

Submission
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INQUIRY INTO COAL SEAM GAS

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My concerns for Southern Highlands coal seam gas are: There is no protection for our prime agricultural land being used for exploration and/or mining purposes. The risk of polluting our ground water and surface water is enormous, including aquifers, rivers, dams. Undermining their function due to drilling, fracking, huge machinery trampling down flora & fauna. The use of such dangerous chemicals in the fracking and drilling process. The lack of regulation on the use of these chemicals, lack of transparency. A holistic assessment of the country needs to be completed to identify 'prime rural land' that needs to be put aside for our food preservation into the future. This should be set aside for this purpose alone and support given to allow this to happen.