

**George Mobayed - Ref 10 0054**

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**Date:** 26/10/2010 2:08 PM  
**Subject:** Ref 10 0054

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Sandor van Laar  
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I strongly object to the Dargues Reef mine.

The proposal is insufficiently researched in relation to the impacts on the water supply in the region, the impacts on the environment the large amount of water the mine will require, and how this will impact a number of endangered species in the area. The safety of the people living below the proposed dam is also a main concern, as the proposal only includes one dam, and not a secondary "safety" dam.

Kind Regards,

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**George Mobayed - submission Dargues Reef Proposal**

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**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 2:37 PM  
**Subject:** submission Dargues Reef Proposal

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Peter and Barbara Lach-Newinsky  
P.O. Box 96  
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**Reference number 10 0054: Dargues Reef Gold Mining Proposal**

**We** object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the mine's potential impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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Peter and Barbara Lach-Newinsky

Bundanoon, 26 October 2010

**Kane Winwood - Re: Submission to Dargues Reef Goldmine at Majors Creek:  
referencenumber 10 0054**

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**From:** Keelah Lam <keelah@lam.net.au>  
**To:** <information@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 8:12 PM  
**Subject:** Re: Submission to Dargues Reef Goldmine at Majors Creek: referencenumber 10 0054

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On -9/01/37 05:59, Keelah Lam wrote:

Dear Sir,

Objection to Mine Proposal reference number 10 0054

I object to the mine proposal above.

The reasons why I object to the mine proposal is that it is too risky to mine in such an area which supports critically endangered species and endangers the health of the river. One only needs to look elsewhere eg Bargo coal mine, and the Hunter Valley disaster any many more in Australia, recently in Hungary, PNG etc to realise that once the damage is done, it cannot be undone, even when the community proves its case in hindsight. Compensation pay outs cannot undo the damage.

Please do not let this Dargues Reef Goldmine at Majors Creek go ahead.

Extended Producer Responsibility Legislation and Zero Waste Legislation would negate the need for continual, rapacious and dangerous mining and the rapid sell off of our non-renewable resources.

Your faithfully,  
Keelah Lam  
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**From:** Karen Lamb <kjlamb99@gmail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 29/10/2010 3:16 pm  
**Subject:** reference number 10 0054

I live in Mongarlowe and was only superficially aware of the planned gold mine at Majors Creek. I am now, however, concerned that questions raised by the environmental assessment need to be answered and that time needs to be devoted to this if I am to feel confident about supporting the mine. I therefore submit the following objection.

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## George Mobayed - Dargues Reef Goldmine

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**From:** Scott Lamont <scott.lamont3@education.nsw.gov.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 30/10/2010 12:20 PM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef Goldmine

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Name: Scott Lamont

Address: 6 Brierley ave Moruya

Reference number; 10 0054

I am writing to object to the reopening of the Dargus Reef mine, on the grounds that further mining will not be a viable source, in comparison with the environmental harm caused by these activities.

These harmful effects could include;

The lowering of groundwater causing rare and endangered plants and animals to be left without water sources. With the destruction of plant species many endangered animals will then be left without a source of food and shelter.

I propose a number of independent researches, into the impact of mining on the surrounding area including the lower parts of the river systems.

Thank you. Scott Lamont

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**Date:** 28/10/2010 1:44 PM  
**Subject:** ref no: 10 0054

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Name: Mark Lansdell  
Address: PO Box 193, Greenbushes, WA  
Reference number: 10 0054

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**Kane Winwood - Fwd: ref number 10 0054**

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**From:** plan\_comment  
**To:** Kane Winwood  
**Date:** 25/10/2010 3:30 PM  
**Subject:** Fwd: ref number 10 0054

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>>> "Tracy Lansdell" <frogfamily@bigpond.com> 25/10/2010 14:20 >>>

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Address: PO Box 193, Greenbushes, WA

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**From:** Helen Clarke Lapin <movingterrain@pacific.net.au>  
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**Date:** 28/10/2010 10:54 PM  
**Subject:** Ref no. 10 0054

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To Whom It May Concern:

Re:

**Reference number 10 0054**

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Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Helen Lapin  
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**Date:** 28/10/2010 2:17 PM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef Goldmine

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I am appalled to read of the consideration and possible implementation of a goldmine in an area of Nature Reserve and National Park. Goldmines, as we have seen in other areas, are a disaster on the surrounding environment, due to the extraction and process involved. Both federal and state governments should be exercising extreme caution whenever our water resources are involved and we are becoming appalled, sickened and disgusted at the seeming indifference to this our MAJOR life source. For goodness sake mining is destroying our water and our environment. When are we going to wake up to the fact that this is more important than allowing the destruction of our country so that companies, often overseas, can make a buck or two.

Libby Lawson  
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East Ryde 2113.

**George Mobayed**

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**From:** "cheryl" <chezett@bigpond.com.au>  
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**Date:** 25/10/2010 12:38 PM

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Cheryl Leathers  
RMB 789  
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**From:** annie ledger <annieledger33@gmail.com>  
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**Date:** 26/10/2010 9:45 pm  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef mining project

Name: Annie Ledger  
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Reference number 10 0054

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Please show some appreciation for the natural world, and reconsider this appalling proposal.

Yours faithfully,  
Annie Ledger



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**From:** "Maureen Ledingham" <maureeneliza@optusnet.com.au>  
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**Date:** 28/10/2010 8:45 PM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef mining project

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Maureen Ledingham  
11 Highlands Avenue  
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### Reference number 10 0054

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Maureen Ledingham

28<sup>th</sup> November 2010.

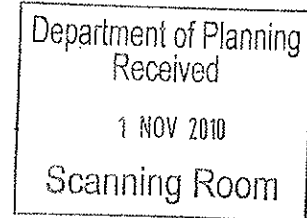


Mining and Industry Projects,  
Department of Planning  
GPO Box 39  
Sydney 2001.

**Re Dargues Reef Gold Project**

**Majors Creek**

**Reference No. 10\_0054**



To whom it may concern,

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am opposed to this project on the grounds that it breaches many of the basic tenets of the Palerang Council's 2007 Social and Community Plan;

Two of the key indicators identified pertaining to environment in Palerang LGA were:

- ☐ Identification of current and possible ecological and social water stress indicators
- ☐ Catchment repair

More specifically the proposed development contravenes the following **ESD principles**;

- If there are threats of serious or irreversible environmental damage, lack of full scientific certainty should not be used as a reason for postponing measures to prevent environmental degradation;
- the principle of inter-generational equity - that the present generation should ensure that the health, diversity and productivity of the environment is maintained or enhanced for the benefit of future generations;
- The conservation of biological diversity and ecological integrity should be a fundamental consideration in decision-making;

development. Such uncertainties unless resolved will have profound social and economic effects on communities within Palerang.

The 2006 Council Community Visioning Workshops identified the following issues:

- Developing and promoting eco heritage tourism.
- Facilitating a well-managed economy and population growth, encouraging the use of renewable resources and to see an economically, environmentally and socially sustainable Local Council Area.
- Respect and preservation of our heritage.
- Maintenance of attractive rural settings.
- Fostering community values and a diverse community. Preservation of current social values were also viewed as important for the area.
- Encourage a flourishing arts and crafts community and a rural industry.

Strangely enough, no mention of mine development as a priority.

To address a couple of other points from the Cortona Environmental Assessment :-

#### Socio-Economic Setting

- Between 80-100 FTE jobs – are these people currently unemployed or are they just career transfers eg potential unemployed Braidwood Palerang Council workers!
- Contribution of \$3 million to \$7 million per year to the local and regional economy through wages and purchases of local goods and services. One would only need 12 families a year electing to live in Palerang LGA because of its bucolic lifestyle to achieve the same result.

The Managing Director of Cortona is “confident that the processes it outlines will allow them to build a harmonious working relationship with the environment and community”.

They may well have involved the community in dialogue to address issues of concern, but I suspect the dialogue with the environment has been, and will remain, a very one-sided affair.

Some of the other issues of concern to the community which came out strongly in the non-Council visioning workshops relate to the overall planning system and governance. The preference is expressed for residents to decide the future of the Palerang LGA and for the community to have control over its own future.

In addition, I oppose the proposed development on ethical grounds.

- Demand for gold has fallen over the past 5 years.
- 80% of gold produced is used in jewellery ie to cater for man's vanity.
- 10% is used as retail investment as a hedge against man's stupidity in mismanaging economies.
- 10% is used in dentistry and electronics- all of which could be obtained through recycling.

In short, the proposed development does not produce a critically vital end product and comes at great expense to the environment and local community.

I implore the NSW Planning Minister to refer to Palerang Council's Social and Community Plan ( developed after consultation with the community in 2006) when considering Big Island Mining Pty Ltd's proposal, and reject the development on the above grounds.

Randall Lemin  
7 Wilson St  
Majors Creek  
NSW 2622



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**From:** "Dr. Randall Lemin" <rmlemin@bigpond.com>  
**To:** George Mobayed <george.mobayed@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**CC:** Steve Whan <office@whan.minister.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 4/11/2010 12:52 pm  
**Subject:** Dargue's Reef Mine  
**Attachments:** 101104G'waterComment2.doc

Dear Sirs,

I have already made a submission to the Department of Planning re the proposed Cortona mine at Majors Creek.

I request that the enclosed attachment be added to my submission. I have asked for some independent advice from a Hydrogeologist about Cortona's Environmental Assessment, particularly as it pertains to Groundwater.

At the moment, that person wishes to maintain anonymity, and so I have to respect their wishes, but their report, I believe, raises some serious questions about Cortona's submission, particularly as it applies to groundwater.

I have already submitted a political Donations disclosure form.

Regards

Randall Lemin  
7 Wilson St  
Majors Creek

## Comments on Majors Creek (Dargues Reef) Mine Groundwater Assessment:

The groundwater modelling that has been undertaken for this Assessment of Environmental Effects is insufficient to assess the potential effects of the mine water requirements on the surrounding environment and aquifer. More detailed modelling analysis and in particular predictive uncertainty analysis, should be undertaken so that the impact of the scarce dataset (e.g. less than 1 years monitoring data etc), on the uncertainty of the predictive simulations can be established. The variability of the real world hydraulic properties has not been reflected in the parameters used in the model, and we believe this variability would be greater than was inferred from data collected. No predictive uncertainty analysis has been carried out and as such very little confidence can be put in the findings of the groundwater assessment. To provide more confidence in this work, the predictive simulations should be reported at the 95<sup>th</sup> confidence level.

The modelling undertaken has not accounted for uncertainty related to the correlation between calibrated parameters, e.g. hydraulic conductivity and recharge, nor how this uncertainty will propagate through to the uncertainty of the predictive simulations. No long term data (climatic or groundwater levels, or river levels/weir) has been used for calibration of the model. The modeller has used one set of water level monitoring data, and optimised the recharge to the system without accounting for the correlation between these parameters. The assumption that the groundwater levels are representative of the long term average is nonsense. This will not be the case and is a serious flaw in the modelling undertaken for this consent as it is this data that was used to calibrate the model. The model has not accounted for impacts during a drought or climatic variability, a common occurrence in Southern NSW.

What is the effect of stope porosity being 40% or 30 % (as opposed to the assumed 35%)? This has not been addressed in the modelling assessment of potential impacts. This assumption and the potential variability of this porosity need to be included in the predictive uncertainty analysis discussed above, with respect to how this assumption might affect the simulated results.

This uncertainty would be able to be reduced after more reliable, long term water level and recharge data are obtained as noted above, and after a more comprehensive hydrogeological investigation is undertaken, including pumping tests and additional slug testing.

Once more data has been sourced and used in a new modelling exercise (as this one is significantly flawed and is not suitable to infer potential effects of the development on the environment); drawdown contours at the 95% confidence interval should be presented to at least 0.5 m contour, as this amount of drawdown may affect groundwater users in Majors Creek depending on their available water for drawdown in their well (i.e. some users may only have 0.5 m of water above their pumps especially during times of low rainfall/recharge).

It appears that it is highly likely that the operations will result in the cessation of flow in Majors and Spring Creeks, surely this is unacceptable. The embargo may apply to this site as the water taken from deeper aquifers is also being taken out of the shallow aquifers/alluvial aquifers as the assessment indicates they are connected. It is indicated on 3-9 that embargoed water will be



taken but suggested that water be purchased from another user or will be supplied from dams. The modelling undertaken is not sufficient to be able to determine with any certainty the volumes of embargoed water that will be taken

To enable a sound assessment of the effects of the groundwater takes on the aquifer and the surrounding environments the following works should be undertaken:

- Obtain long term groundwater level data and determine effects of drought on water levels under existing conditions, i.e. obtain an understanding of the dynamics of the system.
- Obtain recharge data for the catchment or provide recharge modelling scenarios with uncertainty incorporated. Calibrating the model to recharge and hydraulic parameters without accounting for correlation is unacceptable.
- Obtained more data on the variability of hydraulic parameters. The installation of wells and 6 slug tests at 6 sites, with 2 wells in each aquifer media is not enough to obtain a clear understanding of the variability in hydraulic parameters. In addition it is not clear from the report if the slug test analysis took partial penetration of the wells and the effect of the sandpack into account.
- Long term pumping tests should be undertaken to obtain a clearer understanding of the bulk aquifer hydraulic properties, this will provide a clearer understanding of the potential effects of the groundwater take on the aquifer and the environment. The assessment indicates the possibility of existing groundwater users being impacted by the operations (3-60), and due to the significant uncertainty involved and the lack of real data that this modelling exercise has been based on, it is essential for long term pumping tests to be undertaken. Exploration holes with high water inflows could potentially be used for this purpose.
- Undertake predictive uncertainty analysis to get a better idea of the likelihood of various effects of the mining, e.g. calculate contours with uncertainty bounds to at least 0.5 m contours at the 95% confidence level. Undertake a similar analysis for the other predictive simulations included in the report.

Senior Hydrogeologist



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**From:** Frané Lessac <frane@franelessac.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 25/10/2010 5:25 PM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef Mining Project

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Dear Department of Planning,

I am shocked to receive notification of the proposed Dargues Reef mining project and I **object** on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

This proposal **MUST** be halted until further Environmental Assessment is carried out.

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Yours sincerely

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**Date:** 29/10/2010 11:36 AM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef Goldmine at Majors Creek, reference number 10 0054

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To Planning NSW

I am writing to express my opposition to the proposed Dargues Creek Goldmine at Majors Creek.

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Yours faithfully

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## George Mobayed - The Dargues Reef Mine Proposal

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**From:** Christiane Lieberman <chris.lieberman@zen.co.uk>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 2:36 PM  
**Subject:** The Dargues Reef Mine Proposal

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Gentlemen:

I am writing to oppose the Dargues Reef Mine Proposal (Ref. 10 0054)

As a newcomer to Australia, from long-term residency in Scotland in the UK, but a New Yorker by origin, I have been very touched by the land here in Australia. Both in NSW, in the Red Centre, and around Melbourne and down the Great Ocean Road, I am constantly affected by the land in a way that I have never experienced before in my life - it is as if the land here 'speaks'.

A newly made Australian friend, who lives in a beautiful property at the edge of Lara, lent me the book *Seasons of Content*, by Jackie French. This book has also had a profound influence on me, and I hoped to travel to that area to see it in person - her descriptions of it, the passage of the seasons, the animals inhabiting it, her relationship with the land vegetation water heat cool wind etc. So impressed and moved have I been by it, that I have gone to great efforts to find copies online to send to special friends who would appreciate such a deep narrative of life in the bush, the seasons of life for humans and animals, on that particular land.

I understand that the proposed development of the Dargues Reef Mine will have a catastrophic effect on the water levels of the land near the proposed site (not to mention the destruction of the landscape as it currently exists), and that in addition to making access to water much more difficult for humans, it will affect the vegetation, trees, and animals severely to the point of destruction.

I further understand that there will be toxic sludge created as a result of the proposed mining process, and that only a single wall will be built to contain this toxic material, in an attempt to isolate it from the surrounding land, despite the fact that best practise is to provide two walls in case of failure of the first. Especially at this time, when the disaster in Hungary caused by the failure of a wall around toxic sludge has led to spilling of the toxic sludge through the cracked wall's gaps, to the destruction not only of the local communities and land, but toxic risk to wide areas of Europe through which the Danube River runs, endangering people, fish, animals and landscape, with no known methods of prevention or cure - poisoning the land forever.

Hopefully you will receive sufficient responses in opposition to this proposal to prevent it going ahead. It is shocking that Australia, with such a reputation for ecological awareness, should be planning to proceed with this project which will destroy the possibilities of living on such beautiful land, the inevitable result of the changes in the water level and accessibility to water for vegetation, trees, animals and humans who have inhabited that area for generations, and thousands of years before that. At the very least, best practise of building a second wall around the wall proposed to contain the toxic sludge, should be mandatory and checked regularly, with plans in place for addressing any cracks and subsequent faults in the inner wall immediately if and when these occur.

I do hope the needs of industry and mining can be better balanced with the needs of communities, bush-livers and lovers, the land, and the animal life of that land who depend on it remaining as it is - safe, watered, and non-toxic.

Yours sincerely

Christiane Lieberman  
26 Queen Street  
Williamstown 3016  
VICTORIA  
Australia

**George Mobayed - Reference number 10 0054**

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**From:** kim lim <kkinrosssmith@hotmail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 31/10/2010 7:44 AM  
**Subject:** Reference number 10 0054

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Kim Lim  
8 Peary St  
Belmont  
Vic 3216

Reference number 10 0054

Dear Planning NSW,

As a previous resident of Canberra and a concerned member of the public, I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Yours sincerely,  
Kim Lim

**George Mobayed - Dargues Reef Mine**

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**From:** "Lines, Dianne" <DLines@stedmunds.act.edu.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 12:48 PM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef Mine

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Department of Planning

Reference number 10 0054

Dear Sir/Madam,

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

This project is of great concern as it appears that planning approval for business yet again over-rules all other concerns. the TRUE gold in those hills was the environment and its wildlife. The TRUE wealth should be shared with the people not development companies.

Yours Sincerely

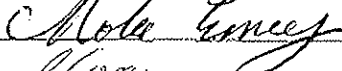
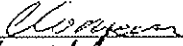


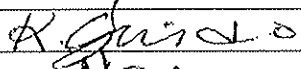

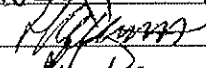
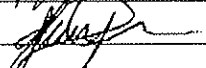

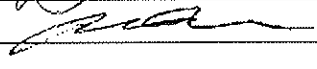
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**George Mobayed - Fwd: A desperate plea from Jackie French**

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**From:** gillian lloyd <jillcoffsjetty@gmail.com>  
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**Date:** 28/10/2010 6:00 AM  
**Subject:** Fwd: A desperate plea from Jackie French

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Email to: [plan\\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au](mailto:plan_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au)  
Name: Gillian Lloyd  
Address: 3/29 Moore st, Coffs Harbour Jetty, 2450, NSW  
Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

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**From:** Holly Lobb <hollylobb@gmail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 1/11/2010 10:23 am  
**Subject:** Opposition to proposed gold mine

Holly Lobb  
PO Box 8637 Koorringal NSW 2650  
Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

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Peace

Holly Lobb

PO Box 8637 Koorringal NSW 2650

"We are called to play the Good Samaritan on life's roadside ... but one day we must come to see that the whole Jericho road needs to be transformed so that men and women will not be constantly beaten and robbed. True compassion is more than flinging a coin at a beggar. It comes to see that a system that produces beggars needs to be repaved."

## George Mobayed - Darques Reef Mining Project

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**From:** "margaret locarnini" <marg.loc@bigpond.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 1/11/2010 3:25 PM  
**Subject:** Darques Reef Mining Project  
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I am writing to express my dismay that this Goldmine may go ahead. I object on the grounds that no assessment has been made on the impact of the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor of the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine. I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2 – 6 kilometres downstream from the mine site. I also request that a test be conducted to determine the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year to allow for variation in rainfall. I also requested that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs at least a year for completion as some species are migratory and others, such as the powerful owl, can only be identified in late winter when they are calling. I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2 – 6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam. I have included two recent articles highlighting the fragility of our planet and valued ecosystems. Australia was represented at the recent United Nations Conference in Japan. When does attendance at such significant events, and being a signatory to the treaty, translate into real action in our own country? Or is it just a token effort so that we are seen to be considerate of the world and its future? Margaret Locarnini 127 Mahoney Road Vesper 3833

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But the two-week marathon talks of the U.N. Convention on Biological Diversity face some of the same divisions between rich and poor nations over what actions to take that have bogged down global climate negotiations.

Scientists warn that unless we start doing more to protect species, extinctions will spike and the intricately interconnected natural world will be damaged with devastating consequences.

"We're on the verge on the major extinction spasm," said Russ Mittermeier, president of Conservation International and a field biologist who has spent decades studying primates. "Healthy ecosystems are the underpinnings of human development."

If one part of the complex network of [living organisms](#) disappears - like bees, which perform the critical role of pollination and whose numbers are falling - the whole system can collapse, scientists argue.

Delegates gathering in Nagoya, 170 miles (270 kilometers) west of Tokyo, for the convention's 10th meeting since it was born at the Earth Summit in 1992 will be asked to set 20 measurable targets for the next decade to try to slow or halt these trends.

"We are now close to a tipping point, that is, we are about to reach a threshold beyond which biodiversity loss will be irreversible, and may cross that threshold in the next 10 years, if we do not make proactive efforts," said Ryu Matsumoto, Japan's minister of environment, in a speech to open the meeting.

Reuters) - Hungary declared a state of emergency in three counties on Tuesday, a day after a torrent of toxic red sludge from an alumina plant tore through nearby villages, killing four people and injuring 120.

The waste, produced during bauxite refining, poured through Kolontar and two other villages on Monday after bursting out of a containment reservoir at the Ajkai Timfoldgyar Zrt plant, owned by MAL Zrt.

On Tuesday, the Natural Disaster Unit (NDU) said four more villages were affected and put the death toll at four. Six people were missing.

Others suffered from burns and eye irritations caused by lead and other corrosive elements in the mud. The flood, estimated at about 700,000 cubic meters (24 million cubic feet), swept cars off roads and damaged bridges and houses, forcing the evacuation of about 400 residents.

"We have declared a state of emergency in Veszprem, Gyor-Moson-Sopron and Vas counties," government spokeswoman Anna Nagy said. "In Veszprem county, it's because that is the scene of the disaster and the sludge is headed toward the other two counties." A Greenpeace expert said the impact from the mud spill could be much worse than a cyanide spill at Baia Mare in Romania ten years ago, when cyanide-tainted water was discharged from a gold mine reservoir, polluting the Tisza and Danube rivers.

**George Mobayed - I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project - Reference number 10 0054**

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**From:** "Kylie Locker" <kylielocker@bigpond.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 3:19 PM  
**Subject:** I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project - Reference number 10 0054

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Name: Kylie Locker  
Address: 25 Bagot St, Dalby 4405

Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I lastly request that a detailed assessment be made of Heritage and Traditional Owner sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Environmentally yours

K Locker

## Kane Winwood - Online Submission from Anne Logan of Retired (object)

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**From:** Anne Logan <logananne@bigpond.com>  
**To:** Kane Winwood <kane.winwood@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 25/10/2010 4:49 PM  
**Subject:** Online Submission from Anne Logan of Retired (object)  
**CC:** <assessments@planning.nsw.gov.au>

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I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Name: Anne Logan  
Organisation: Retired

Address:  
1015 Somerton Road, Greenvale, Victoria

IP Address: cpe-121-214-146-134.lnse3.ln.bigpond.net.au - 121.214.146.134

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**George Mobayed - PROPOSED MINING AT DARGUES REEF MAJORS CREEK**

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**From:** "Dawn Logue" <dnlogue@bigpond.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 29/10/2010 9:48 PM  
**Subject:** PROPOSED MINING AT DARGUES REEF MAJORS CREEK

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Dawn and Noel Logue  
5 Cammeray Court, Wakerley. Qld 4154

Reference number 10 0054.

We object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below.

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We also request that detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2.6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

This area is very special to me (Dawn) due to the fact that my grandmother was born in Araluen in 1869 and accordingly the areas under concern mean a great deal to me and my family and in addition the proposed action in this area is considered sacrilegious.  
Further, a close friend of ours also has family connections dating to the arrival of the Dargue family who came from Durham England and were early pioneers of the districts. In discussions with these descendants they in turn expressed much concern to these developments.

Dawn and Noel Logue  
5 Cammeray Court  
Wakerley 4154 Qld

Reference number : 10 0054

**George Mobayed - Reference number 10 0054 proposed Dargues Reef mining project**

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**From:** "Nel Lombardo" <Nel.Lombardo@challenger.wa.edu.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 27/10/2010 6:50 PM  
**Subject:** Reference number 10 0054 proposed Dargues Reef mining project

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Nel Lombardo  
134 Petra Street  
Bicton WA 6157

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometers downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

I am sure you will heed to these requests and I kindly thank you.

Regards,

Nel Lombardo  
Concerned member of the Australian public.

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**George Mobayed - Conservation**

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**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 27/10/2010 7:01 PM  
**Subject:** Conservation

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Name: Tracey Lopez  
Address: 25 Tay Place Woronora  
Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Tracey Lopez

**George Mobayed - FW: Dargues Reef Mine -**

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**From:** "Henri & Margaret" <Lorangs@bigpond.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 10:00 AM  
**Subject:** FW: Dargues Reef Mine -

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**From:** Henri & Margaret [mailto:Lorangs@bigpond.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, 25 October 2010 11:52 PM  
**To:** '\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au'  
**Subject:** FW: Dargues Reef Mine -

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**From:** Henri & Margaret [mailto:Lorangs@bigpond.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, 25 October 2010 11:36 PM  
**To:** 'comment@planning.nsw.gov.au'  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef Mine -

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Ref 10 0054

From: Dr Margaret Lorang  
24 Edwards Bay Rd.,  
Mosman 2088

I wish to object to the proposal for the Dargues Reef Mine in view of the apparent lack of time given to consideration of the possible serious environmental damage which may result and the questions raised in the available report which have not been investigated.

These include the effect of removal of a large volume of groundwater as proposed, on ecosystems involving threatened species, as well as heritage and indigenous cultural aspects, which can only be adequately estimated by a more prolonged assessment of the local flora and fauna in areas [at least 5km around and downstream from](#) the site, i.e., throughout a year, to allow for seasonal variation, [and including drilling](#). All questions which have been raised, relevant to the environment, need to be answered by means of thorough research, as damage may be irreversible.

