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Applicant – Bowdens Silver Pty Limited

Application Number - SSD-5765

Application – Bowdens Silver Mine

I object to the BOWDENS SILVER MINE proposal.

I declare I have not made a reportable political donation in the previous 2 years.

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I would like my submission to be anonymous.

I request that you please withhold my name, do not publish my name on your website and remove my name from any documents that are already published on your website.

10 July 2020

Dear Planning and Assessment Committee,

The reasons why I object to the Bowden's Mine proposal are

1. I am 76 years of age I have worked and continue working with Bentivoglio Olives and Rylstone Olive Press since 1998
2. I work between 4.5-5km from the Bowden Mine site.
3. My will be affected by noise, dust and odour from the mine and tailings storage area.
4. If the mine goes ahead It will be more dangerous for me to drive from Gulgong to Rylstone Olive Press due to more than 400 truck movements on the Lue Road. I drive at different times of the day or night due to my seasonal olive grove and olive oil processing work
5. My children will be in danger driving on the Lue Road to visit Ganguddy tourist area. There will be at least one truck per day of explosives on the Lue Road and over 400 additional vehicles on the road.
6. I work outside in the olive grove and my health will be at risk due to heavy metal dust deposition on my clothing, and inside the trees that I continually work on.
7. All the potable water for the Rylstone Olive Press comes from the 1200sqm of roof area for drinking, washing, processing, storage, filtering and bottling water will be contaminated by lead. The lead will settle on the roof and be washed into the dedicated rainwater tank farm
8. The wildlife will be scared away by blasting, vehicles, noise.
9. The free silica particles are smaller than lead particles and will also be in the dust and the air that I breath and I risk getting silicosis.
10. My mental health has suffered due to the drought, the bushfires, covid 19 and now this application is another blow to my wellbeing due to the risk of my employment ceasing.
11. I am concerned about the aboriginal sites being destroyed.

My requirements if the mine is approved

1. To work at Bentivoglio Olives and Rylstone Olive Press in a safe and heavy metal dust free environment with NO harm to my health, my familiy's health from me bringing lead dust home on my clothes etc.
2. My work must provide me with potable drinking water and Bowden's must provide this for Bentivoglio olives and Rylstone Olive Press.
3. I drive to and from work safely without risk of an accident from the over 400 truck movements that I will encounter to and from my workplace.
4. Should I suffer nausea/vomiting, abdominal pain, headache, myalgia, muscular symptoms, dizziness, irritability, memory disturbances, insomnia, allergic conjunctivitis, rhinitis, dermatitis,. Throat discomfort, cough, shortness of breath and asthma.

Please provide me with more information about

1. What my rights are if my health deteriorates due to the heavy metal dust on me and the water I drink.
2. Dementia , heart and kidney disease from lead contamination
3. Silicosis from breathing the tiny dust with silica particles blowing continuously from the mine.

Thank you

