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Director, Planning Coordination and Support, Department of Planning and Environment, GPO Box 39, Sydney, NSW 2001.

Dear Sir,

I am a resident of Mullumbimby in Byron Shire. I would like to comment on the proposed project. I have lived here for forty years.

While I support the Review's endorsement of environmental zones and overlays in far north coast council and Local Environment Plans, I wish to say that I have strong objections to the downgrading of rainforest and old growth forest as well as endangered and vulnerable ecosystems from E2 to E3.

Secondly I object to downgrading proposed E4 zones to Residential zones. Our koala habitat is diminishing at such a rapid rate that the Australian icon will become extinct if we do not take care now. Core Koala habitat identified in a core koala Plan of Management should be included in an E2 zone, rather than just an environmental overlay.

Thirdly I strongly object to removing all protection for wildlife corridors mapped by the National Parks and Wildlife services. A huge amount of work had gone into this survey and it is essential that wildlife corridors are maintained.

Finally, I totally object to allowing extensive agriculture within E2 zones (Rec. 4) because it can destroy the very sensitive environmental areas where we live. The redrafting of E2 provisions will also mean that we have very little protection from CSG and other mining activities and so it would automatically permit activities under the Mining SEPP Policy.

Yours sincerely,

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