Yours faithfully,

Margaret Lorang

**Kane Winwood - Online Submission from Julia Losanno (object)**

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**From:** Julia Losanno <julslosanno@hotmail.com>  
**To:** Kane Winwood <kane.winwood@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 11:16 AM  
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Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

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## Kane Winwood - Online Submission from Karen Lott (object)

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**From:** Karen Lott <karenlott@bigpond.com>  
**To:** Kane Winwood <kane.winwood@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 25/10/2010 6:25 PM  
**Subject:** Online Submission from Karen Lott (object)  
**CC:** <assessments@planning.nsw.gov.au>

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I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project .

I believe there has been no assessment made regarding the impact on groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated and that a detailed assessment be made of all threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site, bearing in mind some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and tailings dam.

Name: Karen Lott

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Beck Lowe  
P.O. 285 Heathcote  
Victoria 3523

Reference number 10 0054

Dear Sir/Madam,

I wish to make an objection to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project proposal.

Although not living in the locally, I had the privilege of visiting the Majors Creek area last year and was taken by its forest, its wildlife, and its natural beauty. I also live close to a goldmine and have observed the local springs dry up as water is pumped from the watertable by the goldmine.

I believe that such developments should not go ahead without appropriate environmental assessments – these must include assessments of the environmental impacts beyond the two kilometre radius of the site. The removal of water from the watertable has the potential to have major effects on the surrounding ecosystem, which in this case contains a number of rare and endangered species including the critically endangered *Eucalyptus kartzoffina*. I do not think the Environmental Assessment was adequate in this case – a wider geographical area needs to be assessed, and the local species and ecosystems must be more thoroughly assessed over a period of at least a year to cover seasonal variations and migratory species.

I also object to this proposal on the grounds that the proposed tailings dam does not have a back-up wall in case of failure – it is considered ‘best practice’ to have a second wall in case of damage to the first. Such safety initiatives should be built as a matter of course.

Yours faithfully,

Beck Lowe

**Kane Winwood - ref no 10 0054**

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**From:** "Virginia Lowe" <virginia@createakidsbook.com.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 25/10/2010 4:03 PM  
**Subject:** ref no 10 0054

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Dear Staff,

The Dargues Reef gold mining project should not go ahead, as it will lower the water table and make the ground water toxic. I understand that there has been no study made of the impact on the surrounding areas, especially on the local flora and fauna in the National Park and Nature Reserve nearby.

It is disgraceful in this day and age, where climate change is a reality, and human damage to our own and other's environment is endemic, that profit still comes before the health of the countryside and its animals, not to mention future generations.

Please do not allow the mine to go ahead.

Regards, Virginia

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**From:** Jacqui Lucas <JACQUI.Lucas@oranaschool.com>  
**To:** "plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au" <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 25/10/2010 4:45 pm  
**Subject:** REF: 10 0054 DARGUES REEF GOLDMINE AT MAJORS CREEK

Name: Jacqui Lucas

Address: c/ Orana School Unwin Place WESTON 2611

Reference number 10 0054

As a school teacher and Australian citizen strongly committed to leaving our world in a suitable state for the children of today to inherit,  
I wish to voice my objection to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Regards,

Jacqui Lucas  
Class 5 Teacher  
Orana School, Canberra

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**George Mobayed - Reference number 10 0054**

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**From:** Fifi Lukito <fifi\_lukito@optusnet.com.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 29/10/2010 10:13 PM  
**Subject:** Reference number 10 0054

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Name: Fifi Lukito

Address: 47 David Avenue, North Ryde, NSW 2113

**Reference number 10 0054**

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.



**George Mobayed - Objection to the Proposed Dargues Reef Mining Project**

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**From:** Cam Luong <cam2luong@gmail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 1/11/2010 10:23 AM  
**Subject:** Objection to the Proposed Dargues Reef Mining Project

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Dear Sir/Madam,

Reference number 10 0054

I, Cam Luong at 8 Grassland Crescent, Cairnlea VIC 3023, object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Regards,

Cam

**George Mobayed - Submission**

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**From:** Diane LYONS <dlyon1@eq.edu.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 12:29 PM  
**Subject:** Submission

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Name: Diane Lyons  
Address: 110 Verney Road East, Graceville, QLD 4075  
Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Regards  
Di Lyons

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**From:** <Maria.Lyons@fmc-asia.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 28/10/2010 8:25 AM  
**Subject:** Reference number 10 0054

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Dear Sir/Madam

Re: Dargues Reef Mining Project - Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Yours sincerely,

Maria Lyons.  
58 Supply Street  
Dundas NSW 2117

**George Mobayed - wombats**

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**From:** riley m <rileym@esc.net.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 24/10/2010 5:29 PM  
**Subject:** wombats

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Name:riley m  
Address:51 HARDING ST, GLENGOURIE.  
Reference number 10 0054

I doubly object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

PLEASE TAKE THIS INTO ACCOUNT!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

**George Mobayed**

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**From:** Jen Macdonald <jen\_macdonald6@hotmail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 1/11/2010 10:25 AM

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Name: Jennifer Macdonald  
Address: 47 Marina Rd Mentone 3194, Victoria  
**Reference number 10 0054**

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Name: Jennifer Macdonald  
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**Kane Winwood - Online Submission from Marnie Macdonald of n/a (object)**

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**From:** Marnie Macdonald <macfamily05@bigpond.com>  
**To:** Kane Winwood <kane.winwood@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 27/10/2010 9:52 AM  
**Subject:** Online Submission from Marnie Macdonald of n/a (object)  
**CC:** <assessments@planning.nsw.gov.au>

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Subsequent to the recent inundation of a village in Hungary with toxic sludge following the collapse of a dam wall, I am astounded that any Australian government would contemplate approving a mining project that does not follow "world's best practice" in ensuring that a 2nd wall is constructed for the tailings dam. Walls do fail, and the devastating impact this could have on such a fragile and special ecosystem is unimaginable. The only obvious reason for not constructing a second dam wall would be to save the mining company money!!

I am also concerned that no assessment has been made regarding the impact of the loss of groundwater beyond the 2 square km radius of the mine, nor on the threatened ecosystems below the mine. Further time is needed for more detailed studies to be conducted, including an assessment of heritage and indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and tailings dam.

Name: Marnie Macdonald  
Organisation: n/a

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**George Mobayed - Darques Reef Mining Project Reference number 10 0054**

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**From:** "Cheryl Macfarlane" <cherylmac@people.net.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 6:40 PM  
**Subject:** Darques Reef Mining Project Reference number 10 0054

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Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Darques Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Submissions must reach the Department of Planning by close of business November 1, 2010.

Name: Mrs Cheryl Macfarlane  
Address: PO Box 951, Maleny 4552  
26 Meadow Rd, Reesville 4552

Name: William and Margaret MacGinley

Address: 20 Killawarra Road, Ashgrove 4060

Reference number 10 0054

We have just heard about the proposal for gold mining in the Lachlan Fold Belt of the Southern Tablelands region of NSW near the town of Braidwood.

We are very concerned about the removal of groundwater resulting from the proposed gold mine at Majors Creek. It appears that The Dargues Reef Mine proposes to remove 66.2 megalitres of water per year from the local water table, leading to a drop in ground water levels of between 1.5 and 10.5 metres. This is an extraordinary and devastating amount.

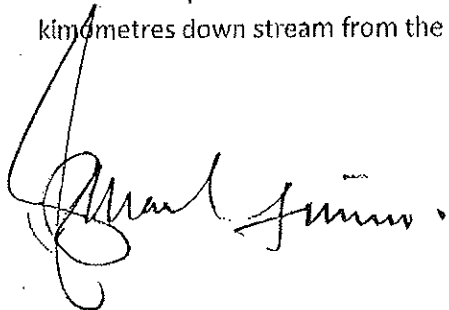
Plants and animals in the area will be under threat. The ecosystem of the area will change. Adequate studies have not been done for the Environmental Assessment on how taking this amount of water will affect the land beyond the actual mine site. There is no mention of the endangered, critically endangered and threatened species in the gorge below the mine, ranging from the Powerful Owl to the critically endangered eucalyptus *Kartsoffina*.

We object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

We request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

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We also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.





**From:** Colin and Alexandra Macgregor <ca.macgregor@activ8.net.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 29/10/2010 2:16 pm  
**Subject:** Submission reference number 10 0054

Name: Alexandra Macgregor  
Address: 41 Spencer Road, Narrikup, Western Australia, 6331  
Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Regards

Alexandra Macgregor

**From:** "Tess Machling" <t.machling@ucl.ac.uk>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 9:48 pm  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef mining project.

Dear Sir/madam,

We have been horrified to hear of the proposal regarding the Dargues Reef mining project. This area has been made famous by the author Jackie French and, across the seas, here in the UK, we are saddened to hear of habitat loss and environmental damage to what is famously such a lovely area.

We object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

We request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

We also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

We also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

We very much hope that you decide to do the right thing by the local area.

Best wishes

Tessa and Andrew

Dr Tessa Machling & Dr Andrew Garner  
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## George Mobayed - email personal: Objection ...Dargues Reef Mine

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**From:** Jan Mackender <JMackender@citywestwater.com.au>  
**To:** "plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au" <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 2:09 PM  
**Subject:** email personal: Objection ...Dargues Reef Mine

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My name is Jan Mackender, of 1 Kingsley Drive, Sunbury Victoria, 3429.

My reference number is 10 0054

I wish to register my strong OBJECTION to the Dargues Reef Mine going ahead at Majors Creek.

I object to this mine because of the suffering and devastation it will cause to animals and plant life that rely on water in this area.

I object also because of the close proximity to the Nature Reserve and National Park which are located nearby.

I object also because removing water from the local water table, will lead to a drop in ground water levels of between 1.5 and 10.5 meters. This will be devastating to the environment.

Please let common sense prevail over \$'s and stop this mine going ahead.

Yours sincerely

Jan Mackender  
1 Kingsley Drive  
Sunbury Vic. 3429.

**George Mobayed - Dargues Reef mining project Reference number 10 0054**

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**From:** Elizabeth MacKenzie <EMACKENZ@nla.gov.au>  
**To:** "plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au" <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 27/10/2010 3:56 PM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef mining project Reference number 10 0054

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Name: Elizabeth MacKenzie  
Address: 3 Weber Place, Holt, ACT 2615  
Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Regards,

Elizabeth

**George Mobayed - Dargues Reef mining project**

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**From:** jmacklin <julie.macklin@anu.edu.au>  
**To:** <"plan\_ comment"@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 29/10/2010 2:22 AM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef mining project

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I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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Investigation should also be made whether removing water from the system will have any effect on agriculture further down stream. The Aruluen Valley is also an economically productive agricultural area, known for its orchards. Will the mine deplete the water available for this? If so the mine's effects may be more than environmental, it might also reduce food production and have an undesired negative economic effect.

Regards  
J Macklin.

## George Mobayed - Objection to proposed Darques Reef mining project

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**From:** "Rhiannon Maclagan" <maclagan@dcsi.net.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 9:30 PM  
**Subject:** Objection to proposed Darques Reef mining project

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Name: Rhiannon Maclagan

Address: 1065 Brandy Creek Road, Rokeby, Victoria 3821

Reference Number: 100054

I object to the proposed Darques Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

I believe that the amount of water that the Darques Reef mining project proposes to remove from groundwater each year is totally unsustainable and an inappropriate and disproportionate use of resources.

I request that you reject the mining proposal for at least a year to allow extensive environmental assessments to be carried out.

Yours sincerely,

Rhiannon Maclagan

## George Mobayed

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**From:** <billiemacleod@westnet.com.au>  
**To:** plan comment <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 10:40 AM

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To: [plan\\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au](mailto:plan_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au)

Billie- MacLeod  
Donovan Crk Rd  
East Lynne nsw 2536  
Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

yours faithfully

B.J. MacLeod

**George Mobayed - Reference number 10 0054**

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**From:** Elizabeth Magnussen <elizabeth@scancia.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 28/10/2010 10:46 PM  
**Subject:** Reference number 10 0054

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Dr Elizabeth Magnussen  
39 Cheltenham Rd  
Cheltenham  
NSW 2119  
Reference number 10 0054

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Dr Elizabeth Magnussen  
39 Cheltenham Rd  
Cheltenham  
NSW 2119



**George Mobayed - Dargues Reef Gold Project**

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**From:** "Elaine Maher" <e\_maher@tpg.com.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 1/11/2010 3:40 PM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef Gold Project

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Name: Elaine Maher

Address: Off, Araluen Road  
NERINGLA NSW 2622 Lot 216 DP 755906

One of the main reasons the above land was purchased so that our children could experience the bush and lifestyle as many generations of Australians have done. The potential dangers & flow on effects from the proposed Dargues Reef mining project has the potential to devastate this and surrounding areas I and our family have come to cherish.

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of the critically endangered, endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres' below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered Powerful Owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Sincerely Yours

Elaine Alice Maher

## George Mobayed - Dargues Reef Gold Project

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**From:** Phil Maher <phil\_maher1@hotmail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 1/11/2010 10:24 AM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef Gold Project  
**CC:** Phil Maher <phil\_maher1@hotmail.com>

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Name: Philip Maher

Address: Lot 216 DP 755906  
(Property No 47825)  
Moruya Road Araluen NSW 2622

EM : [Phil\\_Maher1@hotmail.com](mailto:Phil_Maher1@hotmail.com)

Reference number 10 0054  
Dargues Reef Gold Project, Majors Creek

We have owned our property on the banks of Araluen Creek, Lower Araluen for 20 years and in that time have seen the water flow reduced significantly and a significant lowering of the watertable.

This year has seen some relief but the long term forecasts do not support a drastic increase in water usage. Benmaneng Creek which flows through our property had a year round permanent watersupply 20 years ago, today it only flows for a short period after heavy rain. We strongly feel that our environment and community cannot support such a massive water demand as we understand the new mine will require.

I don't believe that the proposed Dargues Reef mining project will necessarily benefit the local community, infact feel it will be significantly detrimental to the whole enviornment downstream and the many landholders and communities that rely on them. an environment .

More importantly, I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile ecosystems below the mine in the Araluen Valley and on through the Deua National Park to the coast at Moruya.

I believe that the mine proposal also includes a 25 metre high tailings dam covering nine hectares.

Apparently it will contain a toxic sludge that, if the walls break, would sweep everything before it ending up in the Araluen Valley and beyond towards the Deua National Park. The Araluen fruit and vegetable businesses and the domestic water could be severely damaged.

World's best practice' is to have a secondary wall in case the first fails. This is apparently not the case at the proposed Dargues Reef mine

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site

I also request that, because of the unprecedented numbers of rare and endangered, threatened and critically endangered flora and fauna in the four kilometers downstream from the proposed Dargues Reef Mine, including : the New Holland mouse(*Pseudomys novaehollandiae*): vulnerable *Zieria adenophora*- *Araluen Ziera*

\*this matter be referred to the Federal Minister under the EPBC Act.\*

This development should require the Commonwealth's approval before proceeding, as it is clearly under the EPBC Act.

Yours sincerely,

Philip Maher

**Kane Winwood - Online Submission from Jimmy Malecki (object)**

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**From:** Jimmy Malecki <jimmy@jimmymalecki.com>  
**To:** Kane Winwood <kane.winwood@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 28/10/2010 11:06 AM  
**Subject:** Online Submission from Jimmy Malecki (object)  
**CC:** <assessments@planning.nsw.gov.au>

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Extractive Industries should not be exempt from doing proper assessments that will impact Australia's future permanently. Extraction of minerals is forever and the by product of their extraction will damage the environment for future generations. If David Suzuki's proposal to have governments and industries held responsible for crimes against future generations, I feel an act to approve this operation without proper consultation and consideration to environmental damage on a wider scope then this mine will be an act against future generations right to a healthy environment.

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Regrads,

Jimmy Malecki

Name: Jimmy Malecki

Address:

Jimmy Malecki  
2485 Bungawalbyn Whiporie Road  
Gibberagee, NSW 2469

Reference number 10 0054

IP Address: - 180.181.74.203

Submission for Job: #3871 Dargues Reef Gold Project (PA 10\_0054)  
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Site: #2222 Dargues Reef Mine  
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**Kane Winwood**

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## George Mobayed - Dargues Reef

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**From:** "Maley, Lyn" <Lyn.Maley@ed.act.edu.au>  
**To:** "plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au" <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 9:43 AM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef

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Dear sir/Madam

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

**Lyn Maley**  
**School Administrator**  
**Telopea Park School**  
**6205 5521**

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**Date:** 1/11/2010 10:23 am  
**Subject:** Opposition to Dargues Reef Mining Project Ref Nbr 10 0054

To Whom it may concern

Name: Department of Planning  
Address: Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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Gigi Manikauskas  
18 Kirriemuir Street  
Hamlyn Heights, 3215, Vic

**George Mobayed - Dargues Reef**

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**From:** "Leonie Manning" <terry.leonie1@bigpond.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 25/10/2010 11:50 AM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef

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Reference No 10 0054

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Leonie Manning  
255 Cams Boulevarde  
Summerland Point  
NSW 2259



**George Mobayed - Reference number 10 0054**

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**From:** "Amanda Marcel" <marcelconstructions@bigpond.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 27/10/2010 10:19 PM  
**Subject:** Reference number 10 0054

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Name: Amanda Marcel  
Address: 169 Robin Rd, Semaphore South, 5019  
**Reference number 10 0054**

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Amanda Marcel  
169 Robin Rd  
Semaphore south, SA, 5019  
0422677749

**Kane Winwood - Fwd: Objection to proposed Dargues Reef mining project ref no 10 0054**

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**From:** plan\_comment  
**To:** Kane Winwood  
**Date:** 25/10/2010 3:28 PM  
**Subject:** Fwd: Objection to proposed Dargues Reef mining project ref no 10 0054

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>>> "Gerry Watt & Anne Marett" <watt\_marett@skymesh.com.au> 25/10/2010 14:47 >>>

**Objection to proposed Dargues Reef gold mining project**  
**Reference number 10 0054**

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall and impact of prolonged droughts.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

It seems extraordinary that, at this time when great concern is being raised across Australia about the impact of over-use of our groundwater resources, a project such as this, which will take so much groundwater and lower the water table significantly with major impacts on the surrounding environment, is being considered. While we may be in a period of reasonable rains under a La Nina influence at the moment there is absolutely no doubt we will face more frequent and more extreme droughts in future. Protection of our water resources and plant and animal systems is critical. All the gold in the world will not be able to buy us a balanced ecosystem which we require for our survival.

Yours faithfully

Anne Marett  
PO Box 2287  
Central Tilba 2546

**George Mobayed - Objection to Dargues Reef Mining Project**

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**From:** "Sally Margan" <sally.margan@bigpond.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 28/10/2010 2:07 PM  
**Subject:** Objection to Dargues Reef Mining Project

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Name: Sally Margan  
Address: 29 Cessnock Road, Branxton, 2335 NSW  
Reference number 10 0054

To Whom It May Concern,

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

This project will require land clearing. In the area that will be cleared there is a large amount of wildlife and their habitats. There is at least one endangered species *ninox strenua*, the Powerful Owl that habitates this region. The NSW Department of the Environment and Climate Change has identified this owl as vulnerable. What plans are in place to protect the flora & fauna of the area that is to be cleared and surrounds?

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

I live in a mining area and there is nothing good about it. We need to protect our planet not destroy it by mining all the goodness out of it.

Yours Sincerely  
Sally Margan

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**George Mobayed - Dargues Reef Mining Project**

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**From:** Margaret Watts <marwatts@bigpond.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 29/10/2010 5:13 PM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef Mining Project

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Margaret Watts

60 Salamander Haven

Salamander Bay

NSW 2317

29-Oct-10

Reference number 10 0054

Dear Officer,

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project due to its likely effects.

The Dargues Reef Mine proposes to remove 66.2 megalitres of water per year from the local water table, leading to a drop in ground water levels of between 1.5 and 10.5 metres. This is an extraordinary and devastating amount

Plants take their moisture from groundwater. Without it, they die. Animals drink from springs, fed by groundwater. The result of taking this amount of water from an ecosystem will mean that the animals, including resident wombats, will die. And I believe that the endangered, critically endangered and threatened species in the gorge below the mine, ranging from the Powerful Owl to the critically endangered eucalyptus *Kartsoffina* will be irrevocably lost.

The mine proposal also includes a 25 metre high tailings dam to just four kilometres above the gorge, covering nine hectares. It will contain a toxic sludge that, if the walls break, will sweep everything before it. 'World's best practice' is to have a secondary wall in case the first fails. This is not the case at the proposed Dargues Reef mine..

I request that a detailed assessment be made of the dam's effect on endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site.

Yours sincerely,

Margaret Watts

**George Mobayed - Dargues Reef mining project**

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**From:** Michele Margolis <michele.margolis@gmail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 27/10/2010 10:39 PM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef mining project

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Name: Michele Margolis  
Address: 6 Browns Avenue, Enmore, 2042, NSW, Sydney  
**Reference number 10 0054**

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on

the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

I also request a detailed assessment be made on the effects on humans

of taking such large quantities of water as well as of the toxins released as a result of the mining process.

This is an inappropriate project for 2010 and is unsustainable in terms of

its effects on the local fauna, flora, soils and water bodies. To proceed with it would be irresponsible.

Michele Margolis MA TEOL

**From:** Jacqui Marlow <jacqui.marlow@gmail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 1/11/2010 4:19 pm  
**Subject:** Re 10 0054

Dear Sir

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

I object very strongly to any drop in the ground water level. If a mine extracts water it should have to clean up that water with a desalination plant & return the water to the system. Any desalination plant should be wind powered.

A tailings dam with double walls as well as recycling of tailings gangue, is imperative. All toxic materials eg those with extreme pH or heavy metal residues need to be recycled & not left until they cause a problem, as has happened with the dioxin residues around Sydney Harbour. We do not want a repeat of the tailings dam fiasco in Hungary that happened a few weeks ago, here in Australia.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites be done down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

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Kind regards,

Jacqui Marlow

## George Mobayed - Reference number 10 0054

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**From:** John Marlton <johnmar@ispdr.net.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 27/10/2010 12:43 PM  
**Subject:** Reference number 10 0054

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To: Department of Planning

Reference number 10 0054.

### OBJECTION TO PROPOSED DARQUES REEF MINING PROJECT, MAJORS CREEK.

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor of the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine down into and along the Araluen Valley.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site.

This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Signed: John Marlton, P.O. Box 378, Braidwood, NSW, 2622.

Dated: 27 October 2010.



**George Mobayed - Ref #100054**

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**From:** Ben Maron <brmaron@gmail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 28/10/2010 7:00 PM  
**Subject:** Ref #100054

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Name: Ben Maron  
Address: 14 Wangara Street Aranda ACT 2614  
**Reference number 10 0054**

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Sincerely,  
Ben Maron

**George Mobayed - The Dargues Reef mining project.**

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**From:** Ben Marshall <benmarshall.gipsy@gmail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 25/10/2010 5:03 PM  
**Subject:** The Dargues Reef mining project.

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B.P. Marshall  
54 Laguna Street, Qld, 4565  
0754853566  
Reference number 10 0054

Dear Planners.

Regarding the Dargues Reef mining project, it appears insufficient assessment of the impact of this project has been made. On that basis, I would like to lodge an objection to the project proceeding until the following assessments have been made:

Assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site

Assessment be made of the impact of loss of groundwater to the people and ecosystems beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine.

Assessment of heritage and indigenous sites downstream from the mine.

Thank you for your time,

Yours sincerely,

B.P. Marshall

**From:** <shakespeare65@southernphone.com.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**CC:** <jfrench@dragnet.com.au>  
**Date:** 28/10/2010 6:51 pm  
**Subject:** Proposed Dargues Reef mining project

Name: Dr Deirdre Marshall  
Address: 13 Dawson St, Stratford 3862 Victoria  
Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Until a full study has been completed, it is not possible to fully assess the impact of the mine on the local environment. This is the responsible thing to do. I urge you to re-consider your decision and consider the effects on the ecosystem downstream of Dargues Reef.

Thank you for your consideration.

Dr Deirdre Marshall.

**George Mobayed - Dargues Reef Mining Project**

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**From:** Paul Marshall <squeek225@yahoo.com.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 25/10/2010 8:57 AM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef Mining Project

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Name: Paul Marshall  
Address: Diggings Terrace Thredbo Village NSW 2625  
Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometers down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

**From:** Amanda Martin <kaisuiki@optusnet.com.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 7:15 am  
**Subject:** reference number 10 0054

To: Planning NSW  
From: Amanda Martin - kaisuiki@optusnet.com.au

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I would really appreciate a response.

Thank you, Amanda Martin

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Watch your thoughts, they become your words  
Watch your words, they become your actions  
Watch your actions, they become your habits  
Watch your habits, they become your destiny.

**From:** Jeannette Martin <jl.martin@bigpond.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 27/10/2010 10:15 pm  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef Mining Project

Name: Jeannette Martin  
Address: 26 Coolamon Scenic Drive, Mullumbimby 2482  
Reference number 10 0054

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Jeannette Martin  
26 Coolamon Scenic Drive, Mullumbimby 2482

**From:** "Chris and David Mason" <chrisanddavid2@southernphone.com.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 27/10/2010 12:01 pm  
**Subject:** Reference number 10 0054

Name: Chris Mason  
Address: 70 Parklands, Narooma, NSW 2546

Reference number 10 0054

Dear Sirs,

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Just remember the chaos and ruination brought about in Hungary recently when a dam wall burst and the whole of the Danube is threatened by toxic sludge. Do we really want to ruin what is left of this beautiful valley? The answer is NO! Don't let this mine go ahead.

