and all manner of corporate welfare to which they seem to feel entitled. "Global fossil fuel subsidies reach \$5.2 trillion, and \$29 billion in Australia" Reads just one of many headlines (Renew Economy)

When an elected government suggests that fossil corporations should pay their way then they feel empowered to mount slick multi-million dollar PR campaigns against good governance.

They are aggressively supported by the Murdochcracy's shamelessly dishonest editorial edicts abusing and undermining the democratic processes of Australia and instructing Aussies as to the corrupt climate criminals that they should elect.

Don't get me started! I could talk at length about global war & genocide but we really don't have all day. I presume that you've heard of the middle east? Enough said.

Santos' proposal represents an assault on democratic processes which would condemn future generations of Australians to be lumbered with this stranded asset, this toxic useless white elephant of a project. Clearly NOBODY except SANTOS & its toadies wants that.

What everybody DOES want is Renewable Prosperity. A clean green future powered by abundant cheap carbon free energy with a stable climate, ecology and a just and peaceful civilisation.

As I said I have hope for this process, because I have trust in you.

I trust that you are human, that you, like all of us want to breathe clean air, drink clean water, and eat clean food. I trust that you like the rest of us need good governance, that like everybody else in this process you have families, parents, children, grandchildren, friends & colleagues with whom you wish to share a civil society.

I trust that your professionalism and your honour will dictate and demand that you do what is right in this process because you, like all of us, have to sleep at night.

I believe that there is only one choice for you now. Reject this proposal. The alternative is too horrible to contemplate.

I urge you to reject Santos' proposed Narrabri gasfield in the Pilliga forest.

- The Pilliga is uniquely important for Gomeroi people, for biodiversity and water resources.
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- It will bring up 1.5GL of water and more than 13,000 tonnes of toxic salts every year, risking the Great Artesian Basin Southern Recharge, the Gunnedah Oxley Basin and local aquifers.
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Yours sincerely,
Sean O'Shannessy

Toonumbar, New South Wales, 2480, Australia

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Sent: Monday, 10 August 2020 3:38 PM
To: IPCN Enquiries Mailbox
Subject: Submission: I object to the Narrabri gas project

Dear Commissioners,

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I care about the Pilliga as I taught in the outback for several years and it is a beautiful area in its own way and shouldn't be ruined. It is a sunny place and can be windy. Why not put your money into renewables. European countries are almost self sufficient with Renewables and they have far larger populations than ours and nowhere near as much sun.

Yours sincerely,

Jane Doherty

Orange , New South Wales, 2800, Australia

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From: Maliyaa Satour <campaigns@good.do>
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To: IPCN Enquiries Mailbox
Subject: Submission: I object to the Narrabri gas project

Dear Commissioners,

I urge you to reject Santos' proposed Narrabri gasfield in the Pilliga forest.

Why are you sacrificing our water for Santos? The Great Artesian Basin must be protected!

The Independent Planning Commission and NSW state government must listen to the people and stop Santos from wrecking the Pilliga Forest.

The Pilliga Forest belongs to the people. People have a right to know that it is a safe place to visit.

- The Pilliga is uniquely important for Gomeri people, for biodiversity and water resources.

- Industrialising it with 850 coal seam gas wells and countless roads, power lines and pipelines will irreparably damage its cultural, ecological and hydrological values.

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We are the guardians of this land. We must fight to protect the Pilliga and other vital natural treasures and hand them on intact to the coming generations. Please listen to us and stop Santos.

Yours sincerely,

Maliyaa Satour

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From: Jim Kelton <campaigns@good.do>
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To: IPCN Enquiries Mailbox
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You Planet Fuckers you !!

Yours sincerely,

Jim Kelton

Wujal Wujal, Queensland, 4895, Australia

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From: Ian Gaillard <campaigns@good.do>
Sent: Monday, 10 August 2020 3:48 PM
To: IPCN Enquiries Mailbox
Subject: the IPC must reject the Santos Narrabri Gas project

Dear Commissioners,

I urge you to reject Santos' proposed Narrabri gasfield in the Pilliga forest.

- The Pilliga is uniquely important for Gomeroi people, for biodiversity and water resources. In her submission Cathy Craigie spoke for traditional owners that the Gomeroi do not want this intrusion into land, water and culture. On these grounds alone this project should be rejected.

- Industrialising it with 850 coal seam gas wells and countless roads, power lines and pipelines will irreparably damage its cultural, ecological and hydrological values.

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Yours sincerely,

Ian Gaillard

The Freshwater, New South Wales, 2466, Australia

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From: Edwina Ryan <campaigns@good.do>
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To: IPCN Enquiries Mailbox
Subject: Submission: I object to the Narrabri gas project

Dear Commissioners,

I urge you to reject Santos' proposed Narrabri gasfield in the Pilliga forest.

Australia currently has one of the highest extinction rates on the planet, therefore it is extremely vital that we protect areas biological and cultural value.

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Please Preserve this area for our future generations, if we continue to put short term, non viable energy projects and profit ahead of long term conservation of our environment, it is these future generations that will wear the costs

Yours sincerely,
Edwina Ryan

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From: Lynette Aspey <campaigns@good.do>
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Yours sincerely,

Lynette Aspey

New South Wales, 2350, Australia

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From: Steve Blume <campaigns@good.do>
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To: IPCN Enquiries Mailbox
Subject: Submission: I object to the Narrabri gas project

Dear Commissioners,

Not only do I support the view points expressed by thousands in the standardised emails you will have received I am the President of the Smart Energy Council and csn confirm that;

- a) the agreement to allow the gas production to proceed is contrary to scientific evidence of what we need to do to fight climate change;
- b) there is no evidence that the project will reduce prices for consumers, in fact the opposite;
- c) the environmental damage for an operating life of under 20 years is short term thinking;
- d) methane “natural” gas has lifetime & lifecycle emissions similar to coal; and
- e) there are alternatives to provide energy with zero or very low emissions without the negative environmental consequences of this proposed project.

