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This issue of *Transformations* is made up of articles published independently of the themed issues for the year. In keeping with our policy of encouraging independent writing on regional issues, and in providing opportunities for writers to have their work published without delay, we have provided a special yearly issue of these articles, posted serially to this Issue throughout the year.

The first article for this issue is "Conflicting Imaginary Places in a Local Environmental Dispute", by Elizabeth Eddy, and concerns the analysis of a local conflict on the Sunshine Coast involving local residents, developers, local council and the University of the Sunshine Coast which emerged over a proposed road development. The paper examines the debate which ensued to explain the basis upon which the local residents supported the developer's plan to develop the road along its current route, against the natural values arguments put forward by the University for a wildlife corridor.

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