Yours faithfully,

Chris Mason  
President of  
The Montague Art & Craft Society  
(02) 4476 1434  
<chrisanddavid2@southernphone.com.au>

**George Mobayed - Dargues Reef mining Project**

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**From:** "Veronica Mather" <wham2@westvic.org.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 12:19 PM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef mining Project

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Veronica Mather  
65 King Street  
Hamilton VIC 3300  
Mob: 0417 724 975  
Reference number 10 0054

I writing to object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Regards,  
Veronica Mather

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**George Mobayed - REF; 10 0054**

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**From:** Anna Wylie-Matson <annawylie@hotmail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 25/10/2010 11:53 PM  
**Subject:** REF; 10 0054

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Name: Anna Matson  
Address: 18 Bossea St Kununurra WA 6743  
Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

*Anna Matson*

**George Mobayed**

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**From:** Lynda Matthews <lyndagmatthews@hotmail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 29/10/2010 10:30 PM

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To **Department of Planning**

**Reference number 10 0054**

I strongly object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Name: Lynda Matthews  
Address: 11 Thorn st Pennant Hills 2120

*Lynda Matthews*

**George Mobayed - Fw: Dargues reef**

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**From:** "Reg Mattingley" <maryknoll@aapt.net.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 27/10/2010 10:17 PM  
**Subject:** Fw: Dargues reef

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**From:** [Reg Mattingley](#)  
**To:** [comment@planning.nsw.gov.au](mailto:comment@planning.nsw.gov.au)  
**Cc:** [Reg Mattingley](#)  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 27, 2010 7:14 PM  
**Subject:** Dargues reef

Possible Submission

Email to: [plan\\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au](mailto:plan_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au)

Your Name:  
Your Address:  
Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

I would also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling. Our wildlife is precious and doesn't need extra challenges to survive.

A further request is that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Jenny and Reg Mattingley  
Maryknoll Wildlife Shelter  
129 Wheeler Road Tynong North VIC 3813

**George Mobayed - Dargues Reef Goldmine at Majors Creek- ref 10 0054**

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**From:** david mattinson <notwithoutmylama@hotmail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 27/10/2010 8:58 AM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef Goldmine at Majors Creek- ref 10 0054

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To whom it may concern,

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Sincerely,  
David Mattinson  
85 Moreland Rd  
Coburg VIC 3058

**George Mobayed - Online Submission from Xavier Mayes ()**

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**From:** Xavier Mayes <xavier.mayes@gmail.com>  
**To:** George Mobayed <George.Mobayed@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 1/11/2010 10:22 AM  
**Subject:** Online Submission from Xavier Mayes ()  
**CC:** <assessments@planning.nsw.gov.au>

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\*I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project\* on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Name: Xavier Mayes

Address:  
1/434 New Canterbury Rd, Dulwich Hill, NSW, 2203

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Submission for Job: #3871 Dargues Reef Gold Project (PA 10\_0054)  
[https://majorprojects.onhiive.com/index.pl?action=view\\_job&id=3871](https://majorprojects.onhiive.com/index.pl?action=view_job&id=3871)

Site: #2222 Dargues Reef Mine  
[https://majorprojects.onhiive.com/index.pl?action=view\\_site&id=2222](https://majorprojects.onhiive.com/index.pl?action=view_site&id=2222)

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**George Mobayed - Dargues Reef**

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**From:** Katie Mazoudier <k.mazoudier@gmail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 28/10/2010 11:10 AM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef

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Name: Kate Mazoudier  
Address: 100 Amess Street, Carlton North VIC 3054  
**Reference number 10 0054**

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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Kate Mazoudier  
100 Amess Street  
Carlton North VIC 3054

**George Mobayed - Dargues Reef Mining Project**

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**From:** Marg McAlister <marg.mcalister@gmail.com>  
**To:** "plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au" <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 28/10/2010 10:06 AM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef Mining Project

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Email to: [plan\\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au](mailto:plan_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au)  
Name: Margaret McAlister  
Address: 9 Towns St, Shellharbour NSW 2529  
Reference number 10 0054

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**From:** Jennelle McAppion <jennelle.mcappion@gmail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 25/10/2010 7:53 pm  
**Subject:** Objection to proposed works

Name: Jennelle McAppion  
Address: 5 Carwoola Place Queanbeyan  
Reference number 10 0054

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Kind Regards,

Jennelle McAppion



**From:** Kathryn Mc Cabe <kmccabe@ozgreen.org.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 28/10/2010 1:55 pm  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef Goldmine

To whom it concerns,

Re Environmental Assessment into the proposed Dargues Reef Goldmine at Majors Creek,

Name: Kathryn Mc Cabe  
Address: 9/68 Howard Ave, Dee Why, NSW 2099  
Reference number 10 0054

I am writing to object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

I look forward to your response,

Kathryn

Kathryn Mc Cabe  
MA Social Ecology  
Program Coordinator & Facilitator  
OzGREEN  
6B/15 Orchard Rd  
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<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zFS25KyMPCY>

"Don't ask what the world needs. Ask what makes you come alive and then go do that. Because what the world needs is people who have come alive."  
Howard Thurman

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**George Mobayed - Darques Reef Mining Project, 10 0054**

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**From:** "Patricia McCalden" <PMcCalden@activ8.net.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 27/10/2010 8:02 PM  
**Subject:** Darques Reef Mining Project, 10 0054  
**CC:** <kimberly.mackenzie@environment.gov.au>

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26th October, 2010

Name: Patricia McCalden  
Address: 594 Glen Road, Craven 2422

Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Yours faithfully,

(signed) Patricia McCalden

**George Mobayed - Reference number 10 0054**

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**From:** Kathryn McCallum <kathryn@ourorb.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 1/11/2010 10:25 AM  
**Subject:** Reference number 10 0054

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You should know that this proposed mine threatens the habitat of the actual wombat who is star of an extremely popular children's book, "Diary of a Wombat" by Jackie French. My children love this book, as do many thousands of Australian children. Wombats were perhaps not on your mind as you consider this mine, but please understand the potential of this much-loved icon to focus attention on this project.

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Kathryn McCallum

50 Biddlecombe Av Corio VIC 3214

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**Kane Winwood - Dargues reef dam**

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**From:** Sophie McCarroll <sophiemccarroll@yahoo.com.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 4/11/2010 10:06 PM  
**Subject:** Dargues reef dam

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sophie mccarroll  
3/73b strickland avenue  
south hobart Tasmania 7004

**Reference number 10 0054**

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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Sophie Mccarroll  
3/73b strickland avenue  
south Hobart, Tasmania, 7004

**George Mobayed - Possible Draft Submission**

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**From:** "Thea & Jim" <theajim@harboursat.com.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 29/10/2010 1:53 PM  
**Subject:** Possible Draft Submission

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Name: Thea McCarthy  
Address: 70 Gerrett Road, Wangandary, Vic, 3678  
**Reference number 10 0054**

I wish to object to the proposed Dargues Reef mine proposal on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Thea McCarthy

70 Gerrett Road

Wangandary Vic 3678

**Kane Winwood - Fwd: Proposed Dargues Reef mining project**

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**From:** plan\_comment  
**To:** Kane Winwood  
**Date:** 25/10/2010 3:27 PM  
**Subject:** Fwd: Proposed Dargues Reef mining project

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>>> " " 25/10/2010 14:51 >>>

Dear Madam/Sir,

**Reference number: 10 0054**

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Yours faithfully,

Jerrabomberra NSW 2619





**George Mobayed - Dargues Reef mining project**

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**From:** <cmccreton@aim.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 27/10/2010 3:58 PM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef mining project

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Conor & Leila McCreton  
49 Westbrook Ave  
Wahroonga  
NSW 2076

Ref No: 10 0054

We object to the proposed project, on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the 2 sq kilometre radius of the mine.

We request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater, over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

We also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the 4 kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion as some species are migratory and others, such as the endangered powerful Owl, can only be easily identified in the late Winter, when they are calling.

We also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Conor & Leila McCreton

**George Mobayed - FW: Reference number 10 0054**

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**From:** Robert McDougall <m.r.g.e@hotmail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 28/10/2010 1:05 PM  
**Subject:** FW: Reference number 10 0054

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From: m.r.g.e@hotmail.com  
 To: comment@planning.nsw.gov.au  
 Subject: Reference number 10 0054  
 Date: Thu, 28 Oct 2010 12:34:04 +1030

Email to: plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au  
 Name: Robert McDougall  
 Address: 33b Hillier Drive, Margaret River, WA, 6285  
 Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

With the revelation that around 70% of NSW is subject to Mineral/Petroleum/Coal leases,  
 with the obscene and excessive power provided to the Mining Industry through All States Mining Acts,  
 overriding the rights of all other land uses, absolute denial of Natural Justice  
 with the weakening and starving of funds of the Environmental Agencies who assess these projects being  
 unable to do independent research to verify Miners claims,  
 with the increasing awareness (local, national and international) of the damage mining does to communities  
 and the environment (i.e. Hunter Valley),  
 with the NSW governments refusal over the past 15 years to include cumulative impact assessments in  
 resource extraction proposals  
 with the NSW governments refusal over the past 15 years to do a cumulative health impact study on  
 communities and environments in close proximity to mining developments  
 with the Mining Acts in all states refusing to assess the impact of proposals on the "overall area", instead  
 focusing myopically only on the land covered by the tenement  
 with the Council of Minerals and Energy bringing in spin doctors to "manage the outrage" of communities  
 throughout NSW over destruction of land and erosion of communities and their assets (including water and  
 agriculture),  
 with the compromised outcomes that arise through high level lobbying and potential corruption of the  
 decision making bodies,  
 with the recent events in Hungary have led to massive contamination of river systems and the death of  
 people and life forms dependent on these river systems,  
 with the growing importance of maintaining our hydrological formations in a healthy state due to a drying  
 climate  
 with the recent summit in Japan declaring the importance of supporting conservation of our biological

diversity and heritage

with the boss of the World Bank saying that conservation of our biological diversity and heritage is vital to our survival as a species

with the extensive and irrevocable harm that occurs to ecosystems, communities, waterways, flora, fauna and atmosphere that occur due to mining activities

with the numerous examples of mining companies claiming to be able to manage environmental impacts shown repeatedly to be blatant lies

with the abject failure of technologies employed by mining companies to attempt to repair damage caused by their activities highlighting the importance of proper assessment (not this rubber stamp version we have now)

THIS IS HAPPENING ALL OVER AUSTRALIA. IT NEEDS TO STOP, OTHERWISE WE ARE CONSIGNING OUR FUTURE TO ONE OF POLLUTION, SEVERELY DEGRADED ENVIRONMENT, DESTRUCTION OF REGIONAL COMMUNITIES, WATER SHORTAGES, FOOD SHORTAGES AND MASSIVE IMPACTS ON HUMAN HEALTH.

All new mining tenements/leases or approvals to mine should be halted until such a time as legislation is able to be introduced to balance out the unreasonable and overbearing "rights" of mining proponents granted through Mining Acts and given the rising anger and outrage of the community of Australia as more and more communities are seeing their lives/wealth and environment destroyed for governmental and mining company greed.

Most importantly in relation to this proposal, the failure of the approving bodies to require any assessment on the impact on the "overall" groundwater supply of allowing this mine to proceed, shows that the legislation and approving bodies are not equipped and therefore not competent to make an accurate and realistic decision to approve the mine if they do not understand and account for impacts that may occur over the wider region in particular, the likely outcomes for the environment and hydrological formations.

REMEMBER, it was a failure on the part of a government body to properly assess and anticipate the impact on the broader environment of the introduction of Cane Toads, only one of the many poor policy decisions over the years and look where that has got us.

**George Mobayed - Reference number 10 0054**

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**From:** Heidi <heikarumba@yahoo.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 28/10/2010 12:13 PM  
**Subject:** Reference number 10 0054

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**RE: 10 0054**

Heidi McElnea  
24 Calderwood Rd Galston NSW 2159

The proposed Dargues Reef mining project is a badly planned project. No assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine or on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

There needs to be more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, such as test bores to assess potential impact of drilling on the groundwater.

A detailed assessment should be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Yours sincerely,

Heidi McElnea.

**George Mobayed - objection to the Dargues Reef mining project Reference number 10 0054**

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**From:** alison mcfarlane <alison.mcfarlane@gmail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 29/10/2010 8:32 AM  
**Subject:** objection to the Dargues Reef mining project Reference number 10 0054

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To whom it may concern,

I am writing to object to the proposed Dargues Reef Mining Project, reference 10 0054.

I object to the project for a number of reasons.

First, on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Last, instead of exhausting our mineral deposits for financial gain, Australia should be thinking of 'exploiting' more sustainable resources. The rich cultural significance and beauty of the Araluen Valley for the people of this area, is a valuable asset. Maintaining such assets should be paramount to any future decisions.

Sincerely,

Alison McFarlane and family  
9 Todd Street  
O'Connor  
ACT 2602

**George Mobayed - reference number 10 0054**

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**From:** "Suzan and John McGannon" <jsmcgannon@bigpond.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 27/10/2010 8:53 AM  
**Subject:** reference number 10 0054

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I oppose the Dargues Reef Mine development as it will have major impact on the environment and wildlife in the area. If the amount of water they propose to take the amount of water from the local water table it will affect the wildlife in the area and will potentially wipe out a number or all of the local species. A drop of 1.5 to 10.5m in the local water level is a dramatic drop and will endanger all wildlife in the area.

Another factor against the project is that a second wall is not being built to protect the valley from dam which will have toxic waste. These types of dams have broken in the past and have had a major impact on the surrounding areas. What happens if the dam collapses and people are killed? What would be the affect to the local wildlife and endangered species? The environment may never recover.

Please consider protecting the Majors Creek and surrounding areas by rejecting the development.

Suzan McGannon  
3 Gore Ave  
Shell Cove NSW 2529

**George Mobayed - Dargues Reef Mining Project Ref: #10 0054**

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**From:** Robyn McGlade <Robyn.McGlade@stpeters.qld.edu.au>  
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**Date:** 25/10/2010 8:43 AM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef Mining Project Ref: #10 0054

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Dargues Reef mining project  
Reference number 10 0054

I would like to add my objection to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the following grounds:

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Yours sincerely,

**Robyn McGlade**

**From:** "Bruce McGregor" <BruceMac@sbc.qld.edu.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 25/10/2010 4:13 pm  
**Subject:** Submission re proposed Dargues Reef mining project

Name: Allan Bruce McGregor  
Address: 23 MacDonald Street, Yeppoon, Qld. 4703  
Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.



**George Mobayed - Dargues Reef Mining Project**

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**From:** "MCGUIRE, Greg" <GMcGuire@ambulance.nsw.gov.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 1:20 AM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef Mining Project

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Reference number 10 0054

I would like to lodge my objection to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project. I am concerned that no assessment has been made of the possible impact on the land beyond the two kilometre radius of the mine site caused by the mine utilising ground water for its operation. I am concerned that the proposed tailings dam will leach toxic substances into the ground water and that local fauna will be able to drink the polluted water.

**Greg McGuire**  
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**George Mobayed - Objection to Dargues reef mining project Reference number 10 0054**

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**Date:** 25/10/2010 8:02 PM  
**Subject:** Objection to Dargues reef mining project Reference number 10 0054

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**Re: The proposed Dargues Reef mining project**

**I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project** on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Jo McHenry

**Jo McHenry**  
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**George Mobayed - Reference Number 10 00054**

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**From:** "Fiona McKay" <fionajmckay@bigpond.com>  
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**Date:** 26/10/2010 5:50 PM  
**Subject:** Reference Number 10 00054

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**Comment on Plan: Dargues Reef Mining Project**

Name: Fiona McKay  
Address: 26 Norman St, Mangerton NSW 2500

**Reference number 10 0054**

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project. No full Environmental Impact Assessment or Heritage Impact Study has been made beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine. This is a serious oversight which will have severe consequences for the land surrounding the proposed mine. In particular, the use of groundwater in the mine will immediately impact on the surrounding bushland and bush life, and the ecosystems below the mine, especially in these times of global warming and frequent drought. The lack of a secondary wall for the proposed tailings dam also has serious implications for potential destruction of the land below the mine in the possible event of the dam collapsing.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site including eucalyptus Kartzoffina and Powerful Owl. The endangered Powerful Owl can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling, and some species are migratory so this assessment, too, will need to be carried out over a full year .

Finally I request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

In the 21<sup>st</sup> Century when we have a greatly increased understanding of the relationships between ecosystems and the biotic and abiotic components of any environment, it is very disappointing that the vulnerabilities of this area of the bush have been ignored beyond 2 kilometres away from the mine. Don't let financial greed destroy something that may never recover.

Yours sincerely,

Fiona McKay

## George Mobayed - Dargues Reef Goldmine

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**From:** Marg McLean <margy.mclean@gmail.com>  
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**Date:** 1/11/2010 10:26 AM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef Goldmine

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TO: Dept of Planning  
 FROM: Marg McLean  
 PO Box 462 Singleton 2330

RE: Proposed Dargues Reef Goldmine: reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project .

I understand that the proposal entails taking 66.2 megalitres of water per year from the groundwater. This will lead to a drop of at least 1.5 metres and perhaps 10.5 metres in the watertable. The impact of this mining project has not been adequately assessed since it has only considered around the mine site. The effect of the loss of groundwater on the environment needs to be assessed according to the ecological relationships in this specific geological area. It is considered that the assessment of the impact of this proposed project needs to be for 6 kilometres downstream of the minesite, over at least a year to allow for at least seasonal rainfall variation. What rainfall data for modelling has been used? The longterm drought we have been through may indicate a new pattern for southeast australia, but, in our uncertain future of climate change, risk assessment must take a precautionary approach.

It is clear that there will be more frequent and more extreme weather events. A tailings dam with a 25 metres high wall, high in the catchment, sited above a village and the sensitive environment of the Araluen Valley is precarious. The recent experience of the failed tailings dam wall in Hungary puts this issue starkly before us.

Araluen Scarp Grassy Forest in the South East Corner Bioregion, recently listed as an endangered ecological community is highly likely to be in the gorge below the dam. The mine proposal does not assess groundwater drawdown impact on this ecosystem nor on the endangered and threatened species in the gorge below the mine, ranging from the Powerful Owl to the Eucalyptus kartzoffina (Araluen Gum). The DEC website records, under threats for this species, "At risk from catastrophic events because of small number of extant populations and low number of plants." One of the few known locations of this species is the Major's Creek area.

The proposal does not adequately assess the potential impact. The precautionary approach would be to reject it; as an absolute minimalist approach, there needs to be bores drilled and monitored for at least a year, for 2-6 km below the mine site in to the gorge.

Yours sincerely,  
 Marg McLean  
 FalBrook Wildlife Refuge  
 Mt Royal

**George Mobayed - reference number 10 0054**

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**From:** "Ruth & Rob" <ruthandrobyn@optusnet.com.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 9:03 PM  
**Subject:** reference number 10 0054

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- Ruth McLean 21 Cliff St Coledale 2515 The reference number 10 0054

As a Visitor to the area I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine. I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall. I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling. I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

**George Mobayed - Dargues Reef mining project - Ref No. 10 0054**

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**From:** "Toni McLean" <toni@tonimclean.net.au>  
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**Date:** 1/11/2010 10:22 AM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef mining project - Ref No. 10 0054

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**Reference number 10 0054**

Name: Toni McLean

Address: 31 Valetta St, Moss Vale NSW 2577

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of ground water beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine. Plants, animals and the entire ecosystem depend on the supply of uncontaminated and freely available ground water for survival. The impact of the loss of our ecosystems goes way beyond any perceived benefits from mining that will provide a profit for a few at the expense of our environment and perhaps communities in the area as well. Such environmental assessment as has been made is completely inadequate.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Finally, the recent disaster in Hungary of toxic sludge overwhelming communities 'downstream' of the burst dam site received worldwide vilification. Australia would receive similar opprobrium were a similar disaster to occur at this site in the event of the 25 m high tailings dam walls fail. The mine must at least provide a secondary wall that will be able to withstand the outcome should the primary dam wall fail.

**Toni McLean**

B.Sc.(Hons), Grad.Dip.Couns.&amp;Psych.

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**Subject:** Reference number 10 0054

Dargues Reef mining project  
Reference number 10 0054

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Emily McLeay  
Librarian  
Parkwood Secondary College  
Ringwood North 3134

**From:** "McLellan, Anne" <ELIZABETH.MCLELLAN@det.nsw.edu.au>  
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**Date:** 25/10/2010 7:50 am  
**Subject:** Dargues Creek mining project

Dargues Reef mining project  
Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Yours faithfully

Anne McLellan  
Teacher Librarian  
Kempsey West Public School  
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## George Mobayed - Dargues reef mine

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**Date:** 27/10/2010 1:21 PM  
**Subject:** Dargues reef mine

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Hello

I object to the proposed Dargues reef mine due to the inevitable environmental impacts to the native flora and fauna.

When will people realise that more problems are caused by these short sighted solutions?

*Emilie McMenamin*

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**George Mobayed - Dargues Reef mining project**

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**Date:** 27/10/2010 12:26 PM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef mining project

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Laura McNally  
Address: 13/1A Leeton Ave Coogee NSW 2034  
Reference number 10 0054

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Kind regards

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Laura McNally  
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**George Mobayed - Reference number 100054 - OBJECTION!!!!!!!**

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**From:** Blue Sea <blueseas@iinet.net.au>  
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**Date:** 27/10/2010 12:39 PM  
**Subject:** Reference number 100054 - OBJECTION!!!!!!!

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To Whom It May Concern

I would like to submit the following objection!!

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Thanking you

Lou McNamara  
P.O. Box 151,  
Yorkeys Knob QLD 4878

**George Mobayed - FW: Dargues Reef mining project**

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**From:** Sam Mc Naught <cowgirl55@live.com.au>  
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**Date:** 29/10/2010 4:43 PM  
**Subject:** FW: Dargues Reef mining project

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From: cowgirl55@live.com.au  
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Subject: Dargues Reef mining project  
Date: Fri, 29 Oct 2010 16:10:34 +1030

Samantha Mc Naught  
lot 4 ferndale rd  
BADGERY'S CREEK NSW 2555  
Reference number 10 0054

**As regular visitor to the areas around Majors creek for the last 20 years and a friend of WIRES I strongly object to the proposed Dargues Reef Mining project** on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of ground water beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened eco systems below the mine.  
i request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated. I also request that a detailed assessment be made of the endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometers below the mine site.  
This area has suffered drought for the last 10 years so taking 66.2 megalitres of water per year from the local water table is hardly going to help the enviroment or the communtiy!  
It saddens me to know that such a beautiful area so rich in plant and animal life will be ruined forever and become only a memory to those of us older than 40.  
Every action and inaction will play a part in the legacy we leave our children...I guess they will just have to be happy with a gold ring.

## George Mobayed - objection

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**From:** nelo mcnaulty <neloamcnaulty@hotmail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 3:14 PM  
**Subject:** objection

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Name:Neloa McNaulty

Address:4 Fred Street Red Hill 4059

Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Submissions must reach the Department of Planning by close of business November 1, 2010.

**Fax: 9228 6466; or email: [plan\\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au](mailto:plan_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au)**

**George Mobayed - Online Submission from Patricia Meagher (object)**

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**From:** Patricia Meagher <pmeagher@optusnet.com.au>  
**To:** George Mobayed <George.Mobayed@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 30/10/2010 11:34 AM  
**Subject:** Online Submission from Patricia Meagher (object)  
**CC:** <assessments@planning.nsw.gov.au>

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I'd like to register my objection to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on three grounds.

Firstly, that no assessment has been made of the ecosystems below the mine which are threatened and fragile. There is no mention of the endangered, critically endangered and threatened species including both fauna and flora.

Secondly, that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine. The removal of around 66.2 megalitres of water per year from the local water table which will have a major impact on local fauna and flora. As we all know, available clean water is the life blood of life on earth.

Thirdly, the 25 metre high tailings dam, containing toxic sludge, is not following the precautionary principal by being protected by a secondary wall.

I therefore make three requests:

1. more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.
2. that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.
3. that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Thank you for allowing me to voice my objections.

Name: Patricia Meagher

Address:  
42a Brooks Street  
Linley Point 2066

IP Address: d110-32-163-237.sbr12.nsw.optusnet.com.au - 110.32.163.237

Submission for Job: #3871 Dargues Reef Gold Project (PA 10\_0054)  
[https://majorprojects.onhiive.com/index.pl?action=view\\_job&id=3871](https://majorprojects.onhiive.com/index.pl?action=view_job&id=3871)

Site: #2222 Dargues Reef Mine  
[https://majorprojects.onhiive.com/index.pl?action=view\\_site&id=2222](https://majorprojects.onhiive.com/index.pl?action=view_site&id=2222)

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**George Mobayed**

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**George Mobayed - Reference number 10 0054**

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**From:** tessha m <tessha\_m@hotmail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 29/10/2010 5:33 PM  
**Subject:** Reference number 10 0054

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Name: Tessha Mearing  
Address: 21 kembla st port kembla nsw  
Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

*the sky is not the limit....*



**George Mobayed - Dargues Reef mining project**

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**From:** Shalav Mehta <shalav.mehta@gmail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 1/11/2010 2:06 PM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef mining project

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Name: Shalav Mehta  
Address: 16 Grazier Cct, Pemulwuy, NSW  
**Reference number 10 0054**

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Warm Regards,  
Shalav Mehta

## George Mobayed - Dargues Reef mining project

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**From:** "Contact" <contact@awakenw.net>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 25/10/2010 5:54 PM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef mining project

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Name: Elizabeth Mellor  
Address: 60 Clydesdale Rd, Hildene, 3660  
Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth Mellor

**George Mobayed - 10 0054**

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**From:** felicia mellors <felicia\_mellors@hotmail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 25/10/2010 5:32 PM  
**Subject:** 10 0054

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

**From:** "sylvie.mester@ozemail.com.au" <sylvie.mester@ozemail.com.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 24/10/2010 9:40 pm  
**Subject:** Planning permission.

Name: Sylvie Mester  
Address: 41 Dilkera Rd  
Tathra, NSW 2550.

Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Please consider carefully before going ahead with this project.

Yours sincerely  
Sylvie Mester

**George Mobayed - Reference number 10 0054**

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**From:** Gillian MIDDLETON <gmidd3@eq.edu.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 6:04 AM  
**Subject:** Reference number 10 0054

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Gillian Middleton  
44 Inala Avenue, Inala, 4077 Qld

Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond

the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened

ecosystems below the mine.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be

investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact

of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened

flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some

species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be

easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and

Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and

the tailings dam.