As other have said:

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Yours sincerely,

Steve Blume

Chapman, Australian Capital Territory, 2611, Australia

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From: Nick Scott <campaigns@good.do>
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Dear Commissioners,

I urge you to reject Santos' proposed Narrabri gasfield in the Pilliga forest.

- The development will destroy almost all of the vital Pilliga forest with its networks of roads gas well etc.

- the development and the fracking will cause great danger to local underground water supplies and almost certainly to the Great Artesian Basin close by.

Neither Santos or the NSW government has produced any meaningful information to allay these concerns about aquifer damage.

- This gasfield will add nearly 1 million tonnes every year to Australia's greenhouse gas emissions when our task is to reduce emissions by more than 7 million tonnes a year.

- And it won't even bring down gas or electricity prices for ordinary Australians!

-Gas projects such as these are now relics from the middle of the 20th century, we are now in the 21st and Santos needs to investigate the future of cheaper and safer renewables!

Yours sincerely,

Nick Scott

Bathurst, New South Wales, 2795, Australia

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From: Margaret Walters <campaigns@good.do>
Sent: Monday, 10 August 2020 3:59 PM
To: IPCN Enquiries Mailbox
Subject: Submission: I object to the Narrabri gas project

Dear Commissioners,

I urge you to refuse consent to Santos' proposed Narrabri gasfield in the Pilliga forest.

- The Pilliga is uniquely important for Gomeroi people, for biodiversity and water resources.

- Industrialising it with 850 coal seam gas wells and countless roads, power lines and pipelines will irreparably damage its cultural, ecological and hydrological values.

- It will bring up 1.5GL of water and more than 13,000 tonnes of toxic salts every year, risking the Great Artesian Basin Southern Recharge, the Gunnedah Oxley Basin and local aquifers.

- This gasfield will add nearly 1 million tonnes every year to Australia's greenhouse gas emissions when our task is to reduce emissions by more than 7 million tonnes a year.

- Gas is not a transition fuel - with a typical fugitive emissions loss of just 3% it is worse than coal.

- And it won't even bring down gas or electricity prices!

Please reject the proposal and save the Pilliga forest and future generations.

Yours sincerely,

Margaret Walters

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From: Peter Cooper <campaigns@good.do>
Sent: Monday, 10 August 2020 4:03 PM
To: IPCN Enquiries Mailbox
Subject: I OBJECT to the Narrabri Gas Project

Dear Independent Planning Commission,

You can include my name and submission on your website.

This is a submission on the Narrabri Gas Project.

I object to the proposed Narrabri Gas Project due to its significant environmental, heritage, social and economic impacts.

I am a retired public servant. I have spent the last five years researching the Narrabri Gas project. I have talked to experts and to many people who live and work in the immediate area of the project. There is an overwhelming community opposition to the project.

My objections are:

Aboriginal cultural heritage

The Pilliga is a hugely significant landscape for Gomeroi people. Santos' Aboriginal cultural heritage assessment identified 90 known Aboriginal cultural heritage sites in the project area, including rock shelters, burials and historic camps and hearths.

Santos promises its drill pads and infrastructure will avoid these sites, but they're based only on previous work. No detailed new surveys for Aboriginal cultural heritage have taken place yet.

Santos proposed to undertake detailed surveys after it gets approval and avoid newly found sites of high significance but by that time it will be too late to stop the gasfield.

Water

Over 20 years, Santos will remove 37.5 billion litres of water from deep below the Pilliga and treat it in the Leewood water treatment facility. This treatment will produce up to 840,000 tonnes of solid salt, laced with heavy metals, for which Santos still has no disposal plan.

Removing this water will cause depressurisation and loss of water in the Pilliga Sandstone, the southern recharge of the Great Artesian Basin, which outcrops in the Pilliga.

Santos has used the most basic level of groundwater model because of how little is known about the deep aquifers they will dewater to extract gas.

Santos anticipates leakage from the precious alluvium that lies above the coal seams despite claiming there is no linkage between the water sources. Landholders that rely on the GAB, the Gunnedah Oxley Basin and other groundwater in the area are strongly opposed to the project.

Social and economic impacts

Coal seam gas brings upheaval and division to rural communities. A CSIRO survey in 2014 found that only 6% of local people living in Queensland gasfield areas thought the industry had improved their lives while 42% said that they were “not coping” or “only just coping”.

Santos’ own assessment found that there would be “almost certain” impacts on housing affordability for Narrabri residents, which will disproportionately affect low-income households and Indigenous people, who are far more likely to be renters.

Claims of job creation are crucial to the project’s justification, with an anticipated average 190 jobs created locally and 322 in the rest of the state, but this comes at other industries’ expense.

Santos’ own assessment admits there would be lost employment in agriculture and manufacturing as a result of the project, despite unsubstantiated claims of flow on jobs in NSW.

Santos claims the gasfield is needed to “increase supplies” of gas, but there’s a glut of exported gas from Queensland and ships of Australian gas are sitting idle unwanted.

The majority of social impacts are proposed to be mitigated through the use of the Gas Community Benefit Fund, the use of the Community Consultative Committee and a range of Landholder Compensation agreements, ignoring many of the negative impacts of the project.

Biodiversity

The Pilliga is the largest temperate woodland in eastern Australia and CSG will industrialise 95,000 hectares of it, clearing nearly 1,000 hectares in small patches for well-pads, infrastructure and gaslines, including removal of several endangered ecological communities.

