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Content:

I am writing to formally object to the Western Sydney Agriculture Precinct currently being proposed in Luddenham. I am the owner of [REDACTED] which entirely falls into this precinct and is effected by its outcome.

I have already personally been affected by the development of this Airport, and in my case it's bordering properties. One and a half acres of my property which incidentally was where

my family home, garages and shedding were erected, was resumed at land value price earlier this year, in order to make way for The Northern Road Luddenham Bypass

servicing traffic around the Airport. The stress of forcibly loosing our family home of 42 years and consequently the financial loss was too much for my elderly husband Frank to

bear, as a broken man he unfortunately passed away at the onset of the battle to save our home. As an elderly widow I was forced out of the house we built together, without my

husband of 60 years, and made to relocate. I am now once again forced to battle for the outcome of my remaining land, and it saddens me that all Frank and I have worked a

lifetime for, is once again in jeopardy by Governmental Planning. I feel I have had adequate experience to discuss the vitality of an Agricultural precinct on my land. During my time I

lived there, it was a rural farming district. We purchased the land with the intent to grow vegetables there. We grew a variety of crops such as Cabbages, Tomatoes and capsicums with

minimum success. The soil was heavily clay based and of moderate sustainability. To improve the pasture we introduced fertilizers and regularly turned and aerated the soil.

Rainfall is not naturally high in the region and moisture content and absorption rates are low. Crops were often of moderate or low quality and did not attract a premium at market.

We found our selves noncompetitive against other farming regions where their soil and climatic conditions were more idealistic. They had far better yields and produced a superior product. With my 40 years of experience I believe

Luddenham is not an ideal vegetable farming district. In regard to other Agricultural pursuits suggested in your reports, Poultry farming in an urban developed area is unsustainable, proximity to other intensive farming practices

becomes a bio-security factor as well as contaminants of natural pollutants such as odor, dust and noise is problematic, also dairy farming would similarly display the same issues

and more importantly adhering to our Government regulations, the two farming practices could not co-exist in confined intensive agricultural areas. If all suggestions were to be

introduced within the precinct, how could bio-security, spray drift and disease control issues be managed. Would food quality be maintained? As for food processing, research

and development, wouldn't this be ideally removed from active growing sites? How can cross contamination not be a concern?

At the time of negotiations with the NSW Roads and Maritime Services, I was given land value for the one and a half acres and very little for my 42 year old home, which was

deemed a cottage by the RMS assessors, it was a 3 bedroom brick veneer, clean, sturdy house of high standards. This value did not reflect the market, and was well below what the market dictated for me to find a replacement. This was a far lower and not a true reflection of the market values to land holders within my area, that had already sold for the development of the Airport. I was misled to believe during my negotiations that this sacrifice of inadequate compensation would be offset by the increase in value of my remaining acres. At the time intensive residential or industrial zoning were a possibility. I feel I was unduly treated in that I was not made aware of this planed Governmental proposal at the time of my negotiations with the RMS. I feel that this proposal will keep the prosperity of my land stagnant and not in cohesiveness to all other areas surrounding an international airport. Therefore I am strongly against this proposal and would like the 'Western Sydney Employment Area' zoning to remain-

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