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Good Afternoon

Hinchinbrook Shire Council

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I am a resident not associated with your local government area, but I cannot help but be concerned about the inappropriate proposition/s to warrant a Material Change of Use and Reconfiguration of the above.

This proposed project is not suitable for this area, as it would totally destroy the natural environment of this beautiful area and the habitats of endangered species both flora and fauna which unique to the area. Like the Rufous Bettong, wedgetail eagle, button quail and Sharman's rock Wallaby, as well as many ground dwelling lizards, skinks and small animals.

The unique geological features of the area would also be destroyed by roads and infrastructure.

The Race to "Go Green" should not be at all costs -- with a project like this it is without regard to the natural environment. It is an oxymoron when the environment, flora and fauna – which is why people want to go green - to save the planet; is being destroyed, at the expense of what is trying to be saved.

These forests surrounding the Wet Tropics World Heritage Area at Mount Fox, are considered some of the world's most precious ecosystems. The presence of remaining areas of high value forests suggest that might not be appropriate for a power project in a sparsely populated area of high environmental value.

To facilitate a wind farm/ battery storage, the roads and associated works would impact and endanger extremely sensitive areas – geological and flora/fauna habitats.

I would like to oppose the application for Material Change of Use and Reconfiguration.

Regards

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