

Community Engagement Review

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There is no doubt that we need to move towards renewable energy if we are to combat Climate Change. Climate Change will affect adversely every living thing on the planet.

Renewables will also be the cheaper option in the long run. Building infrastructure is critical to the transition to renewable energy as we cannot rely on rooftop solar alone. Without renewable energy infrastructure fossil fuel emissions will continue to rise. Without the essential infrastructure how can we transport energy to homes and businesses?

Extra income could be provided to farmers and aboriginal communities if they are compensated for allowing infrastructures to cross and/or operate on their lands. However, it is crucial that the planning process considers possible risks to people and nature. The planning process should consider these issues.

Communities, traditional owners and environment groups should be engaged in the planning projects to ensure best outcomes. Communities need to be advised of the benefits of having renewable projects, and the risks of no transitioning to renewables, if we are to garner their support. State and Federal governments need to work to ensure communities, the natural environment, workers and consumers are protected whilst we transition from fossil fuels to renewable energy. We will all be better off in the long run.

Yours sincerely,

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