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

I have been bushwalking and visiting the Gardens of Stone area over the past 25 years and would like to see the unique and beautiful pagoda formations and the integrity of the area not be threatened once again by mine expansions, modifications to consents, and discharges that will pollute Sydney's drinking water supplies into the future.

I feel it was disingenuous and a denial of the 14 day minimum timeframe, to have the window for public comment timed for the beginning of the Oct long weekend.

I believe the impacts of these modifications should be part of the Angus Place West major project and assessed as major changes. Their impact is major, not minor. They should be withdrawn and included in the State Significant DA so they can be assessed properly.

Adverse impacts on the groundwater table has been seen already and these modifiations will continue and increase adverse impacts in the area.

Mine effluent risks contaminating aquatic ecosystems, and this is too great a risk in this sensitive area.

Modification 8 Angus Place and Modification 5 Western Coal Services should come under the EPBC Act, and not skirted around it.

Centennial Coal has a poor track record over many years from as far back as 2011 in damaging the Gardens of Stone environment. They need to be scrutinised.

Additional water treatment is needed to protect the Cox's River and other streams and aquatic environments. Protect the gardens of Stone and do not allow mine expansion and discharge of wastewater here at any time.