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Dear people,

I've read the NSW Independent Planning Commission's transcript of proceedings RE: GLENDELL CONTINUED OPERATIONS PROJECT (SSD-9349) AND MOUNT OWEN CONTINUED OPERATIONS MOD 4 PROJECT (SSD-5850-MOD-4) with Heritage NSW and wish to express my strong opposition to Glencore's project and to express my strong support of Heritage NSW.

I oppose plans by multinational mining giant Glencore to turn the extraordinary Ravensworth Estate into a coal pit. We must stop the tendency to ignore global warming due to fossil fuel use by continuing practices promoted by government decisions that foster fossil fuel extraction, sale and use. We must stop miners destroying heritage values for short term profits for the few.

Ravensworth Estate is a significant and extensive area where the history of colonialization in NSW and its impacts on indigenous people is materially located. The proposals to relocate the Ravensworth Homestead are unacceptable because relocation would remove the homestead from its context where historically significant interactions, often violent, occurred between colonisers and indigenous people. The landscape tells a story as much as a construction. Removing the homestead removes the story of the surrounding landscape with its intangible values.

It has also been argued by experts and interested people that any relocation of the Ravensworth Homestead would diminish its significance to meet the threshold for State Heritage Listing. So why is this even being considered?

We know from experience in modern times that mining restoration does not restore landscapes in any meaningful way to maintain its earlier values. The Glencore / Glendell proposed mining plan indicates it hopes to surround the Ravensworth Estate with a network of deep lakes in an artificial landscape. So another tourist park like Disney Land. This is unacceptable.

I urge the NSW Independent Planning Commission to dismiss Glencore's proposals and arguments to expand its Glendell coal mining operation in NSW. Please make historical, cultural and environmental values take priority over short term coal profits for the few.

Kind regards,

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