



GEOFFREY JONES

OBJECT

Submission No: 165375

Organisation:	<p><i>Energy Transition, Biodiversity, Visual impacts, Traffic and transport, Noise and vibration, Heritage, Agricultural impacts and land use, Social and economic, Physiological - infrasound noise / electromagnetic interference / shadow flicker / blade glint</i></p>
Location: <i>New South Wales 2354</i>	
Submitter Type: <i>I am a member of the local community who would be particularly and directly affected by the proposed development</i>	
Attachment:	

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Submission on Thunderbolt Wind Farm SSD-10807896

I object to this development proposal for the following reasons:

1. *Bushfire – I am concerned that my property and life will be at risk of bushfire because:*
 - a. *Aerial support will not be available for a 3 km no fly zone around the turbines.*
 - b. *Ground crews will find it difficult to fight the fire on the project site.*
2. *Health – I have health issues that require fast access to ambulance services. I am concerned that the wind farm infrastructure will interfere with telecommunications in our district making access to ambulance difficult.*
3. *Wildlife – koalas in particular. I am concerned that koala habitat and therefore koalas will be damaged by the clearing associated with the project. If the habitat disappears, the koalas will disappear. They are already endangered, so we can't afford to lose any more. I am also concerned about bird life across the district and how they will be impacted by the turbines.*
4. *Noise levels – I am concerned about construction noise and operational noise from the wind farm impacting my property. I am already partly deaf and I am concerned that constant noise will further impact my hearing.*
5. *No cheap power – Is this going to produce enough power to bring the prices down? I am very doubtful about this.*
6. *Water – I am concerned that construction of the wind turbines will cause over use of local water supplies and the runoff from the areas such as roads and turbine pads will damage water quality in local creeks. This will impact wildlife. I am concerned about construction vibrations and how they will affect fish, as my dams are fully stocked with native fish.*
7. *Aeroplane pathways – local air traffic flies over my house every day and heads towards the project area on their way to Armidale airport, both day and night. I am concerned about the height of the turbines interfering with the air traffic.*
8. *Night lighting - the red lights at night will appear to flash as the blades pass them. This will disturb my sleep as I cannot sleep with any night lights such as clocks.*
9. *Land values – I am concerned about the value of my land being downgraded due to the close proximity of the turbines. This will affect the price of my property when I decide to sell. I am 77 years old and my farm is my superannuation.*



10. Neighbour relationships " this project has caused a lot of upset between neighbours. I've always had good neighbours, yet one no longer speaks to me because I do not agree with them on the wind farm.

11. No more beautiful sunsets " from my farm I get beautiful sunsets. Because the towers will be to the west of my property, this will no longer be possible.

I request the IPC rejects this proposal for the reasons I have listed above.

If this proposal is allowed to go ahead, I request the IPC requires the developer to adjust the Development Consent document to ensure my concerns are addressed.
