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Please do not allow the proposed expansion of the Glendale coal mine to go ahead. Australia needs to protect its heritage - both our environmental and First Nations peoples history. I strongly object to the proposal by multinational Glencore to turn our country into a coal pit. We need to protect our environment and we don't need more coal mines.

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.

The proposal to move the Ravensworth Homestead is just plainly ridiculous. Instead we have an opportunity for truth telling with our First Nations peoples. It is important that we support the Wonnarua Plains Clan and protect this important site.

It is vitally important that we protect our environment.

Kind regards Elizabeth Croft