Only limited surveys were actually undertaken as part of the assessment of the gasfield, but these found 10 threatened plants and 35 threatened fauna in the gasfield area, including pygmy possums, koalas and the Pilliga mouse.

The Pilliga once hosted one of the most important koala populations in New South Wales, but the species is now on an extinction trajectory in the area. With so much habitat and lives lost to recent bushfires, it is crucial to the survival of the koala that its bushland habitats be spared industrialisation.

Greenhouse gases and climate change

Total greenhouse gas emissions produced by the project could be 127.8 million tonnes of carbon dioxide equivalent, or 5 million tonnes a year. In a time when Australia is struggling to meet its commitments under the Paris Climate Agreement, this one gasfield would increase Australia's greenhouse gas emissions by nearly 1% per year!

Mobilising methane in coal seams could lock in ongoing fugitive emissions of this potent greenhouse gas for decades to come.

Globally, the UN Environment Program's Production Gap Report in 2019 found that, "With average lifetimes of 20 years or longer for pipelines, terminals, wells, and platforms, the time to begin planning for a wind-down of gas production is, as with other fossil fuels, already upon us."

Their report found that to achieve the Paris Climate Agreement goal of keeping average global warming well below 2 degrees, global gas production needs to peak by 2030 and decline after that. To meet the safer 1.5 degrees warming limit, gas production needs to peak this year.

Due to the above reasons I strongly object to the Narrabri Gas Project.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment. I look forward to hearing from you in regards to this submission.

Yours sincerely,

Peter Cooper

Elands, New South Wales, 2429, Australia

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From: Andrew Martin <campaigns@good.do>
Sent: Monday, 10 August 2020 4:11 PM
To: IPCN Enquiries Mailbox
Subject: Submission: I object to the Narrabri gas project

Dear Commissioners,

I urge you to reject Santos' proposed Narrabri gasfield in the Pilliga forest.

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- And it won't even bring down gas or electricity prices for Aussies! Let alone bring wealth to Australia.

- From the truths listed above, this is NOT in Australia's best interests.

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From: Michael Riordan <campaigns@good.do>
Sent: Monday, 10 August 2020 4:13 PM
To: IPCN Enquiries Mailbox
Subject: Submission: I object to the Narrabri gas project

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-the chances of rehydrating and regenerating the Australian landscape and drought proofing Australia will be ruined by this project.

Yours sincerely,

Michael Riordan

Green Hills, New South Wales, 2323, Australia

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From: Prue Pike <campaigns@good.do>
Sent: Monday, 10 August 2020 4:23 PM
To: IPCN Enquiries Mailbox
Subject: Submission: I object to the Narrabri gas project

Dear Commissioners,

Please reject Santos' proposed Narrabri gasfield in the Pilliga Forest.

This project will have so many negative impacts on so many people within the community and the very land we live on. We can't get this wrong! If we break it, this is something that can not be fixed!

Yours sincerely,

Walgett, New South Wales, 2832, Australia

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From: Anne Ciesiolka <campaigns@good.do>
Sent: Monday, 10 August 2020 4:22 PM
To: IPCN Enquiries Mailbox
Subject: Submission: I object to the Narrabri gas project

Dear Commissioners,

I am writing to make a submission on the Narrabri Gas Project.

I am happy for my name and submission to be included on your website.

I object to the proposed Narrabri Gas Project and ask the Independent Planning Commission to reject this project. My concerns are listed below.

Negative effect on groundwater in the area.

Our family has been very successfully growing horticultural crops at Wee Waa for the last 49 and a half years, my husband and I having retired and left the area only last January. We have contributed to the economy of the district by the production of high value crops, such as peanuts, potatoes, wine grapes and oranges, and by our provision of employment and support for local businesses. We relied on the local groundwater supplies to achieve this success, and I am very concerned that the proposed Santos work will affect the groundwater resources by depressurising the sources and very likely affecting the recharge of the basin. There is also a very strong possibility of contamination from leakage of the coal seam level water. This would mean the loss of very valuable industries which potentially are much longer term for the district than coal seam gas mining.

The fact that insurance for farming business has been difficult to obtain because of the proposed coal seam gas mining shows that our concerns are shared by other sectors of the business community. For many years our Cara Cara orange orchard was certified organic by ACO (Australian Certified Organic) and I believe it would be almost impossible to obtain certification while there are risks of contamination to the groundwater reserves from coal seam gas mining. There is also a risk of contamination from the proposed disposal of waste via Bohena Creek during high flows. I am aware that the proposal includes the intention to treat the waste water so that it is regarded as potable, but there is a huge difference between what mining interests regard as potable and what is acceptable for organic operations. Bohena Creek is upstream of the area we farmed, so that it would be highly possible that a flood event could mean this potentially contaminated water could flow across the or

chard. Organic auditors would most be likely to regard this risk as unacceptable.

I am also concerned that the fact that we no longer reside in the Narrabri district appears to be regarded as diminished value of our interest. When one approaches one's eighties, one needs to make decisions about how to live out one's declining years, and the fact that we chose to leave the area so that we could actually stop working, both on the farm and with extensive community commitments does not diminish the interest we have in the area we have given our guts to during our working life.

Negative effect on the ecology of the area.

Climate impact

If we are to have any hope of keeping global warming below 2°C gas must be kept in the ground.

This gas field will release at least 94.2 million tonnes of potent climate pollution during mining and when the gas is burned for energy, and fugitive methane emissions are likely to be underestimated.

Existing coal and gas fields will push the world past globally agreed temperature goals. There is no room, or need, for more. The rapid development of battery storage technology makes renewable energy sources backed by batteries a cheaper, cleaner option than developing more gas.

