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*The environmental & human health impacts of the NSW Govt's approved plastic refinery in Moss Vale has the potential to significantly impact roads, traffic, waterways & air quality, taxing the health of local residents. 74 Beaconsfield Rd Moss Vale is not the right site, it's a small residential road, next to the Garvan Institute medical facility, meters from residential homes & within a 5km radius there are 5 schools as well as numerous pre-schools. It will blow directly into our children's schools, including [REDACTED]. If this recycling centre is built in Moss Vale, our water ways (including our drinking water - and that of Sydneys too as it feeds into Warragamba Dam) will be flooded with hundreds of thousands of tons of microplastics each year. Even the most stringent plants in the UK release this. The air too will be polluted with microplastics which remain in our brains and major organs forever - cancers, dementia and infertility will cluster in the Southern Highlands. Our soil and livestock will be polluted. This is all documented in peer reviewed papers internationally. And if history repeats itself and it catches fire, we will be flooded with toxic smoke - there are only small two fire stations in Wingecarribee region, as the others are an hour away in good traffic. The recycling plant have suggested we all limit our time outdoors to stay safe. How is this possible when so many people in the community have chosen to live here for the outdoors, its beauty and clean living? It's the single largest environmental crisis I've ever experienced and beyond comprehension that the state government recommended it for approval.*