

Subject: Angus Place mod 8 and West Coal Services mod 5 submission

I have made a reportable political donation:

No



I am objecting to the proposal:

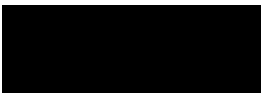
Yes

To Whom it May Concern,

I would like to oppose and object to the proposed Angus Place Coal mine's plan to pump toxic effluent into the Sydney Catchment area and, most disturbingly, into the drinking water catchment. My objection is based on the following:

- The potential for water contamination and the difficulty in adequately cleaning the water for consumption and safe use should this mine go ahead
- The environmental damage to the waterways and wetlands in the area, and the flow-on effect on the surrounding ecosystem and symbiosis of the environment
- The lack of time provided for the general public to comment on this proposal

I am significantly alarmed that further consultation has not been undertaken, and if this coal mine is to go ahead, that it would have devastating impacts on the natural environment, and the potential to contaminate Sydney's water supply; whilst further exacerbating the continuing climate crisis.



The general public was not given adequate time to comment under planning law.

The modification 8 proposal, which would allow pumping at 10ML/day from areas 800 and 900 is likely to affect the groundwater table and also impact on surface water of the area. This would thus alter the ecosystem's symbiosis, resulting in drawdown of near-surface groundwater damaging plants such as *Xerochrysum palustre* (Swamp everlasting), *Pultenaea glabra*, *Kunzea cerniceana*, *Veronica blakleyi*, *Grevillea acanthifolia*, *Gentianella cunninghamii*, *Prasophyllum australe*.

The proposal runs the risk of contaminating water, which could see more contaminated mine water going into the Wangcol Creek from the Western Coal Services site. This water is likely to be contaminated with toxic chemicals such as arsenic and selenium that have been recorded as present in the mine water of the Springvale-Angus Place mine water system.