Thank you,  
Gillian Middleton

**George Mobayed - Re: Environment Assessment**

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**From:** "c.miles" <c.miles@broughton.nsw.edu.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 1:08 PM  
**Subject:** Re: Environment Assessment

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Dargues Reef mining project  
Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Regards

Christine Miles

Information Services Assistant



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**George Mobayed - reference number 10 0054**

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**From:** "Suzi Millar" <suzimillar@optusnet.com.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 28/10/2010 9:44 PM  
**Subject:** reference number 10 0054

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I am writing to voice my deep concerns at the proposed Dargues Reef Mine project. I am horrified that this kind of destruction is permitted to happen. It is becoming more and more evident that this country is hell bent on destroying it's beautiful and unique wildlife. Surely a project of this calibre should be considered with extreme care. It appears to me from what I have read so far that there has been no thought or consideration whatsoever put into this.

When are these decision makers going to wake up and see what they're doing! My gosh, it makes me sick to my stomach to see what we're doing to our native flora and fauna.

Please, I beg you. THINK!!! Use that grey matter God gave you. If this project has to go ahead, do some research and put some sought of DR plan in place. I personally don't think any amount of 'profit' something like this is going to make is worth destroying our wildlife.

My details are as follows

Suzanne Millar  
62 Clem Hill Street  
Gordon ACT 2906

## George Mobayed - Dargues Reef Goldmine

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**From:** JJ Miller <jjm7530@gmail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 2:50 PM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef Goldmine








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Ref # 10 0054

I am "**NOT IN FAVOUR**" of the proposed Dargues Reef Goldmine at Majors Creek.  
 When are we going to stop being so greedy and start to protect the precious life around us.  
 The Wombats and other wildlife are more important than the personal profits of this mine **"NO"**

Jennifer Miller  
 P.O.Box 308  
 Woori Yallock  
 Vic  
 3139  
 0425752243

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 **J.J.M...**  **2010**     



## George Mobayed - Darques Reef Mining project

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**From:** Pamela Miller <pmill@iprimus.com.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 9:59 PM  
**Subject:** Darques Reef Mining project

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Reference number 10 0054

This email is to tell you that I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project.

I object to it on the grounds that there has not been any assessment made of what the impact would be on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

I am requesting that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I am also requesting that you give more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Pamela Miller  
26 Argyle Crescent  
Alfredton  
Vic 3350

**George Mobayed - Re Dargues Reef Mine**

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**From:** jcmills jalal <jcmills.jalal@gmail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 9:29 PM  
**Subject:** Re Dargues Reef Mine

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Re Proposed Dargues Reef Mine

Dear planning authorities of NSW,

I am a resident of Queensland, 8 Tillbrook street Chapel Hill, and have heard about a proposed gold mine, and am concerned about the affects of the withdrawal of so much water for use by the gold mine and the effects on the local environment. This is the driest continent on earth and use of water must be carefully assessed. AS I understand no environmental impact studies have been done, and the tailings dam, apart from covering such a huge area, is singular, and as we have just seen in Hungary, could fail, so without a second wall or other contingency, can be disastrous. Don't make a mistake of allowing water usage, then having to rescind, as with the Murray River system, easier not to let an industry build up, than to have to pull it down once in full production. This is not smart politically.

Thank you for your time in this regard,

Yours sincerely

Corinna Mills,

Dental Surgeon, Brisbane.

**George Mobayed - Objection to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project**

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**From:** "Milne, Erin K" <milne.erin.k@edumail.vic.gov.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 25/10/2010 9:43 AM  
**Subject:** Objection to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project

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Name: Erin Milne  
Address: PO Box 1371, Traralgon VICTORIA  
Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

Furthermore I request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Thank you,  
-Erin Milne

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Jan Misiurka  
26 Leith Street,  
Newborough, Victoria. 3825

To whom it may concern,

Reference number 10 0054

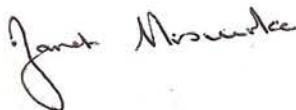
I have reservations to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project in NSW on the basis that it appears no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Janet Misiurka', written in a cursive style.

# **Objection to the proposed Dargues Reef Mining Project**

To: The Department of Planning, New South Wales

Monday 25<sup>th</sup> October 2010

## **TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN**

### **Reference number 10 0054**

We wish to object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no scientifically rigorous assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

We request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

We also demand that the requirements of the EPBC Act be followed and that a detailed environmental assessment be made of the endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna within a four kilometre radius below the proposed mine site. As a number of these species are included on the IUCN Red List (the International Union for the Conservation of Nature) it is imperative that the correct procedures are followed in the assessment of the possible impact upon their future survival. Failure to do so will no doubt result in international criticism of both the state and federal governments of Australia.

We also request that a detailed assessment and report be made of heritage and indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Thank you for considering our concerns raised in this objection.

Yours sincerely,

*Pamela and Trevor Miskin*

Pamela & Trevor Miskin  
P.O. Box 91  
Woori Yallock 3139  
Victoria AUSTRALIA  
[pjwmiskin@bigpond.com](mailto:pjwmiskin@bigpond.com)  
Phone: 03 5967 1879

## George Mobayed - FW: A Desperate Message from Jackie French via the Catholic Coalition for Justice and Peace.

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**From:** "Gregory Mitchell" <g.mitchell41@optusnet.com.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 29/10/2010 4:31 PM  
**Subject:** FW: A Desperate Message from Jackie French via the Catholic Coalition for Justice and Peace.

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**From:** Phil and Fran Jones [mailto:pfjones@tpg.com.au]  
**Sent:** Thursday, 28 October 2010 7:18 AM  
**To:** Phil Jones  
**Subject:** FW: A Desperate Message from Jackie French via the Catholic Coalition for Justice and Peace.

Dear SJ Supporters,  
 The Catholic Coalition for Justice and Peace is circulating this request for help.  
 Regards,  
 Phil

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Keep in Touch with others concerned about Social Justice, the Environment and Marginalised in the region of Broken Bay. Navigate to: [http://sjaroundthebay.org/?page\\_id=1022](http://sjaroundthebay.org/?page_id=1022)

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**From:** The Grail Sydney [mailto:grailsydney@ozemail.com.au]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, 27 October 2010 2:20 PM  
**To:** Grail Sydney  
**Subject:** Fw: A Desperate Message from Jackie French

Forwarding at Sandra's request. If you want to respond. please note there are only a few days in which to do so. Best wishes, Alison Healey

----- Original Message -----

**From:** [Sandra Menteith](#)  
**To:** [Sandra Menteith](#)  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 27, 2010 11:56 AM  
**Subject:** Fwd: A Desperate Message from Jackie French

Dear friends and colleagues

I am passing on an URGENT call for assistance regarding a gold mining proposal at Araluen (including a 25m high toxic tailings dam of 9 hectares).

Please read Jackie's message below (esp. sections marked in red) and **take 5 minutes to send a brief submission by this Friday** - and forward to your networks.

Shalom  
Sandra

A Desperate Message from Jackie French

Please help us, the wombats, and the valley. **There is only one week left to try to save them.**

Two weeks ago we were finally given copies of the Environmental Assessment into the proposed Dargues Reef Goldmine at Majors Creek, four kilometres directly upstream from our property and even closer to the Nature Reserve and National Park partially surrounding us. The details revealed in it had not previously been made public.

**The Dargues Reef Mine proposes to remove 66.2 megalitres of water per year from the local water table, leading to a drop in ground water levels of between 1.5 and 10.5 metres. This is an extraordinary and devastating amount.**

Plants take their moisture from groundwater. Without it, they die.

Animals drink from springs, fed by groundwater. Without it, they die.

The result of taking this amount of water from an ecosystem will mean that it, too, will die.

No studies have been done for the Environmental Assessment on how taking this amount of water will affect the land beyond the actual mine site. There is no mention of the endangered, critically endangered and threatened species in the gorge below the mine, ranging from the Powerful Owl to the critically endangered *Eucalyptus kartzoffina*.

The mine proposal also includes a **25 metre high tailings dam to just four kilometres above us and the gorge, covering nine hectares. It will contain a toxic sludge that, if the walls break, will sweep everything before it, from our house to every plant and creature in the valley. 'World's best practice' is to have a secondary wall in case the first fails. This is not the case at the proposed Dargues Reef mine**

. If this mines goes ahead the animals and plants of the valley may die. **The wombat of "Diary of a Wombat" may die.** As for myself- if the bush where I have lived and loved and walked for over 30 years dies around me, then what would be left would not be the Jackie French who had walked and studied and loved the bush community for more than 30 years.

If you have loved Diary of a Wombat; if you want to save the life and environment of the real wombat on whom the story is based; if my writing has moved you in any way and if you feel the need to preserve endangered species, or an area of such rich and varied habitat please email your opposition to the mine by close of business this Friday.

I have walked this land for over 30 years. I have drawn the inspiration for my work from the bush around me. To say I love it is inadequate. I am part of it; without it, the person I am will cease to be.

But I have choices. I can leave if the water turns toxic, if the sludge descends. I can buy water and have it tanked in. The wombats, the wallabies, the Powerful Owls- already isolated by surrounding human farms and settlement and starting to be affected by the environmental impacts of climate change - have no such choice. I owe this place too much not to at least try to defend it and its inhabitants now.

. If you love wombats, the bush, or justice; if you believe that animals have a right to survival despite the benefits to humans from mining gold; if you think that long term investment in the bush, growing peaches or writing books is more valuable than a short term

mining gain, spend just five minutes today emailing your objection to the Dargues Reef Mine.  
 The Dargues Reef Environmental Assessment can be read at [www.planning.nsw.gov.au](http://www.planning.nsw.gov.au) by following the prompts. If you would like further details about the critically endangered species and grasslands, or the removal of the groundwater, please contact me at [jfrench@dragnet.com.au](mailto:jfrench@dragnet.com.au)

Please- can you help? Or do you know anyone else who can help?  
 Any submission will help save the valley, and it's critically endangered species.

If you have a spare five minutes, please send your own submission. **Please ask your friends to put in submissions too, by the end of this week.**

- Submissions should include:
  - Your name and address
  - The reference number 10 0054
  - . Whether you support or object to the mine proposal
  - . The reasons why you support or object to the mine proposal

**Submissions much reach the Department of Planning by close of business November 1, 2010**

**Fax: 9228 6466**

**Or**

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**Possible (draft) Submission**

Email to: [plan\\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au](mailto:plan_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au)

Name: Gregory Mitchell

Address: 137 Frenchs forest Rd, Seaforth NSW 2092

**Reference number 10 0054**

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Gregory Mitchell JP (NSW)

137 Frenchs Forest Rd, Seaforth, NSW 2092





## George Mobayed - FW: Dargues Reef Mining Project

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**From:** "Judy Mitchell" <judy45@tpg.com.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 29/10/2010 11:51 AM  
**Subject:** FW: Dargues Reef Mining Project

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Name: [Judy Mitchell](#)

Address: Araluen Rd Araluen

Reference number 10 0054

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Yours sincerely,

Rob Mitchell

## George Mobayed - Dargues Reef Mining Project

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**From:** "Rob Mitchell" <robert.mitchell@tpg.com.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 29/10/2010 11:48 AM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef Mining Project

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Name: Rob Mitchell  
Address: Araluen Rd Araluen  
Reference number 10 0054

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Yours sincerely,

Rob Mitchell

**George Mobayed - the proposed Dargues Reef mining projec**

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**From:** Bronwen Moir <bronwen@moirs.com.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 28/10/2010 2:12 PM  
**Subject:** the proposed Dargues Reef mining projec

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Name: Bronwen and Peter Moir  
Address: 4 New Forster Rd  
Smiths Lake NSW 2428

Reference number 10 0054

We object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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We also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

**Regards**  
**Peter and Bronwen Moir**

**George Mobayed - Ref: 10 0054**

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**From:** Daniel & Leah Moir <dlmoir@internode.on.net>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 27/10/2010 8:05 AM  
**Subject:** Ref: 10 0054

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Name: Leah Moir  
Address: 25 Alice St Queanbeyan NSW  
Reference number: 10 0054

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Regards,

Leah Moir

**George Mobayed - Dargues Reef - objection**

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**From:** "Sam & Deb Molloy" <molloy@esc.net.au>  
**To:** <comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>, <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 24/10/2010 5:27 PM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef - objection

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Email to: plan\_ [comment@planning.nsw.gov.au](mailto:comment@planning.nsw.gov.au)  
Name: S T Molloy  
Address: 51 Harding St, Glengowrie, SA 5044  
Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project

My grounds are as follows:

1. I understand that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine
2. I understand that no assessment has been made of the impact on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.
3. The site of Jackie French's 'Diary of a Wombat' is a site of significant cultural heritage

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. It seems logical that this should also be allowed a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Thank you

Sam

**From:** <cmoloney@elitemail.org>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**CC:** <drummoyne@parliament.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 30/10/2010 5:16 am  
**Subject:** Your Planning Reference 10 0054

Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project.

I have concerns that a full, appropriate and relevant approval process has not been followed and shortcuts have been taken to achieve predetermined conclusions.

I also share the concerns of other worried citizens and join my name to their requests for a much more comprehensive study as an essential prerequisite before any consideration of the proposed project by the Department of Planning. That study MUST be an open process.

The assessment that has been made of the impact of the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine is inadequate and inappropriate given the genuine wider risks. The failure to examine the impact of mine operations and infrastructure on a fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine is unprofessional, worrying and sets an inappropriately weak standard for assessment of this and future projects. When a project will have enduring impact over many years, the consequences over those years must be properly assessed. This project has not been properly assessed. It has only been assessed for its relatively immediate impact in a very narrow and immediate area. It does not take a rocket scientist to recognise this is a phony approach.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall. I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling. I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

CJ Moloney  
Abbotsford NSW.

**George Mobayed**

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**From:** "Moltow, David" <David.Moltow@utas.edu.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 25/10/2010 12:44 PM

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Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Sincerely,  
Dr David Moltow

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**Dr David Moltow**

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**George Mobayed - Opposition to Dargues Reef Mine 100054**

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**From:** "Fiona Moore" <fhmoore@bigpond.net.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 25/10/2010 8:07 PM  
**Subject:** Opposition to Dargues Reef Mine 100054

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Name: Fiona Moore  
Address: 43 Isaac Smith Parade, Kings Langley NSW 2147  
Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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Fiona Moore

**George Mobayed - Department of Planning - Reference number 10 0054 - PROPOSED DARGUES REEF MINING PROJECT**

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**From:** "Robert Moore" <Robert.Moore@melbourne.vic.gov.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 1/11/2010 10:28 AM  
**Subject:** Department of Planning - Reference number 10 0054 - PROPOSED DARGUES REEF MINING PROJECT

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Name: Robert Moore

Address: 605 Station St, Carlton North, Vic 3054

Reference number 10 0054

**I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project** on the grounds that

no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and

Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

**Robert Moore**

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**George Mobayed - Proposed mine**

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**From:** Elizabeth Mor <EMor@chac.qld.edu.au>  
**To:** "plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au" <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 25/10/2010 1:11 PM  
**Subject:** Proposed mine

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Name: Elizabeth Mor  
Address: 50 Morehead Avenue, Norman park, 4170  
Reference number 10 0054

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Elizabeth Mor

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**George Mobayed - Objection to Dargue's Reef Mine**

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**From:** "Sally Mordike" <sally.mordike@bigpond.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 29/10/2010 10:38 AM  
**Subject:** Objection to Dargue's Reef Mine

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Name: Sally Mordike

Address: 74 Lachlan Street, Macquarie, ACT, 2614

Reference number: 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

I am also concerned that there is no plan to have a secondary wall for the tailings dam, which, if the dam wall fail, would result in toxic sludge from the mine spilling out and destroying the valley.

'World's best practice' is to have a secondary wall in case the first fails.

I look forward to hearing your response to these requests.

Yours sincerely  
Sally Mordike

**George Mobayed - objection to Dargues Reef mining project**

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**From:** Judith MORGAN <jmorg31@eq.edu.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 27/10/2010 4:22 PM  
**Subject:** objection to Dargues Reef mining project

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Email to: plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au  
Name: Judith Morgan  
Address: 29 Owenia st Algester 4115  
Reference number 10 0054

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the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

**George Mobayed - Dargues Reef Mining Project, Ref 100054**

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**From:** "Dianne Morris" <ideas11@optusnet.com.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 1/11/2010 10:23 AM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef Mining Project, Ref 100054

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Please take more time to completely assess the effect of groundwater loss on the surrounding area, and to properly assess impact on wildlife and fauna, including the wombat.

Jackie French has lived here for 30 years, and made this area and its inhabitants part of the culture of Australian animals in children's literature. I have no doubt that she can also bring infamy upon your heads by exposing (through her rather powerful pen) any lack of care for animals and environment inherent in your plan.

Sincerely,  
Dianne Morris

**George Mobayed - objection to proposed darques reef mining project**

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**From:** "Kaye morris" <kayemorris@optusnet.com.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 28/10/2010 5:09 PM  
**Subject:** objection to proposed darques reef mining project

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REFERENCE NO . 10 0054

My name: KAYE MORRIS  
ADDRESS: 17 EUGARIE ST, NOOSA HEADS, QLD 4567

I object to the proposed Darques Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine. I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

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Yours sincerely

Kaye Morris

**From:** "Ray and Trina Morris" <trinaandray@activ8.net.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 24/10/2010 8:40 pm  
**Subject:** Reference number 10 0054 - Dargues Reef Mine

My name is Trina Morris  
My address is 1017 Avonside Rd, Avonside NSW 2628

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam



**From:** rosemary morrow <rowemorrow@gmail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 3/11/2010 1:33 pm  
**Subject:** The Dargue's Reef Environmental Assessment

I utterly deplore the proposal to mine this valley of inestimable value to NSW and with the knowledge the locals have gathered over the years.

It is this sort of proposal which is destroying rare and endangered species.

I request that it be abandoned and the valley allowed to live its life perfectly and quietly and naturally.

Yours

Rosemary Morrow, B. Agric. Sci. (Sydney Uni) M.A. (Reading Uni)  
46 Mort Street  
Katoomba NSW

**From:** Cath Morton-Evans <cathme@iprimus.com.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 29/10/2010 9:16 am  
**Subject:** Reference: 10 0054 - Dargues Reef Mine

Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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Yours in anticipation,

Catherine Morton-Evans  
51 Clearview Pde  
Hazelbrook  
NSW 2779.

**George Mobayed - Dargues Reef mining project - objection**

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**From:** Siobhan Motherway <eclectic@internode.on.net>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 6:53 PM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef mining project - objection

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Name: Siobhan Motherway  
Address: 74 Glengyle St, Coburg, Vic, 3058  
Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

These heritage properties, the flora and fauna, are **not for sale**. They are nationally significant, not only environmentally, but also as part of a broader cultural landscape. I would urge you to reconsider this project in light of the threat it poses to those who live just outside the immediate scope of the mine itself.

Thank you.  
Siobhan Motherway

## George Mobayed - Dargues Reef mining project - Reference number 10 0054

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**From:** Kay & Dallas <dalkay@activ8.net.au>  
**To:** <"plan\_comment"@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 27/10/2010 10:56 AM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef mining project - Reference number 10 0054

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Dear Sir/Madam,

**I write to express my objection to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project,** for the following reasons:

- \* No assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine.
- \* No assessment has been made on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.
- \* The Dargues Reef Mine proposes to remove 66.2 megalitres of water per year from the local water table, leading to a drop in ground water levels of between 1.5 and 10.5 metres. This is a remarkable and potentially devastating amount.
- \* Plants take their moisture from groundwater. Without it, they die.
- \* Animals drink from springs, fed by groundwater. Without it, they die.
- \* The result of taking this amount of water from an ecosystem will mean that it, too, will die.
- \* No studies have been done for the Environmental Assessment on how taking this amount of water will affect the land beyond the actual mine site.
- \* There is no mention of the endangered, critically endangered and threatened species in the gorge below the mine, ranging from the Powerful Owl to the critically endangered eucalyptus *Kartsoffina*.

**I therefore ask as follows:**

- \* That more time be made for the above, and other matters raised by the Environmental Assessment, to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater. This should take place over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.
- \* That a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also requires a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.
- \* That a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometers down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

I look forward to your assurance that a decision in regard to this project will not be made until the above further assessments and studies have taken place.

Yours faithfully,

Kay Muddiman,

'Marwood'

940 Bridge Creek Road,

Crooked Corner NSW 2583

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*"The planet can survive without human life but it cannot survive without animal life. The animals are the keepers of the earth - they pollinate it, fertilise it, prune it, aerate it and keep the earth healthy. They are life itself. Without them we are the endangered species, and remember - every time a species dies, we are ourselves one step closer to extinction".*  
*(Denise Garratt and Kim Dale.)*

**George Mobayed - Dargues Creek Gold Mine objection**

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**From:** gloria muir <gloriamuir@yahoo.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 27/10/2010 8:36 PM  
**Subject:** Dargues Creek Gold Mine objection  
**CC:** gloria rippon <bunnanbuie@yahoo.com>

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Gloria Muir  
76 Unwins Bridge Rd  
St Peters, 2044,NSW

Ref:10 0054-proposed gold mine at Dargues Creek

I would like to strongly oppose this, on the grounds that there has been no assessment made of the loss of groundwater beyond the 2 square kilometer radius of the mine.

More time should be allowed for a more considered approach to environmental effects of this mine. I am appalled that any Government could even consider a gold mine which has the capacity to leach massive amounts of cyanide into the environment without any recompense or remediation if there is a collapse of the tailings dam, nor any attempt to measure any leaks.

It was an Australian firm, Esmeralda Exploration, which was responsible for the collapse of an inadequate tailings dam at Baia Mare, letting 100,000 cubic meters of cyanide-contaminated water pollute land and waterways.

The proposed gold mine at Dargues Creek does not have an adequate retaining wall at the tailings dam.

Could you advise me of your plan to remediate the land and fauna when the inevitable collapse occurs.?

Gloria Muir

## George Mobayed - Proposed Dargues Reef mining project-Objection

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**From:** "MULDER, MONICA" <Monica.Mulder@sydneywater.com.au>  
**To:** "'plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au'" <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 28/10/2010 11:37 AM  
**Subject:** Proposed Dargues Reef mining project-Objection

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Name: Monica Mulder  
 Address: 5 Ensign Place, Castle Hill NSW 2154

### Reference number 10 0054

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**Date:** 26/10/2010 11:01 AM  
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Name: Emma Mullenger  
Address: 222/25 Best St, Lane Cove, NSW  
Reference number: 10 0054

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**Emma Mullenger**  
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## George Mobayed - dargues reef mining project

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**From:** "Gail" <gailfreda@bigpond.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 27/10/2010 6:52 PM  
**Subject:** dargues reef mining project

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Name: Gail Mumme  
 Address: 12 Plover Court  
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Reference number 10 0054

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### WE ARE GETTING TOO GREEDY

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**I also request that this is look at very carefully as we have only chance when we wreck our environment we CAN NEVER REALLY REPAIR IT, It is up to us to make sure we have a sustainable environment or WHAT WILL WE HAVE -NOTHING -OUR LAND WILL JUST BE LIKE THE MOON -DUST NO NATIVE HABITAT. It is sad that many of the places of my childhood are not here more for my children to enjoy the bush walks the bird and animal spotting and the wildflower spotting. PLEASE DON'T LET US LOOSE ANY MORE**

Thank you for reading this and I look forward to positive action being taken

Gail Mumme

**George Mobayed - DARGUES REEF MINING PROJECT SUBMISSION**

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**From:** "Jill Munyard" <jillwalt@inet.net.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 27/10/2010 4:24 PM  
**Subject:** DARGUES REEF MINING PROJECT SUBMISSION

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To whom it may concern :  
DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING

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Name: Jill Munyard  
Address: 1 Duke Street, Subiaco WA 6008  
Reference number 10 0054

## George Mobayed - Gold Mine?

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**From:** padge48 Murdock <padge48@hotmail.com>  
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**Date:** 26/10/2010 9:21 AM  
**Subject:** Gold Mine?  
**Attachments:** ATT00001

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### Possible Submission

Email to: plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au  
Name: Ms Paddy Murdock  
Address: 9/60 Hansen Ct Isaacs ACT  
Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

signed ,  
Paddy Murdock  
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Ms Paddy Murdock  
(email:) [padge48@hotmail.com](mailto:padge48@hotmail.com)  
Australian mobile ph .no .0400453122

## Kane Winwood - Fwd: Proposed Dargues Reef mining project

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**From:** plan\_comment  
**To:** Kane Winwood  
**Date:** 25/10/2010 3:30 PM  
**Subject:** Fwd: Proposed Dargues Reef mining project

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>>> "julie murphy" <julieamurphy@optusnet.com.au> 25/10/2010 14:38 >>>

**Julie Murphy**  
**27 Kingsley Road**  
**Reservoir VIC 3073**

**25 October 2010-10-25**

**Re:** Proposed Dargues Reef mining project, reference number 10 0054

Dear Sir/Madam,

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

I am a trained zoologist and know that an Environmental Impact study should be undertaken prior to the initiation of any major mining project. This is crucial, as the consequences of any environmental damage are unknown, and may take decades or longer to repair. I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This should include migratory species that are not present at the site all year round.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Thank you for considering these requests. We must take care of our environment in order for it to take care of us.

Sincerely,

Julie Murphy (M.S.Sc., B.Sc.(Hons.))  
 Children's writer and zoologist  
[Web site](#)

[Recent releases - Arachnids and Seabirds \(Gareth Stevens Publishing, USA, 2010\)](#)

ROBYN MURPHY  
54 Waddell St  
CANOWINDRA

2804  
Reference No

10 0054

Dargues Reef mine

I really disagree with this obsession  
of allowing mining of all sorts to  
proceed with limited studies into  
the effects on the environment.

If we have no ground water we  
have no or limited trees + animals.

No use going on about 'green-house'  
gases etc if we humans + animals  
we rely on can't live on this earth.  
Wake up \$\$ is not everything

Robyn Murphy

**From:** "Murray, Lora" <LORA.MURRAY@det.nsw.edu.au>  
**To:** "plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au" <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 1/11/2010 10:52 am  
**Subject:** Objection - DARGUE MINE Ref 10 0054

Reference number 10 0054

Lora Murray

16 Eagles Nest Close

Belmont North 2280

I STRONGLY object to the mine proposal for a Dargues Reef Goldmine at Majors Creek.