New gas production is an unnecessary and dangerous step in Australia's efforts to tackle climate change. Australia is highly vulnerable to climate change impacts like bushfires, drought and extreme heat. More gas extraction increases our exposure to climate risks.

Threatened species

This project will endanger koalas and two rare and iconic bird species - the swift parrot and the regent honeyeater.

The swift parrot is critically endangered. The total swift parrot population is estimated to be no more than 1000 pairs. Habitat loss is a contributing factor in the decline of this species.

The regent honeyeater has become an icon for birdwatchers in NSW. It is a threatened woodland species whose conservation will benefit a large suite of other threatened and declining woodland fauna.

There have been koala sightings in the Pilliga East State Forest. The Western Woodlands Alliance classifies that state forest as a priority area for koala conservation. Koala skulls have been discovered in the project area, further evidence of their presence.

No need for more gas

Almost all gas produced in eastern Australia is exported via the LNG terminals at Gladstone. Production of gas from the proposed Narrabri field will be very expensive, particularly if the proponent is required to abide by the conditions of the Chief Scientist's Report. So it is most unlikely that any gas produced will be available at favourable prices for business or home use.

It would be better for governments to protect Australian businesses and households from gas supply shortages, by providing help for them to substitute gas usage by promoting electrification, such as heat pumps for hot water, reverse-cycle air conditioning for space heating and induction cooktops.

For these reasons I strongly object to the Narrabri Gas Project. Thank you for the opportunity to comment. I look forward to hearing from you in regards to this submission.

Yours Sincerely,

Anne Ciesiolka,

Point Lookout QLD 4138

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From: Christine Cocks <campaigns@good.do>
Sent: Monday, 10 August 2020 4:27 PM
To: IPCN Enquiries Mailbox
Subject: Submission: I object to the Narrabri gas project

Dear Commissioners,

As an Australian I am wearying of the continued destruction of our country and loss of species, all for energy sources that can be obtained by cleaner methods than mining.

I urge you to reject Santos' proposed Narrabri gasfield in the Pilliga forest.

- The Pilliga is uniquely important for Gomeri people, for biodiversity and water resources.

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- It will bring up 1.5GL of water and more than 13,000 tonnes of toxic salts every year, risking the Great Artesian Basin Southern Recharge, the Gunnedah Oxley Basin and local aquifers.

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Yours sincerely,

Christine Cocks

Mapleton, Queensland, 4560, Australia

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From: Karen Albert <campaigns@good.do>
Sent: Monday, 10 August 2020 4:30 PM
To: IPCN Enquiries Mailbox
Subject: Submission: I object to the Narrabri gas project

Dear Commissioners,

I'm including factual and important points below as detailed by Lock the Gate Alliance. Please note that I am in total agreement with them. This is tantamount to ENVIRONMENTAL TERRORISM. Do not allow this to go ahead.

I urge you to reject Santos' proposed Narrabri gasfield in the Pilliga forest.

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Yours sincerely,

Karen Albert

Toolara Forest, Queensland, 4570, Australia

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From: Maria Santos <campaigns@good.do>
Sent: Monday, 10 August 2020 4:30 PM
To: IPCN Enquiries Mailbox
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Clean air and pastoral land for us and future generations.

Yours sincerely,

Maria Santos

Seaforth, New South Wales, 2092, Australia

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From: Elisabeth Mortimer <campaigns@good.do>
Sent: Monday, 10 August 2020 4:30 PM
To: IPCN Enquiries Mailbox
Subject: I OBJECT to the Narrabri Gas Project

Dear Independent Planning Commission,

You can include my name and submission on your website.

This is a submission on the Narrabri Gas Project.

I object with all my heart to the proposed Narrabri Gas Project due to its significant environmental, heritage, social and economic impacts.

I live in Bowraville and am in contact with First Nation's People. I make this submission for personal reasons and on behalf of Mother Earth. My major concern is dishonesty due to greed. to wreck this land which we white men only invaded in real terms a few years ago. "Water is Life," and any abuse of our ground water is criminal as we will lose water to mining, water is more valuable than gold as we cannot live without it. The Great Artesian Basin has artesian water that has taken ions to build up and will be polluted by mining. We cannot afford to take a gamble with mining when our pristine water is at risk. yes our pristine water is an asset which can be sold to countries that have become dried out. Look at the water shortage in Palestine.

In this so called, "Lucky Country," the Great Southland we have abundant sunshine, wind and water flow and can make our own energy. So I urge you to keep gas in the ground, where it is made to be kept.

There is no adequate plan to dispose of the killing salt waste. Salt will leach into groundwater, farmlands and our eco-system.

There are significant hazards to flora and fauna, in the 1,000 hectares of the largest temperate woodland in NSW. This must be saved and not cleared by Santos.

CSG is not worth the risk to our pristine water supply. We need manufacturing for jobs not mining.

Due to the above reasons I strongly object to the Narrabri Gas Project. Thank you for the opportunity to comment. I look forward to hearing from you in regards to this submission.

Yours sincerely,

Elisabeth Mortimer

Bowraville, New South Wales, 2449, Australia

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From: Amy Hubers <campaigns@good.do>
Sent: Monday, 10 August 2020 4:31 PM
To: IPCN Enquiries Mailbox
Subject: Submission: I object to the Narrabri gas project

Dear Commissioners,

I object to the burning of fossil fuels, I object to using water to extract gas or coal. I object for our future and that of our children

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Yours sincerely,

Amy Hubers

Pappinbarra, New South Wales, 2446, Australia

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From: Rhonda Hodges <campaigns@good.do>
Sent: Monday, 10 August 2020 4:41 PM
To: IPCN Enquiries Mailbox
Subject: Submission: I object to the Narrabri gas project

Dear Commissioners,

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I love the Pilliga, leave it alone, fracking is bad everywhere it exists, why do more bad things to this area too?

