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**Subject:**

FW: Submission on draft Central Coast Regional Plan

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Dear Sir / Madam,

We live on the Central Coast since 2011 because we love the clean environment and the quiet lifestyle.

I support the following points:

- The draft Plan **fails to resolve land use conflicts** (such as mining, agriculture, water supply) and defers important strategic planning and impact management to a later stage.
- The Plan should **rule out mining on the Central Coast** and this should be clearly articulated in the Plan.
- The draft Plan **fails to adequately outline infrastructure improvements that will accompany growth**. The Plan should require a Transport Plan be produced for growth areas (such as Gosford City Centre and the Somersby to Erina Corridor) and exhibited before the final Regional Plan is adopted.
- **All coal seam gas and long wall coal mining activities should be banned** in the Central Coast drinking water catchments.
- The requirement that any **development should have neutral or beneficial effect on the region's water quality must be established in law**.
- The draft Plan **fails to adequately plan for climate change adaptation and mitigation**. There should be more emphasis in the document on climate change risks as a constraint on development.
- I **strongly oppose any move by local Councils to develop a Regional Airport** on the Central Coast as it would negatively impact on community and social amenity and on environmentally sensitive land such as Porters Creek Wetland.
- The proposed Coordinating and Monitoring Committee should include **community input into the implementation of the Plan**. For example, community and environment groups should be identified as relevant supporting groups in this structure.