

The government has not properly researched the long and short term effects of coal seam gas mining.

Approvals have been pushed through with not enough time to fully assess environmental let alone social impacts.

The industry has already destroyed a lot of natural habitat and farm land.

Its not scientifically proven that CSG has a lower carbon footprint than coal burning as an energy source.

The 2km buffer zone is ridicluously ineffectual when they can actually stuff the water tables where entire river systems get their water from.

Mining companies have already poisoned some of our rivers and land and they have lowered water tables significantly in some areas where farmer's bores have dried up to a point where they would have to go hundreds of meters deeper to find water.

The mining companies involved remind me of the tobacco companies and asbestos companies in the past in that the products were very dangerous and never properly researched These companies fought any research which affected their business.

I think that CSG has the capacity to do irreparable damage to our communities, farm land , natural environment, rivers and peoples health.

Kind regards

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