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Ward Off Climate Change

Save Our Forest—Have Your Say

Western Power recently placed advertisements in local papers and The West Australian announcing a new Eastern Terminal site selection process, and inviting comment on the process.

Make no mistake, Eastern Terminal is no simple switchyard. This is a potentially massive project that could see the eventual destruction of 400 hectares (the size of Kings Park) of native flora and fauna ecosystems, permanent disfigurement of the landscape, adversely affect landowners and impair the enjoyment of visitors to the region.

A 21 page site selection process paper has been placed on the Western Power website. Stakeholders have four weeks to provide written comments on the paper. The deadline for comments is Monday, 16 June.

Western Power's Eastern Terminal proposal has changed. The changes are confusing. In order to help you prepare your submission we have created an on-line wizard which will help you prepare a letter to Western Power in less than 5 minutes. PLEASE have a say on this devastating project.

[Use Our On-Line Wizard](#)

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Government Decision Set to Destroy Solar Industry

Toni and I were appalled when we heard about the Federal Government's decision to means test the \$8,000 rebate on photo-voltaic cells to those households earning less than \$100,000 per annum.

While this may seem a reasonable thing to do at face value, the impact that this has had on the hard-won momentum in the solar industry has been catastrophic.

Local company Renewable Logic introduced their "1500 for 1500" initiative whereby people could purchase a 1kw PV system from Renewable Logic for \$1,500 provided that 1,500 people applied.

This initiative brought PV cells within the reach of many households for the first time and Renewable Logic ended up getting more than 4,000 applications (including Toni and I).

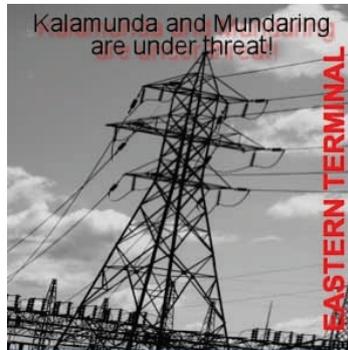
However this number has dropped to less than 1,500 following the Federal Government's announcement. Instead of paying just \$1,500 for their panels, households earning more than \$100,000pa would have to pay \$9,500!! You can understand why so many have opted out.

The Federal Government should raise the means test threshold to \$250,000—the same as that used for the Green Loans program.

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Low Carbon Meal of the Week



Moroccan Vegetable Tagine

As a vegetarian meal, this dish is low in carbon, good for your waistline and tastes fantastic.

You can use whichever vegetables are in season at the moment—I used butternut pumpkin, capsicums, carrots and green beans.

It incorporates the classic Moroccan spices of cumin, coriander and cinnamon, with ginger adding a mild heat and dates providing sweetness.

You don't need a tagine to be able to cook this—any saucepan will achieve the same result.

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