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**RE: DA2022/1221 - 70 A Kens Road FRENCHS FOREST NSW 2086**

I have the following objections and concerns about the proposed development at 70A Kens Rd (DA2022/1221). Objection A) The subdivided lot at 70A Kens Rd has never been developed and until 2021 was part of Sydney Water Pipeline land. Many established native trees are on the property and adjacent Pipeline. The current approved DA for 70A Kens Rd (DA2021/0240) was sympathetic to the native vegetation and retained significant trees to maintain an environment fitting for a leafy suburb - Frenchs FOREST. Some 4 or 5 years ago I believe a NB Council Officer did an assessment & documented trees of significant note on the part of the Sydney Water pipeline land to the east of Kens Rd land - significant trees were tagged to denote that they should be protected, retained & not damaged. One of those trees (Tagged number 27 by Council) is referred to in the Arborists reports in both DA2021/0240 AND DA2022/1221 as TREE 30 - species name Angophora costata - referred in the submission documents as "Smooth barked apple" - but most commonly known as a SYDNEY RED GUM. It is over 30m high and noted in DA2021/0240 as designated A1 "No significant defects and could be retained with minimal remedial care" PLUS designated AA described specifically as "a Category A1 tree which is already LARGE & EXCEPTIONAL, sufficiently important to be a material constraint, and at the top of the categorization hierarchy and should be given the most weight" (reference DA 2021/0240 Arboricultural Impact Assessment 12/8/2020 page 12 and Appendix 11). Sydney Red Gums live to between 500 & 100 years old, whilst no estimated age is provided in the arborealists reports, it is conceivable that this tree predates (relatively recent) european settlement, and has a potential lifespan of many more centuries. If DA 2022/1221 was to be approved this AA SYDNEY RED GUM will be bulldozed to enable the building of a separate 2 bedroom self sufficient secondary dwelling (Granny flat). I strongly object to this tree's removal for this purpose.

Objection B) Tree 30 (Tagged Tree #27) sits astride the boundary with the Sydney Water Pipeline, which is used as an accessible walking trail by many walkers each day. The significant trees on, and on the boundaries of this land are a remnant of the local environment providing habitat and should be protected and enjoyed by the local community - removal of tree 30 will significantly impact the views enjoyed by walkers and local residents - myself included.

Objection C: the Proposed dwellings included in DA2022/1221 include 5 bedrooms in the main house plus another 2 in the separate self contained secondary dwelling - a total of 7 bedrooms however only a two car garage is provided and no off street parking. This will put pressure on off street parking on Kens Road which is the only access and egress for approximately homes in Yass, Yanco & lower Kens Rd. In the event of a bushfire clear road access for residents needing to evacuate and for emergency vehicles to access these "dead end" areas of the suburb is imperative. Objection D: No apparent consideration appears to have been given to the loss of views of local residents by removal of the existing tree(s) and new buildings

proposed to be built adjoining the northern boundary- My property is an immediate neighbour adjoining 70A Kens road at the "pointy end" of the triangle property however no consideration of this is provided for in the plans and reports submitted. Additionally the developer appears to consider that the land immediately to the north (ie SYdney Water pipeline land) has no residents, so it does not consider the impact of the proposed development on people walking on the pipeline ie views of the property from the north. This development is not suitable in size and aspect for the local community that we live in and should not be approved.