To The Independent Scientific Panel Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracture Simulation.

I appreciate the opportunity to make a submission on The Independent Scientific Panel Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracture Simulation.

I'd like to introduce myself; my name is James Cohen,

I have lived in the Dandaragan shire for more than 10 years...

I am self-employed and have successfully run a small cleaning business in Jurien Bay for at least 8 years,

I personally believe that if there is any risk to our Aquifers from contamination from hydraulic fracturing then we Should Definitely Ban Fracking State-wide in Western Australia.

I have brought up 2 beautiful daughters who also enjoy the Dandaragan shire & all amenities within the district and surrounds. Including beaches, and National Parks which include Lesueur National Park, Badgingarra National park.

<https://parks.dpaw.wa.gov.au/tourism-region/cervantes-jurien-bay>

We already know we live on the driest continent on earth <https://www.australia.gov.au/about-australia/our-country/the-australian-continent>.

Western Australia already has 2 desalination plants operating within Western Australia

, <https://www.watercorporation.com.au/water-supply/our-water-sources/desalination>.

So why would we risk our Aquifers which we rely on for Fresh drinking water state-wide.

Studies worldwide know that leakage happens from inefficient well integrity.

<http://geofirma.com/wp-content/uploads/2015/05/lwp-final-report_compressed.pdf>

I believe if there is any risk at all then we should completely Ban Fracking in Western Australia especially with so much flora and faunas throughout our Great State that would be at risk and if Hydraulic fracturing was allowed it would be an Economic nightmare to the tourism industry and our whole state would be at risk to lower employment opportunities, and our tourism would suffer and that would mean less opportunistic output for our whole state from the city to the bush and everywhere in between, I personally believe that fracking would have a detrimental impact on all industries who rely on tourism, Including my business.

Considering there has been so many different studies on the toxic dangerous chemicals that are required in the Hydraulic fracturing process. <http://www.gaslandthemovie.com/whats-fracking/faq/fracking-fluid>

There are literally hundreds of communities against fracking throughout Australia.

<http://www.lockthegate.org.au/find_supporter_groups#wa>

The Fracking Industry Australia wide Does Not have a Social licence anywhere in our country and the More our politicians look into the dangers the More they will realise that it’s a danger and a risk.

In conclusion I Personally believe the there is any Risk at all we all should Ban fracking & look towards the future of Renewable energy solutions for Australia to move ahead and stop Ruining Our Country and start respecting the Land we Live In and also Respect  the Traditional owners of this Great land ..  
 Thanking You James Cohen