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There are many problems with the continued expansion of coal mining in the Hunter, but to me the impact on climate is the most important. In 1998 the atmosphere contained 367ppm carbon dioxide, just 20 years ago. Today that number is 415ppm. That's a 13% increase. At this rate the figure will be 470ppm by 2038, 20 years into the future. Report after report from the world's scientists have warned us of the dangers that will inevitably result from continuing to dump more greenhouse gases into the atmosphere. We are seeing the consequences now and they will only get worse. I will not bore you by listing examples. They are well known. We have a choice, business as usual and disastrous consequences, or leave coal in the ground. We have no moral right to inflict such a future on our children. This project may only a small contributor to the problem, but they all are. We must stop this. You, commissioners, must find the courage to do so by rejecting this modification.

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