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(SEPP)

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#### **Submission Type**

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# Info



## Suburb/Town & Postcode

North Rocks 2151

#### Submission

This SEPP surrenders our environment and liveability to the private sector. Its the responsibility of the state government, not developers, to protect these things.

Planning authorities must have ambitious aspirations and clear targets to address climate change, loss of trees and native habitat, urban heat, water management and accessible green spaces. This SEPP fails to achieve this by making basic liveability and environmental requirements "matters for consideration" by using "flexibility", "trade-offs" and "moving away from prescriptive controls".

We must achieve best practice at all times to provide certainty for industry and the community. We must recognise that climate change is an urgent challenge and should not be diverted into vague pathways that will avoid essential emission reduction and delivery targets. I reject the flexibility approach because it invites trade-offs and the undermining of fundamental goals. High quality tree retention, tree canopy and open space targets are mandatory and can't be offset by weak alternatives. BASIX, including its energy targets or an alternative higher national standard for housing and commercial developments, must be maintained, improved and enforced.

### I agree to the above statement

Yes