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From: Victoria Parsons <campaigns@good.do>
Sent: Monday, 10 August 2020 4:43 PM
To: IPCN Enquiries Mailbox
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Please respond by rejecting Santos's proposal.

Yours sincerely,

Victoria Parsons

Suffolk Park, New South Wales, 2481, Australia

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From: jeremy judd <campaigns@good.do>
Sent: Monday, 10 August 2020 4:45 PM
To: IPCN Enquiries Mailbox
Subject: Submission: I object to the Narrabri gas project

Dear Commissioners,

As a prior resident of the Pilliga area with strong ties to the cultural and environmental security of the land,

I urge you to reject Santos' proposed Narrabri gasfield in the Pilliga forest.

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Yours sincerely,

jeremy judd

Kallaroo, Western Australia, 6025, Australia

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From: Joshua Challis <campaigns@good.do>
Sent: Monday, 10 August 2020 4:46 PM
To: IPCN Enquiries Mailbox
Subject: Submission: I object to the Narrabri gas project

Dear Commissioners,

We are at a point in human history where we have, for all intents and purposes, become larger than nature itself. It is no longer our survival, but nature's survival that is in question. This is apparent for the short term, at least, but of course in the long term if nature falls then we fall. If we damage and pollute our world we will damage and pollute ourselves, through the water we drink, the air we breathe, the food we eat. If this project goes ahead it will also contribute to the climate catastrophe we are currently facing. We need far less polluting projects and far more clean, renewable solutions ...

I urge you to reject Santos' proposed Narrabri gasfield in the Pilliga forest.

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Yours sincerely,

Joshua Challis

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From: Greg Betts <campaigns@good.do>
Sent: Monday, 10 August 2020 4:48 PM
To: IPCN Enquiries Mailbox
Subject: Submission: I object to the Narrabri gas project

Dear Commissioners,

As 30 yr family custodians fo the 'Airland's Precinct' situated on lease in the middle of the Pilliga Forest,

I urge you to reject Santos' proposed Narrabri gasfield in the Pilliga forest.

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Yours sincerely,

Greg Betts

Northmead, New South Wales, 2152, Australia

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From: kathryn thompson <campaigns@good.do>
Sent: Monday, 10 August 2020 4:49 PM
To: IPCN Enquiries Mailbox
Subject: Submission: I object to the Narrabri gas project

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Yours sincerely,

kathryn thompson

White Gums, Northern Territory, 0870, Australia

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From: Michael Logan <campaigns@good.do>
Sent: Monday, 10 August 2020 4:50 PM
To: IPCN Enquiries Mailbox
Subject: Submission: I object to the Narrabri gas project

Dear Commissioners,

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While I don't currently live in the Narrabri area, I lived in the Liverpool Plains area for many years and understand the damage that this proposal is threatening.

The damage to the long term future of this entire area and the threat to its cultural heritage will be irreversible. Santos has a very poor history of conserving areas in which they operate and this alone demands a serious rethink of this project.

We simply cannot countenance such further exploitation of our national heritage.

Yours sincerely,

Michael Logan

Spring Terrace, New South Wales, 2798, Australia

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From: Madelaine Sexton <campaigns@good.do>
Sent: Monday, 10 August 2020 4:51 PM
To: IPCN Enquiries Mailbox
Subject: Submission: I object to the Narrabri gas project

Dear Commissioners,

I urge you to reject Santos' proposed Narrabri gasfield in the Pilliga forest. I drove past the Pilliga every year on my way to visit my family in QLD and I don't want to see it ruined. Here are a few of my concerns:

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Yours sincerely,

Madelaine Sexton

Upwey, Victoria, 3158, Australia

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From: Michael Banner <campaigns@good.do>
Sent: Monday, 10 August 2020 4:51 PM
To: IPCN Enquiries Mailbox
Subject: Submission: I object to the Narrabri gas project

Dear Commissioners,

The proposed Santos Narrabri Pilliga Forest gas field decision presents you with a major challenge. This large-scale project has numerous complex and far-reaching outcomes and consequences. There are several identified technical/environmental/health issues of major concern, and likely unidentified short- and long-term risks specific to this geographical area. I will not reiterate these well-documented substantial issues, objections and risks, as they have been identified and discussed comprehensively in submissions from many other responding groups and individuals.

I wish to focus my deep concern on whether regulatory measures imposed for enforcing strict monitoring and reporting can realistically have the capacity to monitor and, if necessary, curtail the severe environmental degradation that precedent tells us may occur. Past experience has shown that the public interest in such projects is very difficult to protect, both contractually and operationally, and is therefore highly vulnerable to negative environmental outcomes (e.g. as highlighted in the comprehensive and informative submission below to the Victorian Government, who decided to prohibit CSG fracking.:

https://www.parliament.vic.gov.au/images/stories/committees/EPC/Submission_416_-_Doctors_for_Environment_Australia_.pdf

Curiously, this report's comments on page 4 describing documented attendant health risks mention the disturbing finding that in March 2014 a water leak from a storage pond at Santos' CSG project in NSW contaminated groundwater with uranium up to levels 20 times higher than safe drinking limits.

I therefore highlight the environmental monitoring and public reporting aspect as one of the major issues for critical attention in your deliberations. I would urge you to deny approval for this major resource project to go ahead should there be any avenues left open that could lead to potential large-scale environmental damage and degradation to the terrestrial and atmospheric integrity of this highly significant geographical area.

