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I am objecting to the proposal:  
Yes

I occasionally travel to the Gardens of Stone for recreation, and am concerned about the impacts of this project. I object to the exhibition of these modifications proposals on mining consents that were timed to coincide with the October long weekend.

The exhibition is unreasonable because the public has been given the minimum time of only 14 days to review and then comment on these complicated proposals.

These modifications should be part of the Angus Place West state significant development. The dewatering is simply the first stage of that mining proposal. Splitting this out as a modification is mischievous. Damage to nationally significant wetlands is a major risk from Angus Place Modification 8 – especially given Centennial's long record of destroying endangered wetlands, and its failure to predict swamp damage arising from its mining operations.

If the proposed Angus Place modification 8 is approved, groundwater drawdown could cause irreversible damage to Long Swamp and other nationally endangered wetlands located along Lambs and Kangaroo Creeks. Nationally endangered plants will also be affected.

I'm also concerned that the modifications will harm water quality of the Coxs River.

The discharges proposed will have a negative impact on water quality in the Sydney drinking water catchment. It will also harm aquatic ecosystems, especially macroinvertebrates, and be the predominant flow in Wangcol Creek at LDP0001 entry point.

Adding mine water to a highly polluted element of the Wangcol Creek catchment will push more metals and salts downstream into the Coxs River and ultimately into the Greater Blue Mountains World Heritage Area. Due to significant impacts on water resources, nationally endangered species and ecosystems, and World Heritage, these modifications should be controlled actions under the EPBC Act. Centennial is not a fit and proper person to operate in this environment.

An audit of Centennial's mining licences for the past five years has found at least 134 licence non-compliances across its sites in the Gardens of Stone region.

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