These are the reasons why I object to the mine proposal:

1. The Dargues Reef Mine proposes to remove 66.2 megalitres of water per year from the local water table, leading to a drop in ground water levels of between 1.5 and 10.5 metres. No studies have been done for the Environmental Assessment on how taking this amount of water will affect the land beyond the actual mine site. The result of taking this amount of water from an ecosystem will mean that all the plants and animals in that ecosystem will eventually die.
2. The Environmental Assessment made no mention of the endangered, critically endangered and threatened species in the gorge below the mine, ranging from the Powerful Owl to the critically endangered *Eucalyptus kartzoffina*.
3. The mine proposal also includes a 25 metre high tailings dam to just four kilometres above us and the gorge, covering nine hectares. It will contain a toxic sludge that, if the walls break, will sweep everything before it - every plant and creature in the valley. 'World's best practice' is to have a secondary wall in case the first fails. This is not the case at the proposed Dargues Reef mine. I urge you to reconsider the Dargues Reef mine. The endangered flora and fauna in this area will be forced out of existence. Once this fragile ecosystem has been destroyed, it will be gone forever. Stop being so short sighted and greedy! Think of future generations! We owe it to them to leave this place in a better condition than we have found it.

Yours sincerely,

Lora Murray.

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Sue Murray

PO Box 199

Braidwood NSW 2622

Reference No 10 0054

I am a long-term resident of the Braidwood District which includes Major's Creek.

I object to the proposed Dargue's Reef mining project at Major's Creek on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square km radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kms downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kms below the mine site, and that sufficient time be allowed for this to include migratory species and others which are not easily identifiable.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and indigenous sites 2-6 kms downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Finally I request that consideration be given to requiring the building of a secondary wall for the tailings dam in case the first wall fails.

Thank you for considering this submission.

Sincerely

Sue Murray

1 November 2010

**George Mobayed - STOP THIS NONSENSE!!! Ref number 10 0054**

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**From:** Susan Murray <SusanM@selectop.com.au>  
**To:** "plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au" <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 29/10/2010 9:44 AM  
**Subject:** STOP THIS NONSENSE!!! Ref number 10 0054

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Name: Susan Murray  
Address: PO Box 685, Cherrybrook

**Reference number 10 0054**

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Susan Murray  
PO Box 685  
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*Susan Murray*

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**George Mobayed - Dargues Reef**

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**Subject:** Dargues Reef

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Name: Suzanne Murray  
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Mudgeeraba, 4213  
Reference number 10 0054

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**George Mobayed - Fw: a plea from Jackie French**

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**From:** "Sylvia Murray" <sylmar@westnet.com.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 25/10/2010 6:00 PM  
**Subject:** Fw: a plea from Jackie French

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----- Original Message -----

**From:** [Sylvia Murray](#)  
**To:** [comment@planning.nsw.au](mailto:comment@planning.nsw.au)  
**Sent:** Monday, October 25, 2010 2:17 PM  
**Subject:** Fw: a plea from Jackie French

The Director of Planning, NSW Government    Ref. 10 0054

I am forwarding you an email which I received today and which concerned me greatly. I am hoping that you will take action to cancel the decision which has been made to endanger native animals and trees through ill-considered mining. Perhaps you can justify the decision which has been made or perhaps you were unaware of its implications. Perhaps we are beyond hope in Australia!

I look forward to hearing from you before the decision becomes irrevocable to allow the Dargues Reef goldmine to go ahead.

Sincerely, Sylvia Murray, 15 Kingsmill St Claremont WA 6010 (PO box 666, Claremont, 601)

----- Original Message -----

**From:** [Sally Wylie](#)  
**To:** [Undisclosed-Recipient:](#)  
**Sent:** Monday, October 25, 2010 1:27 PM  
**Subject:** Fw: a plea from Jackie French

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Hi Guys,

I know this is in another state, but Jackie French needs as many submissions as possible by the end of this week. Have a read of what's proposed for her area. If you've got 5 secs, copy and email the example submission she has included at the end. And pass on to whoever you think may care to help too.

Cheers, Sally

I had mine done in 5 mins

**Subject:** a plea from Jackie French

A Desperate Message from Jackie French

Please help us, the wombats, and the valley. There is only one week left to try to save them.

Two weeks ago we were finally given copies of the Environmental Assessment into the proposed Dargues Reef Goldmine at Majors Creek, four kilometres directly upstream from our property and even closer to the Nature Reserve and National Park partially surrounding us. The details revealed in it had not previously been made public.

The Dargues Reef Mine proposes to remove 66.2 megalitres of water per year from the local water table, leading to a drop in ground water levels of between 1.5 and 10.5 metres. This is an extraordinary and devastating amount.

Plants take their moisture from groundwater. Without it, they die.

Animals drink from springs, fed by groundwater. Without it, they die.

The result of taking this amount of water from an ecosystem will mean that it, too, will die. No studies have been done for the Environmental Assessment on how taking this amount of water will affect the land beyond the actual mine site. There is no mention of the endangered, critically endangered and threatened species in the gorge below the mine, ranging from the Powerful Owl to the critically endangered eucalyptus *Kartzoffina*.

The mine proposal also includes a 25 metre high tailings dam to just four kilometres above us and the gorge, covering nine hectares. It will contain a toxic sludge that, if the walls break, will sweep everything before it, from our house to every plant and creature in the valley. 'World's best practice' is to have a secondary wall in case the first fails. This is not the case at the proposed Dargues Reef mine

. If this mine goes ahead the animals and plants of the valley may die. The wombat of *Diary of a Wombat* may die. As for myself- if the bush where I have lived and loved and walked for over 30 years dies around me, then what would be left would not be the Jackie French who had walked and studied and loved the bush community for more than 30 years.

If you have loved *Diary of a Wombat*; if you want to save the life and environment of the real wombat on whom the story is based; if my writing has moved you in any way and if you feel the need to preserve endangered species, or an area of such rich and varied habitat please email your opposition to the mine by close of business this Friday.

I have walked this land for over 30 years. I have drawn the inspiration for my work from the bush around me. To say I love it is inadequate. I am part of it; without it, the person I am will cease to be. But I have choices. I can leave if the water turns toxic, if the sludge descends. I can buy water and have it tanked in. The wombats, the wallabies, the Powerful Owls- already isolated by surrounding human farms and settlement and starting to be affected by the environmental impacts of climate change - have no such choice. I owe this place too much not to at least try to defend it and its inhabitants now.

. If you love wombats, the bush, or justice; if you believe that animals have a right to survival despite the benefits to humans from mining gold; if you think that long term investment in the bush, growing peaches or writing books is more valuable than a short term mining gain, spend just five minutes today emailing your objection to the Dargues Reef Mine.

The Dargues Reef Environmental Assessment can be read at [www.planning.nsw.gov.au](http://www.planning.nsw.gov.au) by following the prompts. If you would like further details about the critically endangered species and grasslands, or the removal of the groundwater, please contact me at [jfrench@draget.com.au](mailto:jfrench@draget.com.au)

Please- can you help? Or do you know anyone else who can help?

*Any submission will help save the valley, and it's critically endangered species.*

If you have a spare five minutes, please send your own submission. Please ask your friends to put in submissions too, by the end of this week.

Submissions should include:

Your name and address

The reference number 10 0054

. Whether you support or object to the mine proposal

. The reasons why you support or object to the mine proposal

Submissions must reach the Department of Planning by close of business November 1, 2010

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**George Mobayed - Dargues Reef mine**

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**From:** "Danielle" <dmurrihy@optusnet.com.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 5:40 PM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef mine

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Name: Danielle Murrihy  
Address: 14 Sabre crt Narre Warren Vic 3805  
Reference number 10 0054

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Danielle Murrihy  
03 8790 3316

## Kane Winwood - Fwd: Submission

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**From:** plan\_comment  
**To:** Kane Winwood  
**Date:** 25/10/2010 3:22 PM  
**Subject:** Fwd: Submission

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>>> "Sodapop ." <sodapopz@hotmail.com> 25/10/2010 13:44 >>>

Dear Sir/Madam

I have been contacted by several of my supporters regarding the proposed Dargues Reef mining project.

I object to this project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

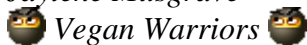
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I look forward to hearing back from you.

*For the animals*

Jaylene Musgrave



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*Eden Handmade Chocolate*

*Director - Farm Animal Rescue Australia*

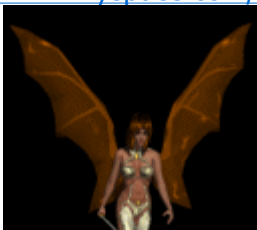
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My situation is a solemn one. Life is offered to me on condition of eating beefsteaks. But death is better than cannibalism. My will contains directions for my funeral, which will be followed not by mourning coaches, but by oxen, sheep, flocks of poultry, and a small traveling aquarium of live fish, all wearing white scarfs in honor of the man who perished rather than eat his

fellow creatures. ~George Bernard Shaw

Your name and address

The reference number 10 0054

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## George Mobayed - Dargues Reef Mine

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**From:** Frances Myers <algemyone@gmail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 25/10/2010 11:58 AM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef Mine

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Fran Myers  
 149 Killarney Road  
 Braidwood 2622

Reference number 10 0054

What amateurs do you employ to do Environmental Assessments? Or do you rely on an EA done by the applicants for a development?

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## George Mobayed - Objection to the Dargues Reef Mining Project

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**From:** Skye Myers <Myers.Skye@BSSC.EDU.AU>  
**To:** "plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au" <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 28/10/2010 1:39 PM  
**Subject:** Objection to the Dargues Reef Mining Project

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Skye Myers  
 226 Edwards Road  
 Maiden Gully

Reference number 10 0054

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project and wish to formally register this objection.

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**Date:** 25/10/2010 8:46 am  
**Subject:** Re:Dargues Reef mining project

Dargues Reef mining project  
Reference number 10 0054

I strongly object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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Sincerely,  
Mrs Audrey Nay

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Arrawarra Headland  
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## George Mobayed - Fwd: Reference number 100054 - I strongly object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project

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**From:** Julie Eaton <julie.michael@optusnet.com.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 1/11/2010 10:25 PM  
**Subject:** Fwd: Reference number 100054 - I strongly object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project

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27 October 2010

### Reference number 10 0054

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With an estimated 66.2 megalitres of water per year being removed from the local water table, leading to a drop in ground water levels of between 1.5 and 10.5 metres - it's is an extraordinary and devastating amount. Surely with the raft of exiting state environmental legislation which seeks to embed sustainability and environmental protection, this is a ludicrous idea.

If this decision goes ahead I will personally lobby everyone I know to vote for any party rather than labor. Remember that there is no economy without ecology. Economic development is not sustainable without also protecting the natural resource base which makes it possible. Short term gain versus long-term damage is not sustainable on economic, environmental or social grounds. How many millions or billions will need to be spent in the future to undo these irrational acts?

Please respond to each of these points individually. I will not accept a form letter as response.

Yours sincerely

Michael Neville

23 Woodview Road

Springfield 2250

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**George Mobayed - Dargues Reef mining project**

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**Date:** 28/10/2010 11:45 AM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef mining project

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Name: Jenny Newman  
 Address: **4/38 Clark Avenue, Glandore 5037**  
**Reference number 10 0054**

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

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**Date:** 28/10/2010 1:40 pm

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Kathryn Newton

Isabella Plains, ACT

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**From:** Leigh Newton <lnewton@adam.com.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 28/10/2010 9:15 am  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef mining project

From Leigh Newton

31 Somerset Road

Aldgate, SA 5154

Reference number 10 0054

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In these times of severe water shortage I am concerned the usage of the planned amounts of ground water is potentially devastating on the environment.

Sincerely

(Mr) Leigh Newton



**George Mobayed - Dargues Reef**

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**From:** Ronald Nicholls <ronald.nicholls@unisa.edu.au>  
**To:** "plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au" <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 28/10/2010 5:26 PM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef

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Name: Ron Nicholls  
Address: 11 wattle Tree Road  
Bridgewater  
South Australia  
5155

**Reference number 10 0054**

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Yours sincerely

Ron Nicholls  
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## George Mobayed - Great Concern

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**From:** Noreen Nicholson <noreen.nicholson@gmail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 29/10/2010 8:35 AM  
**Subject:** Great Concern

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From: Noreen Nicholson  
Reference number 10 0054

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Thank you  
Noreen Nicholson  
113 thornhill Road, Highton Victoria 3216

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'Each of us must be the change agent we want to see in the world' (Ghandi)

**George Mobayed - Proposed Dagues Reef Mine**

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**From:** Robyn NICHOLSON <rnich29@eq.edu.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 12:12 AM  
**Subject:** Proposed Dagues Reef Mine

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Name: Robyn Nicholson  
Address: Inala Avenue, Durack  
Reference number: 10 0054

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Robyn Nicholson  
Head of Curriculum  
Durack State School

**George Mobayed - Dargues Reef mining project - Reference number 10 0054**

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**From:** D Nielsen <dakani@hotmail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 7:23 PM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef mining project - Reference number 10 0054

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Name: Dr Dana Nielsen  
Address: 21 Goble st, Hughes ACT 2605

Reference number **10 0054**

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Regards,  
Dana Nielsen

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"The earth which sustains humanity must not be injured; it must not be damaged"  
- Hildegard von Bingen

**George Mobayed - reference number 10 0054**

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**From:** "Lydia " <lydia@lydianielsen.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 25/10/2010 10:12 PM  
**Subject:** reference number 10 0054

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Dear Sirs,

On behalf of representation made by friends who have a direct understanding of the Dargues Mine Project I wish to add my concerns as I believe that the issues they have raised are reasonable and worthy of attention and intelligent government response. I have seen the ugly scars left by mining in Tasmania and I do not agree that it is proper to damage the environment.

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Please add my objection to this mine in consideration of the ecology that will be affected.

My Name is Lydia Nielsen  
PO Box 321 Brunswick Heads NSW

**George Mobayed - proposed Dargues Reef mining project**

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**From:** "Kathy Nieminen" <nieminenk@westnet.com.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 28/10/2010 1:07 PM  
**Subject:** proposed Dargues Reef mining project

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Name: Katherine Nieminen  
Address: 1064 Aherns Road, Conondale, Qld 4552  
Reference number 10 0054

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Submissions must reach the Department of Planning by close of business November 1, 2010.

Yours faithfully

Katherine Nieminen

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**George Mobayed - Submission**

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**From:** niu yuanyuan <yuanparis@gmail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 25/10/2010 9:21 PM  
**Subject:** Submission

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Name: Yuanyuan NIU  
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Reference number 10 0054

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Yuanyuan NIU

## George Mobayed - Dargues Reed Objection

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**From:** Eloise Norton <eloisenorton@hotmail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 10:16 AM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reed Objection

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Name: Eloise Norton

Address: 107 Lucinda Avenue, Wahroonga, 2076, Sydney, NSW

Reference number: 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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**George Mobayed - REference: 10 0054 The Dargues Reef Mining Environmental Assessment**

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**From:** Teresa Nugent <Teresa@mindpath.com.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 28/10/2010 9:54 PM  
**Subject:** REference: 10 0054 The Dargues Reef Mining Environmental Assessment

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To Whom it May Concern

I would like to lodge an objection to the proposal for the Dargues Reef Mining proposal on the grounds that a full environmental report has not been supplied.

Gold mining is an extremely hazardous activity for the environment and the vast quantities of ground water that are proposed to be used will have long term damaging effects on the environment and the fruit growing industry in the Araluan/Majors Creek area.

No consideration appears to have been given to the endangered species in the area such as the Powerful Owl and the Eucalyptus Kartzoffina.

Having enjoyed the environment in this area for over 20 years I have grave fears for the future of this area and the National park and nature reserve near this area.

I look forward to hearing your response.

Regards

Teresa Nugent

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**From:** Deb Nurton <nurton@esc.net.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 24/10/2010 5:48 pm  
**Subject:** wombats are worth more than gold!

Name: Deb Nurton  
Address: 51 HARDING ST GLENGOWRIE 5044  
Reference number 10 0054

I am amazed that this development is even being considered given the amount of concern shown by the people of Australia and by the global community for the environment and for endangered species.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

I urge you to listen to the voices of the peoples of Australia who speak for the beautiful lands of Australia and the magnificent species with which we have been blessed.

DO NOT MAKE THIS YOUR LEGACY!

Yours sincerely  
Deb Nurton

**George Mobayed - Proposed Dargues Reef Mining Project**

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**From:** "Kate O'Leary" <tkoleary@westnet.com.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 1:01 AM  
**Subject:** Proposed Dargues Reef Mining Project

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Reference number 10 0054

To Whom It May Concern,

I live on the other side of the country in Margaret River WA, where we are currently fighting to prevent the establishment of a coal mine in this pristine tourist mecca, one of the top 10 biodiversity hotspots in the world. It amazes me how thoughtlessly governments allow mining companies to destroy fragile eco systems in search of profits, apparently reassured that disaster is impossible. Have we learned nothing from recent catastrophes overseas?

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Yours sincerely  
Kate O'Leary  
PO Box 2015  
Margaret River  
WA 6285

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**George Mobayed - Reference number 10 0054**

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**From:** "Janine O'Brien" <janine.obrien@bigpond.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 2:11 PM  
**Subject:** Reference number 10 0054

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Name: Janine O'Brien

Address: 132 Currey Road, Wongawallan Qld 4210

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Regards, Janine O'Brien

## George Mobayed - Save the wombats and the bush

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**From:** "Small Pleasures" <smpleas@ozemail.com.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 8:06 PM  
**Subject:** Save the wombats and the bush

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From:  
Nerida O'Callaghan  
2 Kings Place  
Carlingford NSW 2118

Reference number 10 0054

To whom it may concern.

Please do not allow Dargues Reef Goldmine at Majors Creek to remove 66.2 megalitres of water per year from the local water table, leading to a drop in ground water levels of between 1.5 and 10.5 metres. This is an extraordinary and devastating amount. It is dangerously close to the Nature Reserve and National Park in the region. Plants take their moisture from groundwater. Without it, they die. Animals drink from springs, fed by groundwater. Without it, they die.

The world is up in arms about the loss of habitats (not forgetting deliberate killing) of animals in Borneo, Brazil, Indonesia and Africa leading to the endangerment of many species. The world will soon know that we, in Australia, care just as little for our environment and our native flora and fauna making them sacrificial lambs to large and wealthy corporations.

Please ensure that this development is not allowed to show that compassion is above economy in the list of human qualities.

Yours faithfully

Nerida O'Callaghan

## George Mobayed - Proposed Dargues Reef Mine Will Destroy Water Table That the NativeAnimals Drink From and more

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**From:** Elizabeth O'Donoghue <lizjod@hotmail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 25/10/2010 11:43 AM  
**Subject:** Proposed Dargues Reef Mine Will Destroy Water Table That the NativeAnimals Drink From and more

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From: Elizabeth O'Donoghue  
P O Box 402  
Mallacoota  
VIC 3892  
Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Sincerely,  
Elizabeth O'Donoghue

**George Mobayed - Reference number 10 0054**

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**From:** "Fiona O'Donoghue" <fodonoghue@motorone.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 28/10/2010 11:23 AM  
**Subject:** Reference number 10 0054

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Fiona O'Donoghue  
10 Cope Avenue  
TRANMERE SA 5073

**Reference number 10 0054**

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Yours Sincerely,  
Fiona O'Donoghue  
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## **Kane Winwood - A plea from Jackie French - Proposed Dargues Reef Mine Will Destroy Water Table That the Native Animals Drink and more**

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**From:** Elizabeth O'Donoghue <lizjod@hotmail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 24/10/2010 6:57 PM  
**Subject:** A plea from Jackie French - Proposed Dargues Reef Mine Will Destroy Water Table That the Native Animals Drink and more

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Name: Liza O'Donoghue  
Address: P O Box 402  
Mallacoota  
Vic. 3892  
Reference number 10 0054

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Sincerely,

Liza O'Donoghue



**George Mobayed - Dargues Reef mine proposal (ref: 10 0054).**

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**From:** "Jo O'Dowd" <jo.odowd@ruralpress.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 27/10/2010 9:45 AM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef mine proposal (ref: 10 0054).

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name: Jo O'Dowd

address:

PO Box 2265

Bomaderry NSW 2541

reference number: 10 0054

I object to the Dargues Reef mine proposal (ref: 10 0054).

I have strong reason to believe that the consequences of this proposal

going ahead will have a negative impact on the local flora and fauna, as well as residents.

I believe there are more appropriate areas for this proposal to be situated and strongly urge the planning department to consider the adverse environmental impacts of this venture.

Jo O'Dowd

Journalist

Senior Lifestyle

South Coast Register

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**George Mobayed - Dargues Reef Goldmine at Majors Creek**

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**From:** Anthony Ogilvie <jandaogilvie@gmail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 28/10/2010 3:35 PM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef Goldmine at Majors Creek

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Name: Anthony Ogilvie  
Address: 1B Larmer Place, Narraweena, NSW, 2099  
Reference number 10 0054

I request that the following list of concerns are addressed as part of the planning approval process for this proposed mine site.

On the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine. I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Anthony Ogilvie  
1b Larmer Place, Narraweena, NSW 2099

**George Mobayed**

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**From:** briony o'loughlin <briony5ol@hotmail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 28/10/2010 6:03 PM

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To whom it may concern,

I strongly object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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Sincerely,

Briony O'Loughlin

To: NSW Department of Planning

Submission concerning  
Proposed Dargues Reef goldmine at Major's Creek

reference number 10 0054

from Jane Olsen, 6 Rigel Place, Giralang, ACT 2617  
28<sup>th</sup> October, 2010

I am very concerned about the proposed Dargues Reef development. The proposed removal of 66.2 megalitres of water per year from the local water table is very significant. Since Canberra uses between around 40,000 to 60,000 megalitres per year, this amount seems proportionately huge for the scale of Major's creek. This will lead to a drop in ground water levels of between 1.5 and 10.5 metres. I am very worried about the effect this will have on the local flora and fauna. I have in the past walked up this lovely little creek and enjoyed its unspoilt beauty.

The resulting toxic waste is also of grave concern as is the proximity to the Nature reserve and National Park.

I object strongly to this development.

Jane Olsen

**From:** pam O'Mahony <alittlesplash@gmail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 29/10/2010 8:49 am  
**Subject:** Reference number 10 0054

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

## George Mobayed - Online Submission from Jannine Ord (object)

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**From:** Jannine Ord <jord\_55@optusnet.com.au>  
**To:** George Mobayed <George.Mobayed@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 1/11/2010 12:14 PM  
**Subject:** Online Submission from Jannine Ord (object)  
**CC:** <assessments@planning.nsw.gov.au>

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Ref: 100054

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Warming of the climate system is unequivocal. Lack of rainfall is predicted in this area right across Australia and therefore this Project would dramatically worsen the loss of water situation.

Humans are very likely to be causing most of the warming that has been experienced since 1950 and It is very likely that changes in the global climate system will continue well into the future, and that they will be larger than those seen in the recent past.

These changes have the potential to have a major impact on human and natural systems throughout the world including Australia.

The Australian Greenhouse Office, through the Australian Climate Change Science Programme, engaged CSIRO and the Bureau of Meteorology are developing climate change projections for Australia and the area in question is.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

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Name: Jannine Ord

Address:  
44 Rosamond St  
HORNSBY NSW 2077

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Submission for Job: #3871 Dargues Reef Gold Project (PA 10\_0054)  
[https://majorprojects.onhiive.com/index.pl?action=view\\_job&id=3871](https://majorprojects.onhiive.com/index.pl?action=view_job&id=3871)

Site: #2222 Dargues Reef Mine  
[https://majorprojects.onhiive.com/index.pl?action=view\\_site&id=2222](https://majorprojects.onhiive.com/index.pl?action=view_site&id=2222)

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**George Mobayed**

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**George Mobayed - reference number 10 0054**

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**From:** Vivienne Ortega <ortega707@aanet.com.au>  
**To:** <"plan\_ comment"@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 25/10/2010 9:17 AM  
**Subject:** reference number 10 0054

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To whom it concerns:

I **strongly object** to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

Water cannot ethically and callously be taken from wildlife. This is abandoning the needs of indigenous species who have rights to survive in their habitat!

I request **more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated**, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of **endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna** in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

The Dargues Reef Mine proposes to remove **66.2 megalitres of water per year from the local water table**, leading to a drop in ground water levels of between 1.5 and 10.5 metres. This is an extraordinary and devastating amount.

Plants take their moisture from groundwater. Without it, they die.  
 Animals drink from springs, fed by groundwater. Without it, they die.  
 Animals, like humans, need water to survive.

No studies have been done for the Environmental Assessment on how taking this amount of water will affect the land beyond the actual mine site. There is no mention of the **endangered, critically endangered and threatened species in the gorge below the mine**, ranging from the Powerful Owl to the critically endangered eucalyptus *Kartsoffina*.

The wombats, the wallabies, the Powerful Owls- already isolated by surrounding human farms and settlement and starting to be affected by the environmental impacts of climate change.

Already Australia has the dishonour of the highest rate of mammal extinctions in the last 220 years. We can't just keep over-riding their interests for economic benefits.

Thank you  
 Vivienne Ortega  
 Vice President  
 Australian Wildlife Protection Council

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“The fate of animals is of greater  
importance

to me than the fear of appearing ridiculous;  
it

is indissolubly connected to the fate of  
men.”

