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Further to the IPC questions arising.

I am opposed to the Hume Coal Project and will comment on the matters raised.

#### 1 Rail & Transport Corridor -

Currently there are two large projects proposed in the Berrima / Moss Vale region which appear not to have been considered in the proposal.

- Bowral Bricks quarry in Berrima
- Plastics Recycling Plant in Moss Vale

Both of these projects will significantly increase transport issues in the Berrima / Moss Vale region and so impact on transport delays. Also any delay due to transport movement is a significant delay.

#### 2 Bore water -

In addition to the detrimental effect of damage to bore water supplies, the majority of Sydney Water supply sources originate in creeks and rivers which begin in the western region of the Southern Highlands. Any disruption will impact on Sydney Water.

#### 3 Air Quality

I would like to mention the proposed coal stockpile planned for the South West of Berrima and its impact on Berrima and the Southern Highlands. As the stockpile will not be covered, then it will have to be watered regularly to prevent particulate matter being blown over Berrima. I can only hope that Hume Coal have a good source of water from their bore.

#### 4 Tourism

Tourism in Berrima will be impacted significantly and the loss of 196 jobs will not be offset by the proposed mining positions as they require very different employee demographics and skills.

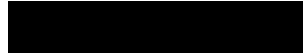
#### 5 \$ Value

A recent economic statement from Wingecarribee Shire Council

states that the local region benefits by approximately \$1 million per week from wedding tourism. Berrima is at the epicentre of the wedding tourism business in the local government area and so would be impacted by the 'significant localised impacts' mentioned in the report.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

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