

Dear Ms Evans

RE: Marulan South Limestone Mine SSD-7009

My name is Ros Leighton my address is 586 Mulwaree Drive, Tallong, and I wish to lodge my objection to the above application for the following reasons:

1. The application proposes construction of a 118ML dam, to be inappropriately filled and maintained from Tallong Dam/Weir supported by Barbers Creek with only 85ML capacity. This is clearly insufficient resource to support the company's needs.
2. The dam/weir is fed by Barber's Creek, a small natural water source that is a resource for many residents - and is used for various purposes along its course. It is vital for the support of fire fighting and some residents use it for limited irrigation on their properties. We have seen the impact of removing water from both minor and major key natural water supplies all over the state, particularly in the west - the devastation of natural watercourses and the associated natural ecosystems. This should not be potentiated in other areas by such wanton appropriation of common use water systems.
3. the proposed redirection of water in such volume is totally unsustainable, and the proposal unreasonable.
4. Boral already has more limited access to the water from Tallong Weir and should not be given unfettered access to this important resource.

This application contains issues of significant impact on the local community and needs much broader discussion and assessment with community and government involvement and oversight. There needs to be an appropriate Environmental Impact study conducted.

I hereby lodge my objection to the above application for the reasons included and more. I have no political party affiliations.

With concern

Ros Leighton