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I am emailing to condemn the expansion of the Glendell Coal mine in the Ravensworth Estate.

The Ravensworth Estate needs to be saved and not lost for the short-term monetary gain for the few.

Ravensworth Estate sits on one of the earliest sites of colonial settlement and frontier conflict in the Hunter and remarkably, its homestead and surrounds remain largely intact.

Heritage agencies say Ravensworth homestead and the surrounding area:

- has the strongest documentary evidence of any conflict site across the Hunter Valley, including the event known as the Ravensworth massacre.
- tells the story of shared Aboriginal and European heritage
- is rare and exceptionally intact.

Its rarity and importance has been compared to the World Heritage convict sites in Tasmania, and the significance of the massacre site has been compared to world war battlefields in Europe.

As Heritage NSW said in the meeting with the IPC, removing the building and mining the landscape 'diminishes' an *"opportunity for truth-telling and it diminishes the opportunity for us to come together as Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal people that live in this country"*.

They say *"if we keep dismantling these cultural landscapes we won't have the opportunity to share ... stories"* that need to be shared.

We need to protect our land - the actual land and environment for future generations to know and enjoy. We can't keep removing it, using and abusing it and then leaving a mess for future generations.

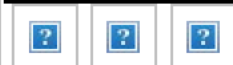
Please do not let the expansion of the Glendell Mine go ahead.

Sincerely,

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*Yii Birpai Barray - This is Birpai Country*  
*Gathay Nyiirun Wakulda - Let us all go together as one!*

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