Submission Guide

**Wilpinjong Coal Pty Ltd Exploration Licence Application No: 6415**

[Peabody Energy application for new coal release within 500m of Wollar Village over 1670 ha]

**Deadline**: Thursday 24 February

**Lodge to**:

The Manager Titles Assessment

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**Subject of email**: Wilpinjong ELA 6415

**Include**: Name, Address, Contact details and the exploration licence application number: 6415

Key points:

The focus of this submission must be important values in the proposed exploration area

1. Object to a coal exploration licence being granted within 500m of Wollar village over 1670 ha of grazing and cropping country, bushland and creeks.
2. There are significant Aboriginal cultural heritage sites in the Wollar area particularly near creeks and rock overhangs, including artwork, ochre quarries, scar trees and artifact scatters.
3. There are critically endangered ecological communities in the application area, including remnants of Box Gum Woodland and derived native grasses.
4. There is habitat for many endangered bird species including the critically endangered Regent Honeyeater and threatened bird species reliant on native grass seed.
5. There is habitat for Koala in the Wollar area.
6. Wollar and Wilpinjong Creeks are within the application area with alluvial aquifers associated with surface flows. Many springs occur in the surrounding landscape.
7. The northern section of the application area is adjacent to Goulburn River National Park.
8. Wollar Village is the access point for visitors to the Goulburn River National Park. The exploration area within 500m of the village covers scenic landscape views.
9. Object to any new coal resources being released in NSW because of climate change.