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Objection to Fyshwick Material Waste EIS

To whom it may concern,

I am very concerned about the proposed development of a waste transfer station in Fyshwick. My understanding of this proposal is that is to transfer waste from the tip (or redirect from pick up) to the transfer station. My concerns, that have not been addressed at any presentation are:

1. Traffic - the increase in traffic on all roads is a concern both from increase in the "quiet" hours and also just the increase throughout the day. It is also unclear if any consideration to the increased truck fumes has been considered.
2. Air pollution - I am already concerned about the level of pollution from Fyshwick. I have not seen any research that states that the current level of activity within the area is safe for residents or the childcare, let alone the increase in pollution from the facility. It is also unclear if the levels of pollution inside the shed will be safe for workers. Given ongoing and potentially unseen pollutants that are not necessarily known now, it is very concerning that workers will be in such close confines with trucks and rubbish.
3. Fires - I understand that the same people have experienced fires at other locations, given the massive risk of fire and the resultant pollution, this seems to be an unacceptable risk so close to other businesses and residents. It is also unclear how flammable the existing location is given the previous use.
4. Odour - rubbish smells, this will be a negative impact both during transport and at the destination.
5. Financial - from the first presentation we were told that the facility required the towers to be feasible, so why is it now feasible without it? Will rubbish need to come from outside Canberra to make it financially viable? Has the government developed a sound financial model to show that the financial impact is positive for Canberra? Is there an overall model that considers all costs and benefits that has been independently reviewed? Is it documented?

Other - this project doesn't pass the pub test - it seems that the land has been purchased and now there is a desperate bid to make a financial project from it. It makes absolutely no sense to be moving to no waste when this project requires additional waste!

Thank you for providing the opportunity to comment on this proposal and I sincerely hope that the government takes the no waste option and reduces/eliminates the need for waste transfer rather than encourage businesses that want us to create more rubbish!