

Submission
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INQUIRY INTO COAL SEAM GAS

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Partially Confidential

The current large scale expansion of Coal Seam Gas exploration in the north-west of NSW has and is causing considerable concern, anguish and fear to me, my family and community.

I feel the government is not providing a framework that gives us confidence that the natural resources of land, water, underground aquifers and farmland will be preserved for further generations. Productive soils and water will provide for future generations, long after short-term mining plunders a gas resource.

I further suspect the lack of genuine community consultation is alienating our community and this urgently needs to be addressed.

I contend that landholders and community need to have their concerns heard and actions taken to give them some equality in this debate.