



CSG review

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To whom it may concern
Re the Chief Scientists terms of reference

I find the current terms of reference severely lacking , and a danger to our soil, air and water.

The Chief Scientist should be charged with the duties of :

- Commissioning rigorous independent scientific research to properly assess the risks of coal seam gas mining.
- Identifying best practice methods for baseline monitoring of health impacts, water resources, air quality, soil quality, and fugitive emissions.
- Identifying areas of NSW that should be off limits to coal seam gas, due to unacceptable risks and impacts.
- Reviewing the impacts of coal seam gas on agriculture and other affected industries such as tourism and manufacturing.

CSG is a risky, unsustainable and dirty technology .

There should be stringent controls in place if it were to go ahead (and preferably it wouldn't!)

There should be no CSG anywhere near any important environmental areas such as national parks, any agricultural areas, any residential areas, any water catchment or supply areas - the suggested minimum is 5km, I think it should be a minimum of 100km.

There must be mandatory environmental impact studies , health impact studies, and communities must be able to say "no".

Over 75% of Australians are against CSG - why isn't this being taken into account ?

Water, soil, agriculture, air, health should all be priority above the CSG industry .

sincerely
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