

INQUIRY INTO COAL SEAM GAS

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I would like to submit my opinion, & indeed virtually all of the Southern HighLands people I have met, re the move to Coal extraction & especially Coal Seam Gas extraction. Having seen how the industry treats the environment both in the US & here in Qld, surely we have learned a few lessons & don't want the same destruction to our beautiful landscape, our community & especially to our Aquifers which feed our rivers, WHICH EVENTUALLY SUPPLY SYDNEY'S DRINKING WATER.

"Fracking"as it is called is NOT enviromentally friendly, increases the chance to damage our aquifers, & the very TOXIC & mostly unknown chemicals will pollute both the land &, as I said before, EVENTUALLY Sydney's drinking water.

I would not want to be a person involved in the potential destruction of our ecology, & then have to explain why Sydney's water supplyl is contaminated, to our next generation. The Desalination plant(s) are not an alternative.

You, the Parliamentary Committee, & we the ordinary people, are responsible for safeguarding our VITAL rescources like WATER for all our future generations, not just to make an EASY dollar for the government.

Thank you.