Yours sincerely,

(Em. Prof) Michael Banner

Northbridge, New South Wales, 2063, Australia

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From: Alan Hill <campaigns@good.do>
Sent: Monday, 10 August 2020 4:54 PM
To: IPCN Enquiries Mailbox
Subject: Submission: I object to the Narrabri gas project

Dear Commissioners,

I am urging you to reject the Santos proposed Narrabri Garfield project.

The project presents un-acceptable risks to the farmers by risking damaging the Great Artesian Basin aquifer.

Drilling also puts surface water at risk of pollution from bi products of gas extraction. Santos has already demonstrated it cannot yet deal with wastes from gas extraction.

The project is rejected by the Indigenous owners of the region, the Gomoroi people. Far too long, the conquering European society has treated the First Nations with contempt. Please respect their wishes.

We do not need the gas. There is enough gas available in Australia for all our needs until gas and fossil fuels are phased out by the rapid uptake of renewables.

The gas will not be wasted if it remains underground. It is possible that a future, sustainable, non polluting use may be found for the gas. The gas will be wasted if it is burned for unproductive uses, just to make money for Santos.

I urge you to look at Santos's track record in rehabilitating sites already damaged, to investigate their behaviour as a corporate citizen. The company has been named by the Michael West report as a major tax avoider, if this is the case it profits at the expense of the community.

I am a volunteer fire fighter with the RFS. The RFS opposed the gas field development as the flares of "waste gas", mainly methane, is a fire risk in these woodlands. Last summer's bushfires should alert everyone to the risks of fires in a warming climate.

Coal seam gas is not clean energy. Methane is about 30 times worse than CO2 as a green house gas, there are always leaks of methane with CSG Extraction.

Santos will be interested in short term profit for its shareholders, not in the values of the local people who love the land they live and work on.

Landline on the ABC yesterday showed how Santos has ruined the lives of farmers who are opposing the gas fields.

The agricultural lands around Narrabri are some of the best soils in the country. I implore you to ensure that these farm lands, and the wild lands of the Pilliga remain healthy for future generations, not damaged or destroyed for a quick profit for a few people.

We don't need an extra near 1 million tonnes of greenhouse gas added to Australia's emissions, as a result of this project

Renewables already are fulfilling most of our energy needs. We do not need this project to go ahead.

Yours sincerely,

Alan Hill,

Elvina Bay, New South Wales, 2105, Australia

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From: Rodney Browne <campaigns@good.do>
Sent: Monday, 10 August 2020 4:55 PM
To: IPCN Enquiries Mailbox
Subject: Submission: I object to the Narrabri gas project

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While water and salt management is a major concern, we are particularly upset at the prospect of such a dense network of clearing, roads and pipelines on the ecosystems, vegetation and wildlife of the Pilliga Forest, especially in an era when the conservation of large areas of forested land is critical for the planet. Furthermore, if such a pattern is later extended across the farming land of north west NSW, it will drive agriculture out. The disruption to farming life and activities, both physically and socially, will be of long term detriment to the nation's food and fibre production and economic income. The gas industry is likely to be a short term option, eventually displaced by renewable energy industries.

Yours sincerely,

Rodney & Mary Browne

Gunnedah, New South Wales, 2380, Australia

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From: Ann Flynn <campaigns@good.do>
Sent: Monday, 10 August 2020 4:57 PM
To: IPCN Enquiries Mailbox
Subject: Submission: I object to the Narrabri gas project

Dear Commissioners,

I ask you to reject the proposed Narrabri Gas Project in the Pilliga State Forest for the following reasons:

Threat to water:

It appears likely Santos has underestimated risks to groundwater from its proposed Narrabri gasfield. Experts are concerned that essential data was overlooked in Santos' environmental assessment.

The UNSW paper found there may be much more connection between the coal seams and the aquifers of the region than Santos and the Government believe:

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S0048969719349198>

This would mean that if Santos's proposal is approved, there is significantly greater potential for cross-contamination of groundwater with gas, and leakage of water out of crucial aquifers, than currently assumed.

As Santos has not properly taken this information into account in groundwater modelling, the company has not presented a total and all-encompassing account of the possible risks to groundwater from the Narrabri gas project.

At a time when Australia is facing worsening droughts, due to climate change, protecting this groundwater system is absolutely vital.

The NSW Farmers Association are rightly opposed to the project due to the unacceptable risk to groundwater. The very productive farms in the region of the proposed gas development, depend on the underground aquifers. Especially as the area is a low rainfall region, getting heavily impacted by increasing droughts from climate change.

Water experts say the gas project poses significant groundwater risk in the region, where high quality, high yielding aquifers support numerous water users and ecosystems.

The area recharges the Great Artesian Basin, Australia's most important aquifer system.

The project would draw 1.5GL of water from the aquifer each year, threatening to drawdown the water supply.

I ask that the Commissioners take into account the above UNSW report, which puts doubt on Santos' water impact studies, and reject this Santos Gas project as it poses too much threat to our water security, via the real threat of contamination and drawdown of this essential groundwater system.

Trusting Santos to undertake detailed base-line studies after approval is not acceptable, as the company has already failed to undertake in depth field-based studies despite expert advice to do so. And no amount of studies will remove the risk of contamination to this system from the project, due to the invasive nature of the fracking process which is not exact.

Climate Change and Greenhouse Gas Emissions:

Our prior Chief Scientist, Professor Penny Sackett has said Australia is already emitting too much green house gas to meet our Paris Agreement target of keeping global warming to well below 2 degrees C.

It is estimated that the Santos Project will add about 5 MtCO₂ [million tonnes of greenhouse gasses] annually to Australia's direct emissions at a time when Australia needs to find about 7.5 MtCO₂ new reduction every year to meet its 2030 goal."

