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*I object to the Plasrefine development and strongly suggest the IPA reject the project.*

*Plastics are slowly killing us and we know they don't go away. (Huberman)*

*As an owner of a Southern Highlands based honey business since 2012, one of my concerns is the susceptibility of bees to airborne contaminants. If this waste facility is built, the bees will be amongst the first to be impacted. The effects will be devastating to the local Southern Highlands bee populations and to the honey industry in this area. Honey Bees are the most prolific pollinators of our food crops and they form the pillars of our food chain. They are responsible for the pollination of a third of our crops “ that is one in every three mouthfuls. They are at constant threat to environmental changes. Being a beekeeper brings a responsibility, a mindfulness and a deep connection to nature. Plasrefines four stacks spewing tons of Co2 into our air and water not only harms us and our children, it affects our pollinators, native birds, wildlife and amphibians that use the ecosystem that is currently on the proposed Plasrefine site. Honey is a billion dollar industry in Australia and is currently under unprecedent threat now Australia has the Varroa Mite. It will take years for Honey industry to catch up to the Worlds best practice on the management of Varroa Destructor. The Honey industry and the bees deserves more protection in this current environment. If this waste centre goes ahead in the proposed location, it will viewed very harshly by our Community. It will be detrimental to our regional community, its schools, businesses, tourism, our producers, viticulture, agriculture and wildlife. It will be a disservice to the people of the Southern Highlands, Sydney Metro and Greater Sydney who are all expecting, trusting and relying on the State Government to do the right thing and provide us with our basic right for clean air and water. Should this facility be approved, we will be seriously considering moving out of the Southern Highlands.*