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Hello,

I am emailing to share the view that the development and addition of a Wet N Wild in sydney is necessary and needed.

I am 100% behind this project and have been fully supporting this since the day it was announced on september 11, 2010

This is going to be an absolutely fantastic addition to sydney. For a very long time sydney has been unfotunately plagued with no theme parks. I have viewed some opinons that Wet N Wild sydney will merely go down the same path as Wonderland and I cannot urge how wrong they are. Warner Village Theme Parks directly prove these people wrong, as they have proved to Australia the fantastic work they have done in the Gold Coast and the amount of tourism it has created is astounding.

Wonderland was my home park, I would go there literally every day of the week after working. Wonderland failed because it never put it any new rides or assets and was troubled with an incompetent business team and was stuck with the same slightly boring rides from the 80's. I knew the park better than anyone, and even though it proved to not be exciting enough to stay in business, it proved to be minimally exciting. Sydney desperately needed a quality theme park compared to the level seen in the Gold Coast and for me I think it is essential that there is a Wet N Wild constructed right here in Blacktown in the heart of western sydney.

Sydney has always lost competition to Gold Coast when it comes to tourism as there has been nothing to pull tourists out this far from the city. I urge the planning team that to move further west of sydney would be unwise, as the further out the park heads the less opportunity for overseas tourists it will have, and theme parks internationally are proved to boost tourism levels. This will put sydney on the map, and recognise us as a competitive and active market when it comes to the theme park and entertainment business, not a market that sits and does nothing to add to the tourism levels. This park will establish Sydney as fighting chance to be one of the best water parks in the world. Those who are not involved with the theme park business simply do not understand the profound impact parks such as these have. I urge everyone involved in planning, to put 100% of effort towards the park to have it constructed and completed by the summer of 2012.

Importantly, we should not list out all the reasons for this project not to go ahead, but identify the potential problems and solve them. The support of the community is essential and while there are the groups against it, I cannot stress to you how much this park is for the community. It is for every peson withing 20-30 minutes of driving distance to visit on a REGULAR basis. This is a park that is going to affect millions of people, and we cannot allow a bombardment of issues to overcome us. I totally support the development of this park and would do everything i can to see that it is not disrupted.

This park is going to create some desperately needed jobs. Up too 300 people will have construction jobs for a good period of a year, and once the park is fully up and running, it will provide nearly 200 jobs for people to work! This is an amazing potential acheivement for sydney and again I cannot urge how much this park would really be a booming success! Already i know of people that are ecstatically pumped for this project! Families and children, teenagers and adults are all excited for this park. This shows how we need a theme park sort in sydney, and in a secluded area of blacktown is the perfect place for it to go.

I have been to the theme parks in Gold Coast many times, and never have i had any issue with noise from the road. I have also stayed at the Gold Coast Holiday Park Motel which is located across from Wet N Wild theme park and had absolute no problem from the noise. Even within the park with silence during the dive in movies noise was not an issue as rides are still currently operating at those times. I think the argument that noise is going to affect the area is total folly, considering there is very little development on that side of blacktown. Who is going to mind the noise? The traffic and people in cars on the M4? Absolutely not!

Also Village Roadshow has agreed to give the NSW RTA 5.2 million dollars to help upgrade the roads. I do in fact realise that the roads in the surrounding areas will not be enough to accomodate the amount of people that will come in and out of the gates every day, but under this 5.2 million dollar contribution there will be funds to properly develop roads in this area!

I would also like to point out the huge amount of money that will be injected into the economy and the the boost that this will give to a generally dead part of the economy. Another massive reasons to go ahead with this project is the day it creates for families and family friendly environment it encourages to draw. This is not only for a single day out, but ask any local in the Gold Coast and they frequently visit all of the parks in their area and creates a widespread amount of time for families to connect and have fun! There are too many positives to this project to cancel it due to things such as a tiny two-story policeman cottage. While yes this has heritage, it is bascially completely unrecognised and Wet N Wild has proposed to keep it on site anyways. Personally i found the skyline of a waterpark exhilarating! I do not see the complaints that the view of the park will disturb the area, considering that once the residents leave there will be basically nothing around for it to disturb! this is exactly why the chosen location in Blacktown is perfect. It cannot be argued that this land needs to remain vacant, as Sydney WILL grow and so it must! we cannot build a project like this out west further than blacktown. There are plenty of rural spaces in sydney, and Blacktown is becoming apart of the boosting development, as sydney is an ever growing, fast developing city! we cannot expect such locations to remain vacant for so long.

I again STRONGLY convey my view that all developments of Wet N Wild Sydney should go ahead.

Such other issues as the St. Bartholomews church, which is located further than most aspects from Wet N Wild does not seem to raise a valid concern. How can the projection of a world class theme park to a much needed sydney be questioned to a view of a church. This seems completely and utterly foolish! How can we allow a park like this to be cancelled or delayed due to a petty worry about the view of a church. There is such little lifestyle and development going on there, that the project going ahead FAR OUTWEIGHS the problem of a church's view being blocked. This seems utterly ridiculous! I would be horrendously dissapointed to see the park not continue and establish itself as one of the greatest waterparks in the world due to such minor issues as these.

To argue that developing Wet N Wild in this location will affect the value of the land is ridiculous. The proposed land site is like a deserted country-side. Most people do not know this side of Blacktown exists. Blacktown is not a rural area, if people wish to have such land and space they should not be living so close to the heart of Sydney. With such a huge project being constructed, millions of people will be drawn to this land and future properties are sure to develop in the future to accomodate for tourists who will come internationally! Wet N Wild will put sydney on the map! This is such a momentarily exciting project that I cannot explain how much multitudes of people are hoping this park is successfully built. The people of sydney want something exactly like this.

As i have stated above, the key issue that needs to be adressed is the development of roads and control of traffic. However with the contribution from Warner Village Theme Parks, under careful and wise planning, this problem can be solved.

I cannot urge one again how much the people of sydney really want this! I myself have been a personal campaigner in schools, work places and the public for the advertisement of this park and I can tell you that already multitudes of people are excited and ready for this park! Multitudes of families, teenagers and adults alike are already geared to go for this major park that will forever change Sydney.

I desperately hope to see this park continue ahead like planned and open in the summer of 2012, and not be plagued issues leading up to the opening. I can think of nothing but good luck and success for this park as it opens, and for those who disagree look at every single one of Warner Village Theme Parks properties and you can see just how much theme parks really bring life, entertainment and jobs to the ENTIRE family! This is an extremely exciting project for Sydney and we all wait in anticipation!

I hope that you realise the amount of people that support this park are out there and if not I speak on behalf of every single one of them.

There might be complaints and objections, but you cannot imagine the amount of families, teenagers and

even adults that are excited for this park.

The people of sydney want a Wet N Wild and are desperately hoping that you can give it to us.

Thank you for taking time to put in so much effort concerning this project and i very much hope that this park will be built.

Regards,

Daniel Suleiman.