The amount of greenhouse gases from the Narrabri Gas Project amounts to 11% of the NSW carbon budget.

Climate scientists have already concluded that human-caused climate change is a direct result of extracting and burning fossil fuel reserves.

Australia is one of the most vulnerable countries to the effects of a warming planet. With more extreme events such as droughts, fires, floods and deadly heat waves.. And we are already seeing this played out in real time with the catastrophic Australian fires of 2019-20 which burned for more than six months.

This impacts all of us. The world is now experiencing heatwaves in the Arctic Circle, the tundra is on fire, disasters such as the Russia diesel spill occurring due to permafrost melt, and ice shelves melting and becoming unstable.

Experts in climate science say we are close to reaching tipping points, and that we only have a decade to prevent catastrophic global warming. Now is not the time to be massively expanding our fossil fuel extraction.

We could instead be leaders in the global action to mitigate the worst effects of climate change and keep the temperature rise to below 2 degrees C, by reducing our greenhouse gas emissions, and moving to a sustainable, renewable energy system.

No AEMO plan for transition to clean energy includes the increased use of gas. Gas is a fossil fuel and when fugitive leaks & flaring are taken into account it is a high emissions industry, with close to the emissions intensity of coal.

Also, several of the Santos test wells were found to have high CO2 content, up to 90%. Yet, Santos' estimate for CO2 content in the gas was a much lower figure of around 5%. This waste CO2 would also be going straight into the atmosphere.

Expert marine scientists say that at 2 degrees C global warming , 99% of all coral reefs in the world will be lost due to marine heat waves.

I ask the Commissioners to take into account the effect on our ecosystems & wildlife if this project was to proceed and add so much to our greenhouse gas emissions.

Employment:

A study was conducted in Queensland regarding jobs in the gas industry. It found that for every new job in the gas industry, 1.8 jobs were lost in the agriculture sector.

It is unacceptable then, that the project is said to be supported on the grounds of creating jobs., when the net effect is a loss of jobs. It's easy to see why the farming communities are objecting to this project.

Also, with experts saying this project is at odds with reaching the Paris Agreement target to keep temperature rise to below 2 degrees C, it is highly likely that an emissions intensive project like this will increase the likelihood of our Great Barrier Reef being affected by worsening marine heat waves, to the point of the coral ecosystem's collapsing.

The worlds coral reefs are necessary to 25% of fish populations. The loss of reefs would have a high impact on food security for hundreds of thousands of people.

And as the GBR supports 69 000 jobs both directly in tourism & indirectly through the services sector, we need to reject further expansion of fossil fuel reserves, the emissions from would add to the current global warming of over more than 1 degree C.

The GBR has now suffered three mass bleachings in the last 5 years. This is a direct result of climate change and 50% of corals haven't recovered. The effect on our tourism if global warming is not kept below 2 degrees C is clear. The GBR would no longer be the living coral ecosystem that its many tourist sites are today, which would obviously have an impact on GBR tourism.

<https://www.cbsnews.com/news/climate-change-coral-reef-habitat/>

I ask the Commissioners to take into account the net effect on jobs from the Santos Project which would actually be a negative figure from jobs lost in agriculture and potentially in tourism.

Traditional Custodians and Local Community:

The Pilliga area is uniquely important to the Gomileroi people who have also raised concerns about the project's impacts on the biodiversity and environment, especially on the groundwater of the Great Artesian Basin. These traditonal owners have opposed the project for many years as they see it as destructive of country.

Industrialisation of the landscape with 850 wells, roads, gas infrastructure and massive truck movements is unacceptable to these people, as it is to the farmers and community of Narrabri.

Salt waste disposal:

The project will produce huge amounts of salt waste for which there is no plan for disposal. This waste would contain heavy metals and other toxins.

“The estimation of toxic salt produced by the project has doubled to 840,000 tons since the EIS was published in 2017.”

<https://independentaustralia.net/business/business-display/still-no-solution-for-santos-toxic-waste,14155>

I ask that the Commissioners reject the project based on this toxic waste problem for which there is no solution.

Gas prices and the falling demand for gas:

We are told the project is needed to bring down electricity and gas prices, and as a transition fuel in the change to renewable energy.

But again experts say this is not true.

World demand for gas is falling and Santos' total writedowns since 2014 are close to \$8 billion.

Why should tax money be put towards this Santos project at a time when the gas industry worldwide is in decline. This would be passing risk of stranded assets to the public purse.

We are paying too much for gas due to the cartel like behaviour of a few gas companies. People using our exported gas in Japan pay less than half the amount we do locally. The government has allowed this situation to develop and the high gas price has pushed up electricity prices due to gas fired power.

With renewable energy increasing to cover electric needs even less gas will be needed.

Experts say the government just needs to reserve a small amount of the gas currently exported, to cover any shortfall in gas supply locally, as renewable energy supply ramps up.

The project should be rejected on the grounds that it is economically risky and would be using tax payer funding then at risk. It is not necessary as a transition fuel as no AEMO plan for transition the clean energy includes increased use of gas, and the project will not bring gas/electricity prices down.

Conclusion:

I ask the Commission to reject this Narrabri Gas project as being too risky on so many levels, toxic waste, economically risky, climate change risk, not bringing net increase in employment, traditional owners opposition, industrialisation of rural area, and due to the threat it poses to water and food security.

Sincerely,

Ann Flynn

Yours sincerely,

Ann Flynn

Akaroa, Tasmania, 7216, Australia

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From: jodie Gream <campaigns@good.do>
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To: IPCN Enquiries Mailbox
Subject: Submission: I object to the Narrabri gas project

Dear Commissioners,

I urge you to reject Santos' proposed Narrabri gasfield in the Pilliga forest.

