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I am making a personal submission

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No

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**Submission**

I wrote a paper on Bird & Bat Strike (available at the link below because your upload file wouldn't work) back in 2016 as part of the RAWSA (Residents Against Western Sydney Airport) Research Team. Since then, using the government's national flying fox tool, I have calculated that a 24/7 airport at this location will have the highest risk of bat strike of any airport in the country, creating a high risk of an aviation disaster. This is because there are bat camps on all sides of the airport, together home to more than 100,000 Grey Headed Flying Foxes. These animals are known to forage in & around the airport site. There is a nightly migration route along the Nepean valley that directly intercepts western, SW & NW flight paths. They will be travelling at the same height as planes. They are large animals with a wingspan of 1.5m & they travel en masse.

I have spoken of the dangers of siting a 24/7 airport at Badgerys Creek to MPs, state & federal government representatives, including your department many times since then. I spoke to the spruikers at the WSA 'pop-up tents' & the \$10 million 'airport experience' centre advertising room. I have tried time and again to get the Greater Sydney Commission & the others involved in planning your aerotropolis to acknowledge this risk. They were all completely ignorant or pretended to be so. My only conclusion is that the NSW government puts safety LAST. Now FINALLY, the media have exposed your 'parkland city' for what it is - UTTER GARBAGE! If you actually went through with your plans for a 'green', 'sustainable', 'liveable' city with adjacent rural land you would be doing the very things that aviation safety experts say NOT to do! Your plans, claims & pretty pictures (god knows how much you've spent on promotional material!) are complete BS. It's time for you to come clean and either:

Admit that you put safety LAST & WSA will have the highest risk of bat strike in the country, and is a catastrophe in the making

OR

Acknowledge that your pretty pictures are garbage & the reality that your aerotropolis will be a treeless expanse of concrete & asphalt with no open water, no green, no 'agribusiness', no wildlife (which will be 'managed' i.e. deterred, scared off or slaughtered) & an urban heat sink with temps of 50°C in summer.

OR (the best option)

Tell the Federal Government to go jump & take their 24/7 airport with them.

NO AIRPORT!

It's PLANE INSANE!

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