Emile Zola

**George Mobayed - Re: Reference number 10 0054**

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**From:** Amber Osborn <amberjosborn@googlemail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 1/11/2010 2:35 PM  
**Subject:** Re: Reference number 10 0054

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Name: Amber Osborn  
Address: 60 Victoria Street, Fitzroy, VIC3065

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Regards,

Amber Osborn

**George Mobayed - Objection ot Dargues Reef Mining Project Ref 10 0054**

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**From:** Jenni and Bo <jenibo@gmail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 25/10/2010 7:20 AM  
**Subject:** Objection ot Dargues Reef Mining Project Ref 10 0054

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Reference number 10 0054

Dear Sir/Madam,

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Yours Faithfully,

Jennifer Osborne, Bo, Tess and Sophie Johnson  
Unit 2, 54 Ewart St  
Burleigh Heads, Qld

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**Kane Winwood - Fwd: Reference number 10 0054**

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**From:** plan\_comment  
**To:** Kane Winwood  
**Date:** 25/10/2010 3:31 PM  
**Subject:** Fwd: Reference number 10 0054

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>>> "Rod & Alison O'Sullivan" <raosull@tpg.com.au> 25/10/2010 14:36 >>>

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Regards,

Alison O'Sullivan

2051 Mt Cotton Road

Cornubia 4130

## George Mobayed - Fw: Dargues Reef Mining Project

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**From:** <oweis@bigpond.com>  
**To:** <information@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 10:45 AM  
**Subject:** Fw: Dargues Reef Mining Project

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**From:** [oweis@bigpond.com](mailto:oweis@bigpond.com)  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 26, 2010 9:59 AM  
**To:** [comment@planning.nsw.gov.au](mailto:comment@planning.nsw.gov.au)  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef Mining Project

Name: Mrs A Oweis  
Address: 11 Wagner Place, Seven Hills 2147  
Reference number 10 0054

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Please inform me ASAP that you have received this email and that future plans will be forwarded on to me

Regards

Allie Oweis

**George Mobayed - Objection to Dargues Reef mining**

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**From:** "Page, Dianne" <Dianne.Page@ed.act.edu.au>  
**To:** "plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au" <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 8:45 AM  
**Subject:** Objection to Dargues Reef mining

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Name: Dianne Page  
Address: 19 Garrard St.  
Spence, ACT 2615  
Reference number 10 0054

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'World's best practice' is to have a secondary dam wall installed in case the first fails.

This is not the case at the proposed Dargues Reef mine. I object to this money saving proposal

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**From:** "Deb Palacios" <debstirau@optusnet.com.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 25/10/2010 8:31 PM  
**Subject:** Reference number 10 0054

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*Name: Deborah Palacios  
Address: 11 Orleans St, Spearwood WA 6163  
Reference number 10 0054*

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Regards,  
Deb

**George Mobayed - Objection to Dargues Reef Mining project**

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**From:** Brooke Palframan <ekoorbmca13@gmail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 28/10/2010 9:39 AM  
**Subject:** Objection to Dargues Reef Mining project

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Regards,

Brooke Palframan

28 Shiralee Court

Delaneys Creek Qld 4514

Ph: 0400 012 786

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A little light in a dark room is still a great illumination.

-- Ernest Holmes



**George Mobayed - Reference number 10 0054**

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**From:** Dan Palmer <dan@veryediblegardens.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 27/10/2010 1:44 PM  
**Subject:** Reference number 10 0054

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Name: Dan Palmer  
Address: Yarraville Vic 3013

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Regards,  
Dan Palmer

**George Mobayed - Fwd: Dargues Reef mining project**

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**From:** Valia Palmer <valia@inocontract.com.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 25/10/2010 12:50 PM  
**Subject:** Fwd: Dargues Reef mining project

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**From:** Valia Palmer <[valia@inocontract.com.au](mailto:valia@inocontract.com.au)>  
**Date:** 25 October 2010 10:51:11 AM AEDT  
**To:** [comment@planning.nsw.gov.au](mailto:comment@planning.nsw.gov.au)  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef mining project

Name: Valia Palmer  
Address: 400 Joe Rocks Road Bungendore  
Reference number 10 0054

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## George Mobayed - The Dargues Reef Gold mine

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**From:** Alison Parker <alisonparker@y7mail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 28/10/2010 10:09 AM  
**Subject:** The Dargues Reef Gold mine

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My name is Alison Parker

1 Natalie Close Hornsby Heights.

I strongly object to the proposed Dargues Reef Gold mine at Majors Creek.

This plan has long lasting and detrimental effects for a short term result.

Surely as humans can think of some other way of earning a few \$ \$ \$ without destroying the land and the environment in this way.

Thank you Alison

**Kane Winwood - Fwd: Dargues Reef mining project Reference no 10 0054**

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**From:** plan\_comment  
**To:** Kane Winwood  
**Date:** 25/10/2010 3:25 PM  
**Subject:** Fwd: Dargues Reef mining project Reference no 10 0054

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>>> Jill Parker <jill\_parker24@hotmail.com> 25/10/2010 15:24 >>>

Dargues Reef mining project

Reference number 10 0054

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Thank you Jill Parker

**George Mobayed - I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project**

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**From:** Amber Paton <amberpaton@gmail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 28/10/2010 7:40 PM  
**Subject:** I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project

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Name:Amber Paton  
Address:2 Treelands Cl, Galston, NSW, 2159  
**Reference number 10 0054**

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Amber Paton

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November 1, 2010.  
Fax: 9228 6466; or email: [plan\\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au](mailto:plan_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au)**

**From:** "Paul Wilkins" <teksol@primus.com.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 28/10/2010 1:00 pm

Name: Paul Wilkins  
Address: 76 JRH Drive Yackandandah  
Reference number 10 0054

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**George Mobayed**

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**From:** David Paul <waterdogx@cox.net>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 8:38 AM

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- Name: David Paul  
Address: 3189 Calle Osuna, Oceanside CA 92056, USA  
Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.



**George Mobayed - Reference number 10 0054**

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**From:** "Paul, Svetlana" <SPaul@sacs.nsw.edu.au>  
**To:** "plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au" <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 28/10/2010 8:37 AM  
**Subject:** Reference number 10 0054

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Email to: [plan\\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au](mailto:plan_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au)  
 Reference number 10 0054

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

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**From:** "Robert Pauling" <rpauling@bigpond.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 29/10/2010 4:22 pm  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef Mine - Ref. no. 10 0054

Dear Planning Dept.

Ref. No. 10 0054

I write to object to this proposal on the grounds that no complete assessment has been made of the environmental impacts of the proposal. In NSW there is too much damage already occurring to the environment and groundwater from the effects of mining. This proposal needs an assessment of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine and on the fragile ecosystems below the mine.

Can you please give more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores up to 6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year which will allow for variation in rainfall.

A detailed assessment is needed of heritage and Indigenous sites up to 6 kilometres downstream from the mine site and the tailings dam.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site which are at further risk due to this proposal. This also needs 12 months for completion, as some fauna are migratory and others such as the endangered Powerful Owl can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

Yours sincerely,

Robert Pauling  
Address: PO Box 292, Neutral Bay Junction, NSW 2089

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Fax: 9228 6466; or email: plan\_

**George Mobayed - Dargues Reef mining project - objection**

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**From:** Marg Peachey <margpeachey@gmail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 25/10/2010 12:57 PM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef mining project - objection

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Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

Far too many hasty decisions are being made to the detriment of the environment purely for short-term gain. Our children's children and their children need a planet with sustainable ecosystems in order to survive. With damaged ecosystems there is limited biodiversity.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

sincerely,

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**Marg Peachey**

22 Severne Crescent  
Kambah ACT 2902

0450 961 530  
02 - 6231 3210

Gary Pearce  
132 Princes Highway  
Brogo NSW 2550

Department of Planning  
Fax: 9228 6466  
To whom it may concern

REFERENCE No.: 10 0054

I **object** to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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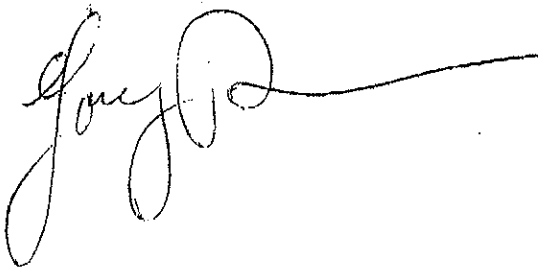
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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

I strongly urge you to consider the above points and stop this proposal.

Regards,

Gary Pearce

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Gary Pearce', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

## George Mobayed - Dargues Reef mining project

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**From:** "Margaret Pearce" <mpearceau@gmail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 25/10/2010 4:39 PM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef mining project

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Name: Margaret Pearce,  
Address: P.O. Box 253,  
Belgrave, 3160  
Victoria  
Reference Number 10 0054

Dear Sirs,

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Yours faithfully,

Margaret Pearce

**George Mobayed - FW: [Ozark] A Desperate Message from Margaret Peberdy**

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**From:** Margaret Peberdy <margaretpeberdy@hotmail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 27/10/2010 9:38 PM  
**Subject:** FW: [Ozark] A Desperate Message from Margaret Peberdy  
**Attachments:** ATT00133.txt

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Name: Margaret Peberdy  
Address: 50 Colbran Ave  
Kenthurst NSW 2156  
Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

**George Mobayed - Dargues Reef mining project - Reference number 10 0054**

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**From:** marie pedroz <mariapedroz@hotmail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 3:39 PM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef mining project - Reference number 10 0054

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Name: Marie Pedroz  
Address: 26 Hazford Street, Healesville, VIC

To whom it may concern,

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Sincerely,

Marie Pedroz.

*Marie Pedroz*

## George Mobayed - Dargues Reef Mining Project

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**From:** P Mark <sweetlimegardens@gmail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 1/11/2010 12:03 PM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef Mining Project

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Submission from:

Michelle Perry  
 Unit 2/30 Cremorne Rd Cremorne Point 2090

RE: Reference number 10 0054

I do not support the Dargues Reef mining project.

Please reconsider this proposal as one of many proposal that will directly and indirectly threaten the food and water and habitats of ourselves and animals/plants in the ecosystem that we are 'all' part of. We (and you) are all part of the same ecosystem. We all need to eat and drink.

Mining is a short term opinion with major environmental, social and economic miscalculations - on behalf of a limited short sighted and income hungry few. It takes away valuable interrelationships that eventually effect where our and 'your' source of food and water come from. If planning permission authorities keep on saying 'yes' we will all run out of what we all need. Do not think your decision is made in isolation from other projects - eventually the map of 'yes, mine' will meet up and leave you with no space for food and drink.

Also seriously ask 'your self' whether you would like this mine or any other development beside you or near you or other people that you care about. If a disused mine can start up in Dargues Reef why not where you live or why would not a mining permit and associated \$\$\$ be accepted. The NSW state government is anting people to decentralise but how can they confidently get out of cities when there is potential for a mine to take one's life saving and dreams. Get personal and hence professional.

Please take into account environmental, social and economic considerations that says that communities consulted OBJECT against this, and other mines. **It is unacceptable that mining goes ahead especially against the wishes of people most directly affected.** I live no where near the site, I will not benefit from the mine however, I will benefit by the water and food ecosystems left in place for years to come.

In planning language please note the following:-

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

I also request that world best practice re mining safeguards are put in place to totally eliminate any risk of accidents - ie. if it is not totally safe from biochemical or physical leaks than it should not proceed.



Thank you for reading this rightful opportunity to comment.

Kind regards,  
Michelle Perry

**George Mobayed - Dargues Reef mining project**

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**From:** "Lindsay Peters" <l.peters@pks.com.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 29/10/2010 4:03 PM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef mining project

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**Department of Planning****Reference number 10 0054**

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Lindsay Peters

46 Epping Ave, Eastwood,

NSW 2122

Mob: 0418 643 064

## George Mobayed - Dargues Reef mining project Ref: 10 0054

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**From:** "Kay Phelan" <bev\_phe@optusnet.com.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 28/10/2010 3:57 PM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef mining project Ref: 10 0054

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TO: Department of Planning  
28 October 2010  
Fax: 9228 6466; or email: [plan\\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au](mailto:plan_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au)  
Name: B K Phelan  
Address: 12 Milner Avenue, HORNSBY, NSW, 2077  
Reference number 10 0054

I OBJECT to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

I REQUEST more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

I ALSO REQUEST that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I ALSO REQUEST that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

I would like to receive a reply please.

Name: B K Phelan  
Address: 12 Milner Avenue, HORNSBY, NSW, 2077

**George Mobayed - Submission re: 10 0054**

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**From:** Nikki Phelps <harmony.mum@gmail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 10:39 PM  
**Subject:** Submission re: 10 0054

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Name: Nicole Phelps  
Address: Unala, 434 Bald Rock Rd, Sandy Flat, via Tenterfield NSW 2372  
Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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**George Mobayed - reference number 10 0054 to Department of Planning NSW - Mineproposal**

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**From:** bev phelts <darwin.hi@hotmail.com>  
**To:** <information@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 25/10/2010 11:58 AM  
**Subject:** reference number 10 0054 to Department of Planning NSW - Mineproposal

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

I am so VERY,VERY concerned for the wildlife in the area - if huge amounts of water is taken from the water table it will not be able to replenish and the springs, creek and soaks will dry up. WATER IS LIFE and preference should go to the environment and its wildlife

Dr Bev Phelts  
8/3 Annear Court  
Tipperary Waters NT 0820

**George Mobayed - ref: 10 0054**

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**From:** SUZE P <pippifish@hotmail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 27/10/2010 1:47 PM  
**Subject:** ref: 10 0054

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from:  
Susannah Philip  
305 Main Jindivick Rd,  
Jindivick, Vic 3818

Planning proposal: 10 0054

I OBJECT to the planed gold mining in Majors Creek

As and old resident of Major's Creek, and some one whom still has many friends and family there i object to any proposed mining that will possibly affect the water table. I have many friends that farm the area from beef cattle to peaches and rely on their spring fed wells to water their stock and crops, any affect on the water table i believe would be detrementle to their being able to maintain their livelyhood. The region has suffered greatly with drought over the past few years and they need what water they do have to not go into mining. It is increasingly harder to feed our children Australian Produce, and take them to visit areas where our native wildlife is in abundance. please note my personal objection to mining rights being granted for the majors creek area, my children are decendents of some of the first farmers in the area and would be greatly disappointment to not be able to take them to where their family history begin in Australia.

Your Sincerely  
Susannah Philip

**From:** dave phillips <dave@cafedave.net>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 9:52 am  
**Subject:** Proposed Dargues Reef mining project - Reference number 10 0054

Name: David Phillips  
Address: 92A Davies Rd, Padstow  
Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine. It's clear that since 2002, a lot of effort has gone into establishing the viability of the mineral resources, but I'm concerned that not enough effort has been spent on the environmental concerns.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory. It seems that while the mine site itself is mostly grassland that the immediate surrounds could potentially be home to a number of endangered species.

Sincerely,  
David Phillips

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<http://twitter.com/cafedave/>  
+61 417 219 928

**From:** Georgia Phillips <gphillip@bigpond.net.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 7:56 pm  
**Subject:** Reference 100054

> Reference number 10 0054

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> that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of  
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Georgia Phillips  
3 Railway Crescent  
Stanwell Park 2508



**George Mobayed - Reference Number 10 0054**

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**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 9:14 AM  
**Subject:** Reference Number 10 0054

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Sincerely,  
Kellie Phillips

92A Davies Road, Padstow NSW 2211

**George Mobayed - Proposed Dargues Reef Mining Project Ref No 10 0054**

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**From:** "studioGREEN architects" <kurt@studiogreen.com.au>  
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**Date:** 28/10/2010 10:23 AM  
**Subject:** Proposed Dargues Reef Mining Project Ref No 10 0054

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Kurt Piccardi  
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**George Mobayed - gold mine**

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**From:** "Haldon Pickering" <haldon@pnc.com.au>  
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**Date:** 26/10/2010 8:15 PM  
**Subject:** gold mine

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Name: H.Pickering  
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**From:** angela pink <aej.pink@gmail.com>  
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**Date:** 27/10/2010 9:30 am  
**Subject:** Reference number 10 0054

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Regards  
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Annette Piper  
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Reference number 10 0054

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Sincerely in protest

Annette Piper

**George Mobayed - Fwd: Reference number 10 0054**

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**From:** Vanessa Place <[wombatridge@gmail.com](mailto:wombatridge@gmail.com)>  
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**Date:** 26/10/2010 4:18 PM  
**Subject:** Fwd: Reference number 10 0054

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Date: Tue, Oct 26, 2010 at 4:16 PM  
Subject: RE: Reference number 10 0054  
To: [comment@planning.nsw.gov.au](mailto:comment@planning.nsw.gov.au)

Vanessa Place  
PO Box 355  
Moruya NSW 2537

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As this mine most likely encompasses the habitat of nationally listed species, has a referral been made under the *EPBC Act*?

## George Mobayed - Dargues Reef Mine Proposal

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**From:** "Jenny Podhajsky" <jenny.podhajsky@exemail.com.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 4:37 PM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef Mine Proposal

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Objection to Dargues Reef Mine Proposal. Ref No:10 0054

Jenny Podhajsky  
12 Yamble Drive  
Ocean Shores  
NSW 2483

I would like to register my strong disapproval for the Dargues Reef Mine proposal on the following grounds.

- No adequate assessment has been made of the impact of this project on the threatened flora and fauna in the gorge below the mine, bearing in mind that this assessment needs to be made through all the seasons of the year as some species are migratory.
- No detailed assessment has been made of indigenous and heritage sites up to 6 kilometres downstream from the proposed site of the mine and tailings dam.
- No assessment has been made of the impact of the loss of groundwater past the immediate environment. Both plants and animals rely on groundwater for their survival. Without groundwater the ecosystem will die.
- No secondary wall for the tailings dam. This dam will contain toxic sludge which will poison the environment if it fails.

I am extremely concerned that the environmental assessments in the Dargues Reef Mine are inadequate and superficial. I request that further, more detailed studies are undertaken to address the points raised above.

Yours faithfully

Jenny Podhajsky

**Kane Winwood - I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project**

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**From:** andrea potter <andreafaithpotter@gmail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 25/10/2010 11:09 AM  
**Subject:** I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project

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Reference number 10 0054

Andrea Potter  
2 Gardenia Grove  
Sandy Bay



## George Mobayed - Objection to Dargues Reef mine proposal

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**From:** "Tanya Potter" <balance@internode.on.net>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 28/10/2010 11:39 AM  
**Subject:** Objection to Dargues Reef mine proposal

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**Tanya Potter**  
**74 Jetty Street**  
**GRANGE SA 5022**

### Reference number 10 0054

Reasons for objecting mine proposal -

- A drop in ground water levels of between 1.5 and 10.5 metres. This is an extraordinary and devastating amount.
- Plants take their moisture from groundwater. Without it, they die.  
 Animals drink from springs, fed by groundwater. Without it, they die.  
 The result of taking this amount of water from an ecosystem will mean that it, too, will die
- No studies have been done for the Environmental Assessment on how taking this amount of water will affect the land beyond the actual mine site. There is no mention of the endangered, critically endangered and threatened species in the gorge below the mine, ranging from the Powerful Owl to the critically endangered eucalyptus Kartzoffina.

Furthermore -

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Yours truluy

Tanya Potter

## George Mobayed - Dargues Reef mining project

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**From:** Sandra Poulton <sandrapoulton43@hotmail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 27/10/2010 9:55 PM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef mining project

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## George Mobayed - Dargues Reef Mining Project

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**From:** "Carole Poustie" <carolepoustie@optusnet.com.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 25/10/2010 5:36 PM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef Mining Project

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Carole Poustie  
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Mitcham 3132  
Reference number 10 0054

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Regards

Carole Poustie

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(03) 9884 9883  
[carolepoustie@optusnet.com.au](mailto:carolepoustie@optusnet.com.au)

## **Submission on proposed Dargues Reef Mine Goldmine, Majors Creek**

**Reference 10\_0054**

**NSW Department of Planning and Environment**

**Submission from Noel Pratt, Geoff Pryor and Fabia Pryor**

PO Box 2115 Kambah Village

Kambah ACT 2902

### **To whom it may concern**

We are writing to express our opposition to the Dargues Reef Goldmine proposal.

As frequent visitors to the Araluen Valley region just downstream from the proposed mine site over the past 30 years we are very concerned about the potential impact of the mine on the water table and consequently on the ecology of this area.

The region on which mining operations may impact is of considerable environmental and economic significance. The property of Neverbreak Hills and reserves surrounding it are just four kilometres from the mine site and provide habitat for rare and endangered species including several that are nationally listed, while the area further downstream supports a thriving peach orchard industry.

Vulnerable or endangered species which are present in the area downstream of the mine and which fall within the sphere of the Commonwealth Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act include:

- New Holland Mouse (*Pseudomys novaehollandiae*): vulnerable
- Araluen Zieria (*Zieria adenophora*): endangered
- Button Wrinklewort (*Rutidosis leptorrhynchoides*): endangered
- Grey Deua Pomaderris (*Pomaderris gilmourii* var. *cana*): vulnerable
- Spotted-tailed Quoll (*Dasyurus maculatus*): endangered
- Araluen Gum (*Eucalyptus kartzoffiana*): vulnerable.

Other significant species in the area include the critically endangered Brush-tailed Rock Wallaby, the endangered Powerful Owl and Barking Owl, the endangered Red Goshawk and the endangered Red-Tailed Black Cockatoos which visit the region usually in December. Many other species exist locally only in the gorge below the mine site including the Red-necked Wallaby, Sandpaper Fig, Cabbage Tree Palm and one of the few remaining remnants of Backhousia dry rainforest canopy.

From our reading of the Environmental Assessment for the Dargues Reef Mine it appears that there has been no proper environmental assessment of the impact of the mine beyond its immediate vicinity in Majors Creek. Potential impacts on the downstream area have apparently been completely disregarded.

Our primary concerns relate to this lack of adequate assessment and the predicted impact of mining operations on ground water and the potential effect of this on the ecosystem. We are also concerned about what appears to be inadequate engineering for the proposed tailings dam.

In a country where water is recognised as a major environmental issue, the critical importance of ground water in particular is increasingly being discussed within the public and policy arenas. Yet the proposal for the Dargues Reef Mine anticipates removing more than 66 megalitres of water per year from the water table leading to a projected ground water drop of 1.5 metres minimum with a possible maximum drop of more than six metres.

Yet there is no study of the downstream environmental impact likely to result from removing this amount of water from the aquifer. Over the 30 years we have been visiting this region we have seen it facing increasing stress as result of prolonged drought, increasing numbers of feral animals and increasing upstream removal of water. However it has still managed to support endangered plants and animals and a healthy orchard industry. Whether it could continue to do this with the massive drop in ground water such as anticipated in the proposal is highly doubtful.

To put it simply, trees need access to ground water to survive and animals rely on the springs provided by ground water. If the ground water at the mining site is reduced by even the minimum level anticipated in the proposal, the ecosystem downstream is likely to be severely damaged, with little or no chance of future recovery. The peach orchards will be similarly affected.

We are also concerned to see that the proposed tailings dam does not appear to meet best practice standards in that no secondary wall seems to be proposed. Without this, there is a potential for the dam to fail and cause irreversible damage to the surrounding region.

## **Conclusion**

Given the increasing recognition of the significance of ground water it is incomprehensible that any government today could accede to a proposal such as that for the Dargues Reef Mine.

Much of the environmental destruction in this country has been produced by the accumulation of piece-meal decisions made for short term economic gain. In this case the argument for the mine is based on short term anticipated private profit plus some perceived short-term economic gain to the immediate region through increased employment and business. After ten years however this will be gone. And, if the mine is allowed to proceed as proposed, the natural ecosystems and peach industry downstream will be gone as well. Any economic and social analysis of the proposed mine needs to be consider the results of mine-induced environmental degradation in the surrounding region, acknowledging the adverse affects likely to be felt in local industries such as fruit growing.

We submit that no decision should be taken on the Dargues Reef Mine until a thorough environmental assessment is undertaken on the impact of water use by the mine and, in particular, of the effect of the anticipated drop in groundwater on the natural environment and the peach industry at least six kilometres downstream from the mine. This assessment should especially take into account the impact on endangered and vulnerable species.

We also submit that given the presence in the area of species listed under the EPBC Act, the Commonwealth Government should be called on to consider the impact of the Dargues Reef Mining proposal and that parties to this process should be required to comply with Commonwealth law.

Finally we submit that a close safety assessment should be made of the proposed tailings dam to ensure that it complies with world's best practice including building a secondary wall.

Noel Pratt, Geoff Pryor, Fabia Pryor

31 October 2010

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**George Mobayed**

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**From:** "Heather" <phpriems@activ8.net.au>  
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**Date:** 26/10/2010 3:30 PM

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Name: Heather Priems  
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Reference number 10 0054

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**George Mobayed - Online Submission from Kathy Prokhovnik (object)**

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**From:** Kathy Prokhovnik <kprokhov@bigpond.net.au>  
**To:** George Mobayed <George.Mobayed@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 29/10/2010 2:39 PM  
**Subject:** Online Submission from Kathy Prokhovnik (object)  
**CC:** <assessments@planning.nsw.gov.au>

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A new coal mine south of Sydney has been shelved because of wider social and environmental considerations (SMH 28/10/2010). This wider view of mining is only to be applauded. Too many mines threaten to do irreparable damage to the environmental and social structures of surrounding areas. The Dargues Reef mining project is yet another proposed mine that poses a major problem for nearby residents, animals, plants, water supplies and soil.

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Site: #2222 Dargues Reef Mine  
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## George Mobayed - Dargues Reef Mining Objection

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**From:** Alison Prouten <aprouten@gmail.com>  
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**Date:** 29/10/2010 8:22 PM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef Mining Objection

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Email to: plan\_ [comment@planning.nsw.gov.au](mailto:comment@planning.nsw.gov.au)

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Do we have to get to the stage where wombats are extinct before we realise that enough is enough!

Sorry but wombats are far more important than gold mining!

sincerely Alison Prouten

**George Mobayed - Dargues Reef Mining Project objection**

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**From:** Susan Pryke <pryke.sue@gmail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 28/10/2010 2:03 PM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef Mining Project objection

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**Reference number 10 0054**

Name: Susan Pryke

Address: 20 Old Princes Highway, Narooma NSW 2546

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Susan Pryke  
20 Old Princes Highway  
Narooma, NSW, 2546.

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**George Mobayed - Reference number 10 0054**

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**From:** "Sally Purbrick-Illek" <purbie@hotmail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 1/11/2010 10:24 AM  
**Subject:** Reference number 10 0054

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Regards,

Sally Purbrick-Illek

Helensvale Qld 4212

## George Mobayed - Dargues Reef mining project

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**From:** "The Rainger Family" <rainger@goulburn.net.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 28/10/2010 5:56 PM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef mining project

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The Dept of Planning  
Consultation  
Dargues Reef mining project

To Whom it May Concern

I write to express my concerns over the Dargues reef mining project. There are too many negative consequences of such a project. I am particularly concerned about:

1. The amount of water required for the mining and the effect on the water table in the area.
2. The effect on animal and plant life in the area of taking so much water.
3. The toxic tailings dam and the absence of a second wall, should the first wall fail; this goes against 'world's best practice'.
4. Questions raised by the Environmental Assessment have not been answered and the go-ahead for the project seems to have been rushed.