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- Without health there is no long term wealth. Desertification in 3rd world countries drives poverty, famine, poor health and political unrest. Australian's deserve better. Why can't our country set new trends of healthy options rather than repeating mistakes of other countries?

Yours sincerely,

jodie Gream

New South Wales, 2340, Australia

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From: Alex Marley <campaigns@good.do>
Sent: Monday, 10 August 2020 4:59 PM
To: IPCN Enquiries Mailbox
Subject: Submission: I object to the Narrabri gas project

Dear Commissioners,

I am writing to urge you to reject Santos' proposed Narrabri gasfield in the Pilliga forest, due to unacceptable climate impacts in this critical decade, as well as unacceptable local impacts to the land and water of the Pilliga.

This gasfield will add nearly 1 million tonnes every year to Australia's greenhouse gas emissions when we urgently need to reduce emissions by more than 7 million tonnes a year.

Australia's remaining emission budget from Jan 2017 until 2050 for a 50% chance of warming to stay below 1.5C warming relative to pre-industrial levels was estimated to be 5.5 GTCO_{2e}. Adding the GHG emissions expended since then leaves 6-7 years left at present emission rates of the 2013-2050 emission budget to stay below 1.5°C, which may see Australia exceeding its carbon budget for 2050 by 2026.

Therefore, approval of this project would be inconsistent with the remaining carbon budget and the Paris Agreement climate target.

The Pilliga area is uniquely important for Gomeri people, for biodiversity and water resources. Industrialising this area with 850 coal seam gas wells, roads, power lines and pipelines will irreparably damage its cultural, ecological and hydrological values.

This project poses significant risk to the Great Artesian Basin Southern Recharge, the Gunnedah Oxley Basin and local aquifers as it will bring up 1.5GL of water and more than 13,000 tonnes of toxic salts every year. It is not worth destroying these precious and ancient assets for a short-term project.

And we know that due to market settings, this project won't bring down gas or electricity prices in Australia.

Please reject this project

Yours sincerely,

Alex Marley

Tamworth,

New South Wales, 2340, Australia

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From: Joan Faulkner <campaigns@good.do>
Sent: Monday, 10 August 2020 5:00 PM
To: IPCN Enquiries Mailbox
Subject: Submission: I object to the Narrabri gas project

Dear Commissioners,

I urge you to reject Santos' proposed Narrabri gasfield in the Pilliga forest.

- The Pilliga is uniquely important for Gomeroi people, for biodiversity and water resources.

- Industrialising it with 850 coal seam gas wells and countless roads, power lines and pipelines will irreparably damage its cultural, ecological and hydrological values.

- It will bring up 1.5GL of water and more than 13,000 tonnes of toxic salts every year, risking the Great Artesian Basin Southern Recharge, the Gunnedah Oxley Basin and local aquifers.

- This gasfield will add nearly 1 million tonnes every year to Australia's greenhouse gas emissions when our task is to reduce emissions by more than 7 million tonnes a year.

- And it won't even bring down gas or electricity prices for Aussies!

I agree with all the points listed above.

I think the use of our precious ground water & endangering the farmers livelihoods, disrupting the environment & ruining the potential for food production is a wicked misuse of the potential of the land.

Yours sincerely,

Joan Faulkner

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From: Jennie Minifie <campaigns@good.do>
Sent: Monday, 10 August 2020 5:00 PM
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Subject: Objection to the Narrabri gas project

Dear Commissioners,

This is my personal submission objecting to

Santos' proposed Narrabri gasfield in the Pilliga forest.

I am a descendant of the colonial settlers who commenced taking up land in the area of north-western NSW in the early 19 century for grazing and I have a strong commitment to the conservation of the natural and cultural heritage of the sub-region, including the Pilliga Forest.

The Pilliga Forest is culturally significant for the Gomeroi people, with many places having high cultural values. Research studies have revealed

important archaeological evidence of the Aboriginal people right across Australia and the Pilliga Forest should be protected for it's heritage significance and potential to yield more evidence.

The biodiversity and water resources of the Pilliga Forest are under severe threat from extreme weather events; noticeably drought, high temperatures and bushfires, resulting from climate change.

The Koala and other threatened species in the Pilliga Forest require positive action by government and landowners to preserve their habitat. The proposed development will further reduce and destroy the natural habitat in the Forest, if approved. There is sufficient information from scientific and ecological studies now available to the NSW Government to recognise the potential for the proposed project to threaten the viability of the Koala population and other threatened species in the Pilliga Forest.

The Koala was once common along the Rivers and Creeklines of NSW and in the Forests. The NSW Government has to assess the potential risk of extinctions when making a decision on the proposed development. The evidence to date is indicative that the threatened populations in the Pilliga Forest require the listing of critical habitat for survival, now. Approval of projects such as the Narrabri Gas Project cannot be approved without serious impacts on the natural environment, and must be refused.

The project, if approved, will have adverse environmental impacts from development of 580 coal seam gas wells, access roads, power lines and pipelines. These will irreparably damage its cultural, ecological and hydrological values.

The project, if approved, will bring up 1.5GL of water and more than 13,000 tonnes of toxic salts every year, risking the Great Artesian Basin Southern Recharge, the Gunnedah Oxley Basin and local aquifers.

It will also add nearly 1 million tonnes every year to Australia's greenhouse gas emissions when our goal is to reduce emissions by more than 7 million tonnes a year! Climate change is already adversely impacting on our environment, including the Pilliga Forest. Approval of the Narrabri gas project would contribute to adverse impacts on the health and wellbeing of the Australian people and the environment. It should be rejected.

Gas and electricity prices for Australians will not even be reduced if this project goes ahead. The project does not tick the economic, social or environmental boxes.

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