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As a frequent user of the Fyshwick Fresh food markets I am objecting most strongly to the idea that a waste transfer station to process 300,000 tonnes of Canberra's municipal and other waste should be built so close to the markets. The food markets need protection from incompatible industries.

The Fyshwick Food markets are a popular and important alternate to supermarket shopping and attract thousands of shoppers each week. The markets benefit the public in guaranteed fresh food as well as benefiting the food producers whose produce they sell directly. The government recognised this importance with special zoning objectives for West Fyshwick which set out as objectives to;

- i. Encourage Canberra's regional role for food processing, wholesaling, distribution and marketing
- ii. Cluster uses which are compatible with and complementary to existing facilities, particularly with regard to food processing and warehousing and the markets, including some small scale food retailing
- iii. Protect the safety and amenity of food related enterprises

These zone objectives are put at risk by locating a large Waste Transfer Station only 1 km away. These objectives do not support the addition of an MRF at Fyshwick which is not compatible with food processing distribution and marketing since its tall unfiltered ventilation stack will create odour and unspecified emissions from a very large building.

The amenity of the area will be destroyed by odour and traffic congestion on Canberra Avenue. Patronage could drop, and business be adversely impacted economically. At present, there is upgrading and expansion underway with a variety of pop-up businesses soon to be introduced. The smoke and emissions from a large waste fire on that site has the potential to ruin the food which might be exposed to its fumes. The Draft EIS on display ought to have assessed the impacts on the markets.

The negative social impact of the location of this industry on this site would send a strong social message to the Canberra business community that the Fyshwick area is no longer a prime area for future high end retail, service and commercial businesses. Establishing a large waste transfer station on this site would represent a significant risk to the established retail hierarchy and hence a risk to investment decisions at all other established retail centres.

The Planning integrity of the Zone Objectives for the IZ2 Mixed Industrial Use as they apply to West Fyshwick should be maintained.

Sincerely



