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I do not support the Application because:

1. Of potential pollution of the waters of Port Stephens
2. The installation of large pipes into the sand, and next to an outfall area.
3. The interruption to a quiet semi-retirement and holiday village.
4. The refusal of the Consultants to do an audit of the residents and houses to ascertain the impacts of interruption to lifestyles.
5. The Proponent has refused to use its entry to the site from Clarke Street even though that is the proposal address.
6. The proposed travel route down Cabbage Street is not designed or constructed to carry the proposed traffic journeys.

After Occupation is granted

The following Conditions of Consent should be attached to the project.

1. There is to be no access to the site along and from Cabbage Street.
2. There is to be no traffic movements to or from the site after dark. There are minimum of street lights.
3. The proponent must come to an agreement with Council to repair any damage to South Pindimar road pavements.

Conclusion

The DoPI and the "new" Minister must give great weight to the numerous objections to this proposal being located IN THIS SITUATION.

It is not suitable, and the record of other abalone projects does not auger well for this one, and they have been on the coast – not in an estuary.

It is not a precedent that Australians crave for. Actually, due to OH&S regulations, Australians are prevented from picking up a hammer heavy enough to tenderise the abalone meat.

A project that proposes to produce and move up to 60 tonnes of product each year from this site, along a road that is sign-posted "NO THROUGH ROAD" is of great concern to most residents who have enjoyed a "paradise" for years.