

**Submission
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INQUIRY INTO COAL SEAM GAS

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At Darkes Forest we are the forefront of Apex Energy NL and Ormil Energy Pty Ltd .
The Environmental assessment used for the approval of the bore holes is incorrect, false & misleading.
We have proof from our own independent assessment. The approval has been given without discussions with all residents, only selected few were chosen.

We have one road in and out , this will now be taken over by the trucks bringing in the water for drilling , a pipe line to take the gas out, we were advised possibly 10 truck per day, we were advised by Apex up to 150 wells for Darkes Forest. Our lifestyles are about to change dramatically and for the worst.

We are advised by Apex Energy they will not be fracking at exploration stage but will not guarantee the production company will not!

The 16th Approval in assesment at present is going to be in Sydney Catchment Area. This is not acceptable given the track records of these drilling Companies and their spillage, leaks and dangerous methods of extraction

Ormil Energy advised they have data on " safe drilling " they have achieved in catchment areas, we have requested this information but have not been given any such data.

It seems no what assurances we are told they are never able to proove them . This industry needs an overall and every licence, either Exploration or production, approved needs to be suspended until we can have proof this industry is safe for our country...

Leave the gas where it is, no one is going to benefit from this, we would like a safe place to live and raise our families.