I join with many other voices in urging you to delay and to give further consideration to the wisdom of the project.

Sincerely

Helen Rainger

19 Middle Arm Rd  
Goulburn 2580

**George Mobayed - urgent objection**

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**From:** "Jan Ramage" <ramcom@wn.com.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 12:59 PM  
**Subject:** urgent objection

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Name: Jan Ramage  
Address: 19 Hesperia Ave City Beach Perth Western Australia.  
Reference number 10 0054

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Sincerely Jan Ramage  
Author of environmental children's books and conservationist.

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**George Mobayed - Dargues Reef mining project**

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**From:** Anne Rasenberger <arassenberger@gmail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 27/10/2010 2:48 PM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef mining project

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Name: Anne Rasenberger  
Address: 6 O'Connell Street, Gympie, Qld 4570  
Reference number 10 0054

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"Each child is sent into this world by God with a unique message to deliver, a new song to sing, a personal act of love to bestow."

John Powell, S.J.

**From:** Pastor Frank Rasenberger <rasenberger@internode.on.net>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 27/10/2010 5:12 pm  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef mining project

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**George Mobayed**

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**From:** <matt-bianca@bigpond.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 25/10/2010 12:58 PM

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Bianca Rattenbury

17/2 Para St Balgownie  
NSW 2519

Reference number 10 0054

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Regards

Bianca Rattenbury



## George Mobayed - Online Submission from Anne Rault of Deua Rivercare (object)

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**From:** Anne Rault <annerault@activ8.net.au>  
**To:** George Mobayed <George.Mobayed@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 1/11/2010 11:22 AM  
**Subject:** Online Submission from Anne Rault of Deua Rivercare (object)  
**CC:** <assessments@planning.nsw.gov.au>

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Reference Number 10\_0054

Dargues Reef Gold Mine, Majors Creek

Submission from Anne Rault on behalf of Anne and Alan Rault, 2391 Araluen Rd., Deua River Valley

We have resided at the above address for the past thirty years and are very concerned about the possible environmental ramifications of the above proposal.

We strongly object to the proposed Dargues Reef gold mining project on the grounds that no environmental assessment has been made of the impact due to the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine. No studies have been done to assess what impact the removal of 66.2 megalitres per year of water from the local water-table will have on communities downstream from Majors Creek.

Also, the proposal includes a 25 metre high tailings dam. This dam will contain a highly toxic sludge. World's best practice is to have a secondary dam wall in the event that the first dam wall fails. This is not to be the case at the proposed Dargues Reef mine. We are interested to know what provisions will be in place to deal with overflows from the tailings dam. What is the statistical likelihood that the dam wall will be breached in the event of protracted heavy rains like this area experienced in the 1970s? We are also mindful of the recent event in Hungary which resulted in a toxic flood into the Danube River. What possibility is there that the beautiful and relatively pristine Deua River, which provides water for the whole of Eurobodalla Shire and which has high environmental values, could be similarly affected?

We request that our objections be noted. In the event that the application for the Dargues Reef mining proposal goes ahead, we ask that you reply to our concerns, expressed in this submission, in writing at your earliest convenience.

Yours faithfully,

Anne Rault  
on behalf of Anne Rault and Alan Rault

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annerault@activ8.net.au

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Name: Anne Rault  
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Site: #2222 Dargues Reef Mine

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**George Mobayed - Re: From Jackie French.**

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**From:** Dave Rawlins <daverawlins75@gmail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 29/10/2010 2:08 PM  
**Subject:** Re: From Jackie French.

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Objection to Dargues Reef mining project  
Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

David Rawlins  
50 Tristran Parade  
Mullumbimby Ck  
NSW 2482

**George Mobayed - Reference number 10 0054**

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**From:** James Ray <jray310@gmail.com>  
**To:** plan\_comment <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 28/10/2010 7:32 PM  
**Subject:** Reference number 10 0054

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Name: James Ray  
Address: 59 Muru Avenue, Winmalee, NSW, 2777  
Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine. A removal of 6.6 megalitres of water per year from the local water table would lead to a drop in 1.5 and 10 metres. This would have a devastating effect on the environment. I request more time for these and other questions raised by the

Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling. One third of species on the planet are currently endangered, do not worsen the case.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

It is of extreme concern that the mine proposal also includes a 25 metre high tailings dam. I object to the mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made on the grounds that no secondary wall has been proposed. If the first wall breaks, the toxic sludge contained within will sweep over everything before it, from Jackie French's house to every plant and creature in the valley. My objection is that no best practice of a second wall has been proposed. Additionally, no assessment has been made if toxic sludge will leak into the surrounding soil, nor the effects on the surrounding environment as a result of this.

James Ray  
59 Muru Avenue,  
Winmalee, NSW,  
2777

**George Mobayed - Fw: ref number 10 0054**

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**From:** "sylvia raye" <bowraye@iimetro.com.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 24/10/2010 10:51 PM  
**Subject:** Fw: ref number 10 0054

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**From:** [sylvia raye](#)  
**To:** [plan\\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au](#)  
**Sent:** Sunday, October 24, 2010 10:48 PM  
**Subject:** ref number 10 0054

**What are we doing to this beautiful planet earth?**

**"Only when the last tree has died and the last river has been poisoned and  
the last fish has been caught will we realize we can't eat money "  
— Cree Proverb**

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

**Sylvia Raye  
6 Tottenham Place,  
Blakehurst 2221  
Sydney**

**George Mobayed - Dargues Reef mining project (reference number 10 0054)**

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**From:** "Rayner, Michelle T" <rayner.michelle.t@edumail.vic.gov.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 8:47 PM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef mining project (reference number 10 0054)

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To whom it may concern,

I, Michelle Rayner, of 12 Charman Avenue, Emerald, Victoria, 3782, object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project (reference number 10 0054), on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6

kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Yours sincerely,

Michelle Rayner

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**George Mobayed - submission - Reference number 10 0054**

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**From:** kirstie rea <kirstierea@yahoo.com.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 25/10/2010 9:53 PM  
**Subject:** submission - Reference number 10 0054

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Reference number 10 0054

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Kirstie Rea  
88 Ross Road  
Queanbeyan NSW

Tel: 0421 801 126



**Kane Winwood - Online Submission from Charles Read of horticulturist (object)**

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**From:** Charles Read <chas@activ8.net.au>  
**To:** Kane Winwood <kane.winwood@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 25/10/2010 9:49 PM  
**Subject:** Online Submission from Charles Read of horticulturist (object)  
**CC:** <assessments@planning.nsw.gov.au>

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Over the last 15 years there has been a very marked loss of inflows due to climate change. Any additional removal of water from the system will have negative effects on river health ( which is already subject to commercial irrigation ) and Eurobodalla Shire's water supply. It would be a total catastrophe if the storage/tailings dam should give way for some unpredicted reason (eg Hugary) as the Deua river flows through National Park. I regard this as another case of mining rites over other social needs. I completely oppose this mine

Name: Charles Read  
Organisation: horticulturist

Address:  
1382  
Araluen Rd  
Moruya

IP Address: - 116.250.17.175

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**Kane Winwood**

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**George Mobayed - Dargues reef mining project**

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**From:** Dianne Read <dianneread62@gmail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 29/10/2010 8:04 PM  
**Subject:** Dargues reef mining project

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Dear Planning Committee,

Re Proposal Reference number 10 0054

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Dianne Read  
38 Sassin Crescent  
Medowie, 2318

**From:** "Ev Read" <ev.read@flagstaff.sa.edu.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 25/10/2010 10:37 pm  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef mining project

Dargues Reef mining project  
Reference number 10 0054

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Ev Read  
Teacher Librarian  
Flagstaff Hill School  
S.A.

**George Mobayed - The Dargues Reef Mining proposal**

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**From:** Kaitlyn <treefrog424@gmail.com>  
**To:** "plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au" <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 1/11/2010 10:23 AM  
**Subject:** The Dargues Reef Mining proposal

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Kaitlyn Read

Address: 38, Sassin Crescent, Medowie, NSW, 2318

Reference number 10 0054

I protest to the proposed Dargues Reef project, on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall. I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling. I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

**George Mobayed - Re: Dargues Reef project**

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**From:** Kaitlyn <sparklistuff@gmail.com>  
**To:** "plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au" <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 1/11/2010 10:23 AM  
**Subject:** Re: Dargues Reef project

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Meg Read

Address: 38, Sassin Crescent, Medowie, NSW, 2318

Reference number 10 0054

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

**George Mobayed - Dargues reef objections**

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**From:** Kaitlyn <ladybug424@ymail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 1/11/2010 10:23 AM  
**Subject:** Dargues reef objections

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Prue Read

Address: [38, Sassin Crescent, Medowie, NSW, 2318](#)

Reference number 10 0054

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

**George Mobayed - Dargues Reef mining project**

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**From:** "The Reardon's" <jjreardon@aapt.net.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 6:07 PM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef mining project

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Name: Janice Reardon  
Address: 26 Featherhead Way, Melton West 3337  
Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project. It is my understanding that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

I believe that more time should be taken for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year. This will allow for variation in rainfall.

I strongly request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

Furthermore I request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

For your consideration.

Janice Reardon

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## George Mobayed - I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project

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**From:** Jeanette Reece <jreece@unimelb.edu.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 25/10/2010 11:15 AM  
**Subject:** I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project

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Name: Jeanette Reece  
Address: 32 Brunel Street, Malvern East 3145 VIC  
Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Jeanette Reece



**To the NSW Planning Commission:**

I strenuously object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project going ahead as currently projected. It seems extraordinary to me that no assessment has yet been made of the mine's impact on groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, notably on the fragile ecosystems that it supports.

More time is needed for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including the making of test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year to allow for variation in rainfall.

I request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This needs a year for completion as some species are migratory and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Knowing Major's Creek as I do, it seems to me almost incredible that an area of such unique beauty and environmental value should have been put seriously at risk and that so little attention should have been paid to the mine's likely impact.

Robert H. Reece (Dr)

Professor Emeritus in History

Murdoch University

Western Australia

"Robert Reece" <B.Reece@murdoch.edu.au>

**George Mobayed - Dargues Reef mining project**

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**From:** Pamela Reeves <pamela.reeves@optusnet.com.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 29/10/2010 8:01 PM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef mining project

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Name: Pamela Reeves\  
Address: 29 Kennedy Street, Gladesville NSW 2111  
**Reference number 10 0054**

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Yours sincerely

**From:** Jade Reid <jade.reid2@education.nsw.gov.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 29/10/2010 10:26 am  
**Subject:** mining

I object to the proposed dargues reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of ground water in a 2 square kilometre radius of the mine, nor the fragile ecosystem below the mine and not just a small region around the mine but the river system near the mine which leads to the Moruya river the river in which I and many other people fish. I believe that if we have floods like the floods in February and later months your chemicals you use will and heavy metals will be washed down through this ecosystem and kill generations of fish oysters and aquatic life including birds. Some fish won't be able to come back from ocean. There is also a sanctuary zone in which is a part of the river where fish breed no one is allowed to fish there anymore this mining proposal could destroy this valuable breeding site. I believe that more research should be done into the points that I have made and answers provided. There are many more places in the Eurobodalla where gold is easily found that won't affect wildlife to the extent that this mining proposal will do. Please take more time to do this and make more assessments into the effects of the mine.

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## George Mobayed - A Submission on the proposed Darques Reef mining project

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**From:** "joani reid" <joani1@optusnet.com.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 2:39 PM  
**Subject:** A Submission on the proposed Darques Reef mining project

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Name: Joan Frances Reid  
Address: 1261 Araluen Road Moruya NSW 2537  
Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Yours in Hope

Joan Reid

**George Mobayed - Ref No. 100054 - Dargues Reef Mining Project**

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**From:** "Pip Reid" <pipandsamreid@bigpond.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 27/10/2010 10:06 AM  
**Subject:** Ref No. 100054 - Dargues Reef Mining Project

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**Name:** Philippa Reid  
**Address:** 42 Amber Avenue, Rasmussen, Qld, 4815.

**Reference number 10 0054**

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Philippa Reid  
Townsville Qld

**George Mobayed - From Ellen Virginia Reiner REf: 10 0054**

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**From:** "Ellen Reiner" <EReiner@was.qld.edu.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 27/10/2010 2:23 PM  
**Subject:** From Ellen Virginia Reiner REf: 10 0054

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From:  
Ellen Virginia Reiner  
557 Mackay-Habana Road  
Nindaroo, Queensland 4740

Reference: 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Regards,

Ellen Reiner



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**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 25/10/2010 10:42 pm  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef mining project

>Reference number 10 0054

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>I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no  
>assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater  
>beyond the two  
>square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened  
>ecosystems below the mine.  
>I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental  
>Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream  
>from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a  
>period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.  
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>identified in late winter when they are calling.  
>I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous  
>sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings  
>dam.

Sue Rendell  
Old Police Station  
Mongarlowe NSW 2622



**George Mobayed - Objection to Dargues Reef Mining Project**

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**From:** Rachael Revill <rachaelrevill1@gmail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 8:35 PM  
**Subject:** Objection to Dargues Reef Mining Project

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I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Yours Sincerely  
Rachael Revill  
5 Lucerne Street  
Mernda 3754

**George Mobayed - Dargues Reef mining project**

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**From:** "Gillian Rhodes" <jillr7@bigpond.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 9:00 PM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef mining project

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**Gillian Rhodes**  
**35 Skennars Head Road**  
**BALLINA NSW 2478**

**Reference number 10 0054**

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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Gillian Rhodes  
35 Skennars Head Road  
BALLINA NSW 2478

**From:** Dr Bob Rich <bob@bobswriting.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 8:08 am  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef Mine

> Name: Robert Rich, Ph.D., MAPS, GAICD  
> Address: PO Box 214, Healesville, Vic  
> Reference number 10 0054

Dear Sir/Madam,

I wish to lodge a protest regarding the proposed Dargues Reef Mine.

This project is upstream of a complex, environmentally valuable ecosystem that contains rare and endangered species of flora and fauna. It is also the home of people whose entire life will be destroyed if this ecosystem is severely damaged.

The project depends on the removal of 66.2 megalitres of water per year from the local water table. This is practically guaranteed to convert areas downstream of it into a desert. I request that a proper environmental effects study be performed including several Km downstream of the location of the proposed mine. This study should be carried out for a sufficient length of time to be able to assess all impacts; a minimum of one year.

There is also a question of safety: the proposal is not up to world standards of protection in case the tailings dam leaks or fails.

I also protest that potential objectors have been given such a short time to respond.

Sincerely,  
Bob Rich.

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Dr Bob Rich  
<http://bobswriting.com>  
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**Kane Winwood - Fwd: FW: Reference number 10 0054**

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**From:** plan\_comment  
**To:** Kane Winwood  
**Date:** 25/10/2010 3:32 PM  
**Subject:** Fwd: FW: Reference number 10 0054

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>>> Belinda Richards <belinda3@live.com.au> 25/10/2010 13:56 >>>

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall. I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

**From:** "Richards, Rosemary" <ROSEMARY.E.RICHARDS@det.nsw.edu.au>  
**To:** "plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au" <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 25/10/2010 7:32 am  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef mining project Reference number 10 0054

Dargues Reef mining project  
Reference number 10 0054  
To Whom It May Concern,

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Rosemary Richards  
Prairiewood High School  
Locked Bag No 46  
Wetherill Park BC 2164

Ph : 02 97255444  
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## George Mobayed - Objection to the proposed Dargues Reef Mine

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**From:** "Richardson, Fiona" <fiona\_richardson@mcgraw-hill.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 25/10/2010 1:36 PM  
**Subject:** Objection to the proposed Dargues Reef Mine

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Name: Fiona Richardson  
 Address: 24/13 Wheatleigh Street, Crows Nest, NSW 2065  
 Reference number: 10 0054

**I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project** on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine. I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam. The consequences of neglecting to undertake these assessments could be critical and irreversible.

Fiona Richardson

**Fiona Richardson**  
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**Kane Winwood - Reference number 10 0054**

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**From:** Danille Richmond <danille.richmond@y7mail.com>  
**To:** <Kane.Winwood@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 27/10/2010 10:55 AM  
**Subject:** Reference number 10 0054

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Name: Danille Richmond  
Address: 23 Hillcrest Avenue Woonona NSW 2517  
Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

**George Mobayed - Submission re proposed Dargues Reef Mine - Ref No. 10 0054**

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**From:** <g.richmond@hsbc.com.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 9:47 AM  
**Subject:** Submission re proposed Dargues Reef Mine - Ref No. 10 0054

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I strongly object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project. My opposition is essentially due to the fact that no assessment has been made of the likely impact on the loss of ground water beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the environmentally valuable ecosystems below the mine in the Araluen Valley.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the ground water over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam. I would also like assurances that the proposed tailings dam will meet world best practice, given the recent horrific event in Eastern Europe.

Yours sincerely,

Garry Richmond  
 33A Georges River Crescent  
 Oyster Bay NSW 2225

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**George Mobayed - Dargues Reef Mining project reference number 10 0054**

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**From:** Lucy R <royalty\_prefers\_trumpets@hotmail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 25/10/2010 7:46 PM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef Mining project reference number 10 0054

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Lucy Ridge  
97 Springvale Drive Weetangera ACT 2614  
Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine. I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall. I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling. I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Lucy Ridge

**George Mobayed - Objection to proposed Dargues Reef mining project**

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**From:** "Stephan Riedel" <SRiedel@tps.vic.edu.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 28/10/2010 2:50 PM  
**Subject:** Objection to proposed Dargues Reef mining project

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To whom it may concern,

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Stephan Riedel

Gavin Rikken  
8 Luderick Court  
Merimbula NSW 2548

Department of Planning  
Fax: 9228 6466  
To whom it may concern

REFERENCE No.: 10 0054

I **object** to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

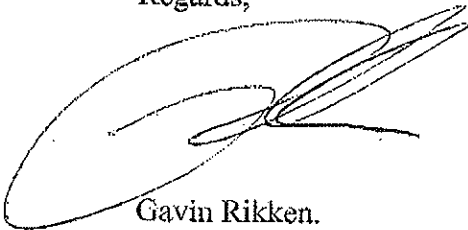
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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

I strongly urge you to consider the above points and stop this proposal.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Gavin Rikken', written over a large, loopy, and somewhat illegible scribble.

Gavin Rikken.

**George Mobayed - Fwd: NSW story of proposed Gold Mine, can you help**

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**From:** Chris Riley <chrisriley@iinet.net.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 28/10/2010 11:36 PM  
**Subject:** Fwd: NSW story of proposed Gold Mine, can you help

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Name:Chris Riley  
Address:4 Mossgreen LiNk, Harrisdale, WA  
Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Australia's history is full of these sorts of stories of man's greed, which is why I am a member of The Wilderness Society. We should all think seriously about protecting what is left of our heritage. Our grandchildren will say to us " Why didn't you do anything about it ? " when it's all gone.

Yours disgustedly,

Chris Riley

**George Mobayed - I object to the Dargues Reef mining project**

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**From:** Morgana Robb <moreghana@hotmail.com>  
**To:** <comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>, <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 28/10/2010 10:28 PM  
**Subject:** I object to the Dargues Reef mining project

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Dear Sir/Madam,

**Reference number 10 0054**

We all need a place to call our home. Some believe it is the most important thing,  
a sense of place, somewhere you know you belong and feel safe. Imagine then, that your sanctuary, the one place you can truly be yourself and  
live, is at risk of being ruined and invaded by a gold mine.

The proposed Dargues Reef mining project is a disaster waiting to happen,  
which I strongly object to.

No assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on  
the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine. I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

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as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and  
Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.  
As a person who calls Australia home, I can't imagine trading my sense of place  
or in fact, the place that I have devoted so much time in making my home.

Please take this subject seriously, on behalf of this wonderful place that has brought so much inspiration to one of our iconic writers, Jackie French, and all the complex life forms that reside there.

Sincerely,  
Morgana Robb  
14 Cards Lane  
Olinda, Victoria  
3788

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**George Mobayed - Re Dargues Reef Mining Project**

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**From:** Rosemarie Robb <roro.bb@gmail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 28/10/2010 1:44 PM  
**Subject:** Re Dargues Reef Mining Project

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Rosemarie Robb  
14 Cards Lane  
Olinda 3788  
Victoria

Ref. No. 10 0054

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am deeply concerned about the proposed Dargues Reef mining project and the threat this poses to the continued survival of critically endangered species and an area of rich and varied habitat.

At some point we, as a so called intelligent race, have to realize that preserving what is left of biodiversity is crucial to our own survival and that squeezing every last dollar out of the environment is shortsighted and unethical.

The ecosystems we so unthinkingly put at risk are the very systems which provide us, at no cost, with clean water and air, good soil, and space, to re gain our health and unwind.

These ecosystem services are irreplaceable and priceless and the systems themselves increasingly rare.

I object to the Dargues Reef mining project because the drop in ground water levels this activity would cause would be devastating to the plants and animals who depend on accessing that water, especially when no studies have been done for the Environmental Assessment on how taking 66.2 ML/year of water will affect the land beyond the actual mine site.

The wild animals, some of them endangered, as well as the grasses and other plants below the mine site are already under pressure from surrounding farms and will be more adversely affected by climate change in the future as well. To further put their survival at risk through possible lack of water from a sinking water table, or water toxicity that a tailings dam would create is not acceptable. All dams slowly leak their contents into the surrounding earth and therefore into the groundwater, and also, in times of water shortages, animals would resort to drinking from this dam.

Any failure in the dam wall would have catastrophic effects on the Araluen Valley. The whole idea of opening a mine in such a beautiful area for short term gain is repugnant and I strongly object to it. I am familiar with the area, having lived nearby in the past.

Yours faithfully,  
Rosemarie Robb

**George Mobayed - Online Submission from Brendan Roberts (object)**

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**From:** Brendan Roberts <bmroberts2010@gmail.com>  
**To:** George Mobayed <George.Mobayed@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 30/10/2010 8:23 PM  
**Subject:** Online Submission from Brendan Roberts (object)  
**CC:** <assessments@planning.nsw.gov.au>

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I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that insufficient assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

I believe that more time for these and other questions raised by an Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores at least 6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of at least one year, to allow for seasonal variation in rainfall, if not variations over the course of an el nino/la nina cycle.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Finally, as aquifers and groundwater sources would be affected for a prolonged period of time after operations have ceased, I would like environmental assessments to consider long term impacts on agricultural use of ground and surface water and the likely social and economic impacts this would have on the industry and communities within the vicinity of the mine and downstream.

Name: Brendan Roberts

Address:

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Submission for Job: #3871 Dargues Reef Gold Project (PA 10\_0054)

[https://majorprojects.onhiive.com/index.pl?action=view\\_job&id=3871](https://majorprojects.onhiive.com/index.pl?action=view_job&id=3871)

Site: #2222 Dargues Reef Mine

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**George Mobayed - Re: 10 0054 - Dargues reef mining project**

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**From:** carla roberts <carlaajs@msn.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 10:33 PM  
**Subject:** Re: 10 0054 - Dargues reef mining project

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To whom it may concern

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

For once cant we do the right thing for the environment and its flora and fauna instead of the right thing for the greed of man??????????????

Hoping a reasonable decision will be made

Carla Roberts  
27 Delaware Rd  
Niagara Park 2250

**George Mobayed - FW: Reference number 10 0054**

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**From:** "Roberts, Lou" <LRoberts@begavalley.nsw.gov.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 9:53 AM  
**Subject:** FW: Reference number 10 0054

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*Lou Roberts IC&T Co-ordinator  
Bega Valley Shire Council*

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**From:** Roberts, Lou  
**Sent:** Tuesday, 26 October 2010 9:51 AM  
**To:** 'comment@planning.nsw.gov.au'  
**Subject:** Reference number 10 0054

Name: Lee Roberts  
Address: 1770 Sapphire Coast Dr WALLAGOOT 2550  
Reference number 10 0054

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Bega Valley Shire Council*

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**From:** Candy Robertson <candy@noferin.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 25/10/2010 6:47 pm  
**Subject:** Reference number 10 0054

Candy Robertson  
Address: 738 Arthurs Seat Rd, Arthurs Seat 3936  
Reference number 10 0054

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Regards,  
Candy Robertson

**George Mobayed - submission**

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**From:** Stuart Robertson <capricorn767@optusnet.com.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 10:46 AM  
**Subject:** submission

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My objection to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project:

Reference number 10 0054

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Jill Robertson  
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**From:** Nick Robertson <nicho@noferin.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 25/10/2010 6:46 pm  
**Subject:** Reference number 10 0054

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Regards,  
Nick Robertson

## George Mobayed - Proposed Dargues Reef Goldmine at Majors Creek (Reference number 10 0054)

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**From:** Bruce Robins <brucegr33@gmail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 1/11/2010 10:23 AM  
**Subject:** Proposed Dargues Reef Goldmine at Majors Creek (Reference number 10 0054)  
**CC:** <brucegr33@gmail.com>

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Dear Sir/Madam,

I have just read the plea from Jackie French, reproduced below. While I have not had time to substantiate the claims in the email, apparently I need to write by COB Nov 1 to be heard. If even some of the claims are true then I am deeply concerned with the potential environmental impact of the proposed Dargues Reef Goldmine. Sooner or later the powers that control such decisions are going to have to start doing what is right, rather than what makes some people and/or industries substantial profits in what really is the short term. I hope this starts to occur before it is forced by various environmental disasters or such a scale of general environmental degradation that makes it so obvious that those who wield power can no longer make such decisions without public repercussions.

I look at the amount of money to be made off the north west of WA and before anyone even starts to think about environmental impacts I can conclude the projects will go ahead. As a member of the public I can only believe that when such large amounts of money are to be made, projects will go ahead one way or another. The gas project off Darwin (I think it off Darwin) is another case. I believe a reef (Wallace reef?) is being blown to pieces to open a shipping lane for the tankers to access infrastructure to load the gas. Apparently this is fine as there is a "safe" procedure designed to ensure no dolphins or turtles are harmed. I cannot remember the exact details re the number of blasts but it astounded me. At least 2-3 a week for over a year if I remember correctly. Again I suspect I do not have all the details, but I find it hard to believe blowing a reef to pieces involving that number of blasts will not have a significant impact on all sorts of sea creatures both in the short and longer term.

