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From: Public Kean Office Email
Sent: Tuesday, 13 October 2020 4:03 PM
To: Stokes_Office_Email
Subject: FW: Concerns about koalas under the Draft Cumberland Plain Conservation Plan (Submission)

Hello,

Please find attached correspondence sent to the Hon Matt Kean MP.

As this matter falls within your portfolio responsibilities, it is being referred to you for any necessary action.

For all enquiries, please contact the above email address.

Yours sincerely

Office of the Hon Matthew Kean MP
Minister for Energy and Environment

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As a passionate Australian animal and tree lover, I am alarmed and deeply concerned at the prospect of destroying more than 1,000 ha of critically endangered Cumberland Plain woodlands: Almost 16% of the tiny 6% of what remains. The plan to construct major highway thru a third of Colbee Nature Reserve, winding down the middle of Wianamatta Regional Park, through the precious South Creek greenspace corridor that was previously promised, and the Cobbitty Hills bushland is not acceptable to me. Though it will create a Koala Reserve, it will isolate the koalas behind 120 kms of exclusion fencing, with only one corridor to link the George's River koalas to bushland of the Nepean and beyond. The NSW Chief Scientist said koala survival depended on 6 corridors. Each needs to be more than 425m wide, and this Plan to my horror ignores this. We cannot allow the removal of old growth forest trees with abundant nesting hollows, by allowing developers to offset the loss by planting saplings in flood prone, bare and desolate paddocks, this is just crazy. What other Country would allow this? This proposal is seriously underfunded, only \$84M is guaranteed whereas the previous plan claimed \$530M was justified. Nature needs more not less, surely that is obvious. Sadly our government is killing some of the rare beauty and iconic species that this Country is blessed to have living on our land, especially the now endangered Koala population who are much loved in Australia and Worldwide.

I would like a response

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