We cannot stop all development and we will have an impact on the planet. I recognise how hungry the world is for various resources and the impacts of shortages of certain resources. But, unless we take far more care with such decisions the environmental impact will be unnecessarily large. I hope those in the positions that are involved in such decision find the courage to start saying no to certain proposed developments and ensuring those that go ahead will not have devastating environmental consequences. The environment is now in the public consciousness and I feel many developments go ahead more easily than they should simply because many people do not even know they are occurring. I wonder just how many developments would go ahead if each of them had far more public awareness. We have seen some amazing turnarounds on the environmental front when a group has managed to bring a particular development to the general public's awareness in a big way.

I believe it is clear the public want more care taken when it comes to the environment, but I suspect what is occurring is out of step with that.

I urge you to consider the Dargues Reef Goldmine proposal closely and not to minimise and/or ignore the potential environmental impacts. If environmental impact statements have not been conducted for areas close to the mine that could be affected, then I urge they be done and taken notice of. If there really would be two walls to protect the tailings dam, then I hope two walls will be there if the mine goes ahead. If the claims in the email re the water table dropping by 1.5 to 10.5m are correct, then I struggle to see how there will not be significant environmental impact. That figure is frightening.

I simply urge you to take the time to allow all the relevant information to be gathered so a well thought out and well balanced decision can be made. If the "right" decision is that the mine should go ahead, then I can but hope that decision was arrived at by looking at a fair balance of all relevant

factors.

I would not want to be the one explaining to my son the reason a beautiful part of the world got destroyed was because I was involved in a decision that minimised environmental issues in favour of the almighty dollar.

Yours Sincerely,

Bruce Robins,

601a Great Western Hwy,

Faulconbridge, NSW, 2776.

Reference number 10 0054

Reproduced email follows:

from the Permaculture Research Institute site

#### A Desperate Message from Jackie French

Please help us, the wombats, and the valley. There is only one week left to try to save them.

Two weeks ago we were finally given copies of the Environmental Assessment into the proposed Dargues Reef Goldmine at Majors Creek, four kilometres directly upstream from our property and even closer to the Nature Reserve and National Park partially surrounding us. The details revealed in it had not previously been made public.

The Dargues Reef Mine proposes to remove 66.2 megalitres of water per year from the local water table, leading to a drop in ground water levels of between 1.5 and 10.5 metres. This is an extraordinary and devastating amount.

Plants take their moisture from groundwater. Without it, they die.

Animals drink from springs, fed by groundwater. Without it, they die.

The result of taking this amount of water from an ecosystem will mean that it, too, will die.

No studies have been done for the Environmental Assessment on how taking this amount of water will affect the land beyond the actual mine site. There is no mention of the endangered, critically endangered and threatened species in the gorge below the mine, ranging from the Powerful Owl to the critically endangered eucalyptus *Kartsoffina*.

The mine proposal also includes a 25 metre high tailings dam to just four kilometres above us and the gorge, covering nine hectares. It will contain a toxic sludge that, if the walls break, will sweep everything before it, from our house to every plant and creature in the valley. 'World's best practice' is to have a secondary wall in case the first fails. This is not the case at the proposed Dargues Reef mine.

If this mine goes ahead the animals and plants of the valley may die.

The wombat of *Diary of a Wombat* may die. As for myself- if the bush where I have lived and loved and walked for over 30 years dies around me, then what would be left would not be the Jackie French who had walked and studied and loved the bush community for more than 30 years.

If you have loved *Diary of a Wombat*; if you want to save the life and environment of the real wombat on whom the story is based; if my writing has moved you in any way and if you feel the need to preserve endangered species, or an area of such rich and varied habitat please email your opposition to the mine by close of business this Friday.

I have walked this land for over 30 years. I have drawn the inspiration for my work from the bush around me. To say I love it is inadequate. I am part of it; without it, the person I am will cease to be.

But I have choices. I can leave if the water turns toxic, if the sludge descends. I can buy water and have it tanked in. The wombats, the wallabies, the Powerful Owls- already isolated by surrounding human farms and settlement and starting to be affected by the

environmental impacts of climate change - have no such choice. I owe this place too much not to at least try to defend it and its inhabitants now.

. If you love wombats, the bush, or justice; if you believe that animals have a right to survival despite the benefits to humans from mining gold; if you think that long term investment in the bush, growing peaches or writing books is more valuable than a short term mining gain, spend just five minutes today emailing your objection to the Dargues Reef Mine.

The Dargue's Reef Environmental Assessment can be read at [www.planning.nsw.gov.au](http://www.planning.nsw.gov.au) by following the prompts. If you would like further details about the critically endangered species and grasslands, or the removal of the groundwater, please contact me at [jfrench@dragnet.com.au](mailto:jfrench@dragnet.com.au)

Please- can you help? Or do you know anyone else who can help?

Any submission will help save the valley, and it's critically endangered species.

If you have a spare five minutes, please send your own submission.

Please ask your friends to put in submissions too, by the end of this week.

Submissions should include:

Your name and address

The reference number 10 0054

. Whether you support or object to the mine proposal

. The reasons why you support or object to the mine proposal

Submissions must reach the Department of Planning by close of business

November 1, 2010

Fax: 9228 6466

Or

Emailed to: [plan\\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au](mailto:plan_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au)

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November 1, 2010.

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**George Mobayed - Comment on proposed Dargues Reef mining**

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**From:** "Heidi Robins" <heidi@innachange.com.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 27/10/2010 5:47 PM  
**Subject:** Comment on proposed Dargues Reef mining

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Name: Heidi Robins  
Address: PO Box 1018, Firle SA 5070  
Reference number 10 0054

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**Heidi Robins**

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**George Mobayed - Dargues Reef Mining Project**

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**From:** "Robinson, Bernardine M" <robinson.bernardine.m@edumail.vic.gov.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 25/10/2010 11:16 AM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef Mining Project

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From: Bernardine Robinson  
85 Gitsham Lane  
Kerang Victoria 3579

I strongly object to the proposed Dargues Reef gold mine. There must be a thorough and sustained investigation into the environmental damage that will potentially be caused to the flora and fauna of the area in the event this mine is allowed to proceed. The issues of loss of groundwater, the tailings dam and the impact on local indigenous sites all need careful consideration.

At a time when we are losing ecosystems and our biodiversity is so threatened it is inconceivable that any mine would even be considered in any area which sustains endangered species.

As recently shown in Hungary with the collapse of a tailings dam wall and the devastation caused to humans, animals and river systems by toxic sludge there is too much at risk. It is time for the environment to come first, not second, in the name of profit.

Please consider the submissions in the spirit in which they are written, a genuine effort to save fragile ecosystems and our precious flora and fauna.

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**George Mobayed - Reference number 10 0054**

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**From:** "Donelle and John Robinson" <dro86218@bigpond.net.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 27/10/2010 8:10 PM  
**Subject:** Reference number 10 0054

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Email to: [plan\\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au](mailto:plan_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au)

Reference number 10 0054

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Yours sincerely

Donelle Robinson  
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**George Mobayed - Objection to the proposal to mine the Dargues reef area**

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**From:** pippa robinson <piprob@gmail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 27/10/2010 11:16 PM  
**Subject:** Objection to the proposal to mine the Dargues reef area

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From Pippa Robinson Eagle Top 2806 Thunderbolts Way Tibbuc NSW 2422

Reference number 10 0054

I am concerned about the destruction of the powerful owl habitat by the proposal to mine the Dargues reef area.

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Pippa Robinson

**Kane Winwood - Gold mine at majors creek**

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**From:** "Robyn" <ajcarty@activ8.net.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 24/10/2010 7:18 PM  
**Subject:** Gold mine at majors creek

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Reference number 10 0054

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**Proposed Dargues Reef Mining Project Ref 100054**

Dear Sirs

I am writing to object to the above proposal for a mine site with tailings dams etc etc in the above area.

I strongly feel that a thorough study of the environmental impact of such a project on the surrounding ecosystem must be made and it must be made before any further movement of the project is considered.

This is an area with some unique and endangered species of plants and animals, it also is the home of many of our native animals and plants all existing in a delicate balance.

In the past the problems left on the environments surrounding many mining sites have been serious and far reaching and hopefully something has been learnt from these.

Any development involving changes to groundwater levels etc has an effect not just on the immediate surrounds but farther afield . Have you studied these potential effects thoroughly enough and at a great enough distance beyond the immediate perimeter of the proposed mine site?

Does your plan of works contain sufficient safe guards to the underground water systems and local stream systems in the event of accidents or failure of structures of the mine such as tailings dams etc.?

What will be the chemical nature of the effluents produced by the mining process and what are their potential effects on the ongoing health of the surrounding ecosystems?

It appears that the Environmental Assessment so far carried out may not address all of the issues thoroughly enough given the presence of some known endangered species being the Powerful Owl and the Eucalyptus kartzoffina.

Yours sincerely  
John and Joanna Rodwell  
7 Orchid Street  
Colo Vale NSW 2575

**George Mobayed - Objection To Proposed Dargues Reef Mining Project**

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**From:** Cameron Rogers <twicebright@gmail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 25/10/2010 4:19 PM  
**Subject:** Objection To Proposed Dargues Reef Mining Project

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To Whom It May Concern,

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall. I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

Cameron Rogers

Author and Journalist (The Age)

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Tracey Romans

16 Maybe St  
Bombala NSW 2632

October 27<sup>th</sup>, 2010

REFERENCE NUMBER: 10 0054

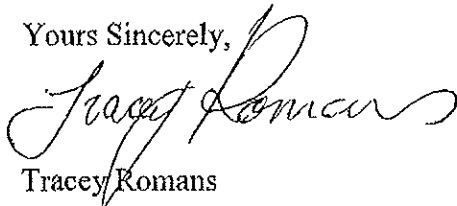
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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and indigenous sites 2.6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Yours Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'Tracey Romans', written in dark ink.

Tracey Romans

**George Mobayed - Reference number 10 0054**

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**From:** "June" <juner@activ8.net.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 27/10/2010 6:47 PM  
**Subject:** Reference number 10 0054

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I am June Ronning of 73 Isaac Moore Dr, Moore Park Bch, Qld, 4670,  
Reference number 10 0054

**I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.**

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Thank you for your time, please consider what is being asked, Kind regards June Ronning.

**George Mobayed - Submission (ref 10 0054)**

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**From:** Emma Rooksby <[emma.rooksby@gmail.com](mailto:emma.rooksby@gmail.com)>  
**To:** <[plan\\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au](mailto:plan_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au)>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 3:30 PM  
**Subject:** Submission (ref 10 0054)

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To whom it may concern,

I am writing to you to object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project (project ref 10 0054).

I am objecting to the proposed development because, as far as I can see from the documentation relating to environmental assessment for it, no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

This is a worrying omission that must be rectified, particularly given the increasing concern across communities in NSW regarding loss or pollution of water as a result of mining activity. (For example, there are serious concerns that Thirlmere Lakes have a very low level of water due to nearby long-wall mining in the past, and there are also concerns that cracking in the Georges River as a result of nearby mining is draining this important catchment source for Sydneysiders' drinking water.)

I request more time for these and other issues raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna present in the four kilometres below the mine site. This would need to be undertaken over a period of at least one year, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam. In the absence of such an assessment, there can be no confidence that mining will not damage heritage or indigenous sites, as has apparently recently occurred on other sites in NSW (for example Sandon Point).

I look forward to receiving your response to this email and to hearing what action will be taken to address my concerns, which I am sure are shared by many.

Yours truly,

Dr Emma Rooksby

155 Cabbage Tree Lane

Mount Pleasant NSW 2519

[emma.rooksby@gmail.com](mailto:emma.rooksby@gmail.com)

**George Mobayed - Dargues Reef mining project**

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**From:** Helen Rooney <helen@rooney.net.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 10:03 PM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef mining project

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Name:Helen Rooney  
Address:8 Beaumont St, Clovelly Park SA 5042  
Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometers below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometers down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

**George Mobayed - Dargues Reef mining project**

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**From:** Robyn Rosenfeldt <robyn@robynrosenfeldt.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 25/10/2010 5:02 PM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef mining project

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Reference number 10 0054

To whom it may concern,

I am the editor of Sustain magazine, a magazine that promotes sustainable living based on NSW's south coast. I have been alerted to the Dargues Reef mining project by members of the local community and am absolutely shocked and appalled that such an environmentally insensitive project would even be considered.

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Please do the right thing and consider the impact such a project would have on our environment and make a decision based on maintaining the natural ecosystems that support us, not on short term financial gain.

Yours sincerely  
Robyn Rosenfeldt

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**Sustain**

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**George Mobayed - The reference number 10 0054**

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**From:** ROSNICK Kaye <krosn1@eq.edu.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 1:16 PM  
**Subject:** The reference number 10 0054

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To whom it may concern:

On behalf of all the children who have enjoyed reading books about Australian animals in the past, and will continue to do so in the future, I implore you to do the morally correct thing and ditch the mine proposal.

Our children need to know that when enough people set out to make a difference to the world, good things happen. This needs to be one of those times.

Yours faithfully

*Kaye Rosnick*

Teacher Librarian

Runcorn Heights State School

200 Nemies Road

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**George Mobayed - Reference No. 10 0054**

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**From:** ROSNICK Kaye <krosn1@eq.edu.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 3:00 PM  
**Subject:** Reference No. 10 0054

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To whom it may concern,

We are class 3B students at Runcorn Heights State School.

We want wombats, kangaroos, platypuses and wallabies to live safely in their natural habitats. We care for our animals and we want them to be around for years to come. This means we have to make sure that their habitats are protected.

Build the mines away from the animals. Make sure you follow all of the safety rules. This way, everyone will stay safe.

Thank you.

**Class 3 B**

*Kaye Rosnick*

Teacher Librarian

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**George Mobayed - Reference No. 10 0054**

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**From:** ROSNICK Kaye <krosn1@eq.edu.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 3:21 PM  
**Subject:** Reference No. 10 0054

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To whom it may concern:

We, the students of 3A object to your mine proposal.

Here's why -

- . all the trees will die and we won't have enough oxygen,
- . the animals will die because they will not have any water,
- . the wombats of our country will die and we don't want that to happen to our animals,
- . the environment will suffer because of all of the things that could go wrong,
- . all the plants will pass away and there will not be enough plants for the animals.
- . we don't want animals dying and we will be disgusted if that happens.

You can build your mine somewhere else. Not here. Not where animals will be hurt.

Thank you for listening.

Yours faithfully

The students of 3A

*Kaye Rosnick*



Teacher Librarian

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**George Mobayed - Reference No. 10 0054**

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**From:** ROSNICK Kaye <krosn1@eq.edu.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 28/10/2010 1:41 PM  
**Subject:** Reference No. 10 0054  
**CC:** <hmyer1@eq.edu.au>

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Dear Sir,

We want to help Jackie French because she is one of our famous Australian authors. She is great at writing stories about our environment and the animals in Australia. A lot of these live in her back yard and her garden.

We would like to help her by encouraging you to build the gold mine and dam some where else. Somewhere where it won't damage our environment. Somewhere where the animals will have a home. Somewhere where the fresh water can be used for the animals.

Please do the right thing. Listen to the children of Australia. We are your future.

Yours faithfully

4A

Runcorn Heights State School  
Queensland

**George Mobayed - Reference No. 10 0054**

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**From:** ROSNICK Kaye <krosn1@eq.edu.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 28/10/2010 12:45 PM  
**Subject:** Reference No. 10 0054

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To whom it may concern:

The Dargues Reef Mining Project is not a very good idea.  
This is what we think:

- . It is not fair to the environment because there could be pollution and wrecking of animals' homes,
- . If you need to build a dam, build it correctly with two walls and safety procedures in place,
- . there needs to be another assessment on the effect of taking the groundwater away before anything is done.

Yours faithfully,

Class 4B

Runcorn Heights State School

Brisbane

Queensland

**George Mobayed - Reference No. 10 0054**

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**From:** ROSNICK Kaye <krosn1@eq.edu.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 28/10/2010 1:15 PM  
**Subject:** Reference No. 10 0054

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*Dear Sir,*

*Jackie French has asked for our help. She gets her inspiration for her stories from the animals in her backyard and the area near her farm.*

*If you build the Dargues Reef Mine where you are proposing, lots of bad things could happen. For instance:*

- . all the plants and animals could die,*
- . the farms will suffer because of the water being taken from the water table,*
- . if you build a dam with only one*

*wall, and not a secondary wall, toxic sludge would destroy everything in its path.*

*Yours faithfully*

*4C*

*Runcorn Heights State School  
Queensland*

**George Mobayed - Dargues Reef Mining Project**

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**From:** "Helen Ross" <hros8096@bigpond.net.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 25/10/2010 12:34 PM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef Mining Project

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Name: Helen Ross  
Address: 33 Churinga Waters Dr Old Beach TAS 7017

Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Helen Ross

**George Mobayed - Ref No. 10 0054 Dargues Reef mine**

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**From:** Eloise Ross-Jones <eloiserj@gmail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 2:58 PM  
**Subject:** Ref No. 10 0054 Dargues Reef mine

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Email to: [plan\\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au](mailto:plan_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au)

From: Eloise Ross-Jones (Ms)

Address: 15 William Street, Bundanoon NSW 2578

**Reference number 10 0054****To Whom it may concern,**

I wish to lodge my objection to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project.

There has been inadequate assessment of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, and also on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Sincerely,

Eloise Ross-Jones



**George Mobayed - Proposed Dargues Reef Mining Project**

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**From:** "Lesley Rouvray" <lesleyrouvray@westnet.com.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 24/10/2010 5:52 PM  
**Subject:** Proposed Dargues Reef Mining Project

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*Reference number 10 0054*

*I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.*

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*I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.*

*Lesley Rouvray*

*PO Box 338. Nannup. WA. 6275*

**George Mobayed - Reference number 10 0054**

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**From:** "Richard Rowe" <rrowe@zoo.org.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 27/10/2010 11:43 AM  
**Subject:** Reference number 10 0054  
**CC:** <jfrench@dragnet.com.au>

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Name: Richard Rowe  
Address: 5 McGregor Crt Bacchus Marsh  
Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Richard Rowe

**Nothing beats Melbourne Zoo, Healesville Sanctuary & Werribee Open Range Zoo for great value & good fun. Kids+You+Zoo. This weekend!**

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## George Mobayed - Objection to Proposed Dargues Reef Mine

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**From:** "Carolyn Rowson" <carolyn.rowson@bigpond.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 30/10/2010 6:44 PM  
**Subject:** Objection to Proposed Dargues Reef Mine

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Name: Carolyn Rowson  
Address: 1509 Main Road, Kongwak 3951  
Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Carolyn Rowson

**From:** "Roxby, Sharne" <SHARNE.ROXBY@det.nsw.edu.au>  
**To:** "plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au" <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 25/10/2010 8:41 am  
**Subject:** Dargue's Reef Environmental Assessment

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Sharne Roxby  
24 Henson Avenue  
Mayfield East 2304  
ref # 10 0054

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**George Mobayed - Dargues Reef Mining Project**

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**From:** Tracy Rudd <rollirudd@yahoo.com.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 27/10/2010 2:02 PM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef Mining Project

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Name: Tracy Rudd  
Address: 16 Cedar Drive Dunoon NSW 2480  
Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

**Tracy Rudd**

**From:** Joanne Ruksenas <joanne.ruksenas@optusnet.com.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 1/11/2010 8:55 pm  
**Subject:** Reference number 10 0054 - Objection

Please do not allow the Dargues Reef goldmine to proceed at Majors Creek.

This mine will remove 66.2 megalitres of water per year from the local water table, leading to a significant drop in ground water levels. No environmental studies have been undertaken. That amount of water cannot be removed without causing significant damage to the surrounding environment. If chemicals and toxic sludge is released or breaks from the mine, the results will be beyond catastrophic.

The valley below the mine is home to Jackie French and her family and the amazing country and animals that are the inspiration for her fabulous books. These books are a testament to the beautiful country we live in. They have brought Australia and it's flora and fauna international renown. This area is more valuable than any gold.

Regards,

Joanne Ruksenas

## George Mobayed - reference number 10 0054 : Planned gold mine

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**From:** "Debbie Russell" <lorrussell@vic.chariot.net.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 2:05 PM  
**Subject:** reference number 10 0054 : Planned gold mine

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Contact details:  
Deborah Russell  
24 Reginald St  
Bendigo Vic 3550

I do not support the proposed Dargues Reef Gold Mine.

I object to its development on the following grounds:  
Further endangerment of already endangered animal and plant species.  
Lack of environmental assessment of the impact of drawing on groundwater.  
Failure to have world best practice for construction of tailings dam.

Kind regards,  
Deb Russell

## George Mobayed - Dargues Reef mining project

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**From:** <debrarussell3@bigpond.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 25/10/2010 4:01 PM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef mining project

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Debra Russell  
39 Hillborough Road  
South Hobart

Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Thankyou



**From:** Philip Rutherford <philip.j.rutherford@gmail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 29/10/2010 2:57 pm  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef mining project

Name: Philip Rutherford  
Address: 120B Castle Hill Rd, West Pennant Hills 2125  
Reference number 10 0054

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Philip Rutherford

**From:** Victoria Ryle <victoria@kidsownpublishing.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 27/10/2010 7:22 pm  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef mining project

Dear Sir/Madam,

Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine. No studies have been done for the Environmental Assessment on how taking this amount of water will affect the land beyond the actual mine site. There is no mention of the endangered, critically endangered and threatened species in the gorge below the mine, ranging from the Powerful Owl to the critically endangered eucalyptus Kartzoffina.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Yours faithfully,

Victoria Ryle

25 Lucerne Cres  
Alphington  
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**George Mobayed - Reference number 10 0054**

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**From:** megan sadler <meganmsadler@hotmail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 29/10/2010 9:38 AM  
**Subject:** Reference number 10 0054

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Name:Megan Sadler  
Address:4/126 Addison Road, Manly  
Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

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Megan

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**From:** "Heather Safstrom" <safstromnh1@bigpond.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 25/10/2010 6:02 pm  
**Subject:** FW: Re proposal 10 0054 - mine proposal

Subject: Re proposal 10 0054 - mine proposal for Dargues Reef Goldmine at Major's creek.

Dear Planning minister

25th October 2010

I have just learned of the 10 0054 planning proposal for the Dargues Reef Goldmine at Major's Creek.

I wish to make strong objection to the effect of the removal of 66.2 megalites of water per year from the local water table for use by the proposed mine!

What kind of Environmental Assessment has been made on the effect of such a large amount of water being removed from the environment? What will be the effect on moisture for plants, animals drinking from springs and habitat for the beautiful environment of that region? There are also a number of endangered animals living in the region, like the powerful owl. They can't live on MONEY! They need a healthy environment to survive.

May I respectfully request that an ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT be made as a mandatory part of the process before any approval is given.

Most sincerely

Heather Safstrom  
72 Bruce St  
Mt Waverley 3149

safstromnh1@bigpond.com

**George Mobayed - Fw: Public Submission re Dargues Reef proposed gold mine**

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**From:** colin sagar <sagarcolin@yahoo.com.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 25/10/2010 3:45 PM  
**Subject:** Fw: Public Submission re Dargues Reef proposed gold mine

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From: colin sagar <sagarcolin@yahoo.com.au>  
Subject: Public Submission re Dargues Reef proposed gold mine  
To: comment@planning.nsw.gov.au  
Received: Monday, 25 October, 2010, 3:25 PM

Colin Sagar  
45 Beauty Point Rd  
Beauty Point  
NSW 2546

NSW Department of Planning  
Proposed Dargues Reef Gold Mine  
Refnumber 100054

Please accept the following as a public submission re the Dargues Reef gold mine proposal.

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

Proposed water use is unacceptable.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

The lack of a secondary backup tailings dam wall is unacceptable.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Yours  
Colin Sagar

**George Mobayed - Proposed Dargues reef mining project - Reference number 10 0054**

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**From:** "Wendy" <wsale@aapt.net.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 24/10/2010 9:38 PM  
**Subject:** Proposed Dargues reef mining project - Reference number 10 0054

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To whom it may concern,

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometers downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometers below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometers down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

I implore you to take notice of these objections. The implications for the fragile ecosystem and the flora and fauna that are dependant upon it could be devastating unless a more thorough environmental impact study of the area surrounding the proposed mine site is carried out.

Yours sincerely,

Wendy Sale

58 Centaur St  
Revesby 2212

**George Mobayed - Ref # 10 0054**

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**From:** Natalie Saleeba <prismaplatypus@gmail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 28/10/2010 9:35 AM  
**Subject:** Ref # 10 0054

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Name: Natalie Saleeba

Address: 194 Glenmore Road, Paddington 2011

Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Natalie Saleeba

**George Mobayed - darques reef goldmine**

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**From:** Vivian Salim <vksalim@gmail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 28/10/2010 8:54 PM  
**Subject:** darques reef goldmine

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Name: Vivian Salim

Address: 44 Matlock Street, Mount Hawthorn, 6016

Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.



**Kane Winwood - Fwd: Fw: Ref: 10 0054**

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**From:** plan\_comment  
**To:** Kane Winwood  
**Date:** 25/10/2010 3:29 PM  
**Subject:** Fwd: Fw: Ref: 10 0054

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>>> Salmon Gum Media <upstream2005@yahoo.com.au> 25/10/2010 14:51 >>>

--- On **Mon, 25/10/10, Salmon Gum Media <upstream2005@yahoo.com.au>** wrote:

From: Salmon Gum Media <upstream2005@yahoo.com.au>  
Subject: Ref: 10 0054  
To: plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au  
Received: Monday, 25 October, 2010, 11:25 AM

Jane Salmon  
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Lindfield NSW 2070  
upstream2005@yahoo.com.au  
0417 919 354  
Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Jane Salmon  
Environment Campaigner  
Chipbusters, SERCA, TWS

**George Mobayed - Reference number 10 0054**

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**From:** Jakaluma <jakaluma@gmail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 28/10/2010 10:43 AM  
**Subject:** Reference number 10 0054

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Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

I realise that this is an issue which falls under the NSW state government, and I live in Queensland, however it is vital for ALL Australian's that our natural habitat is protected. I have lived in NSW, I have family in NSW, I regularly visit NSW.

Sincerely,  
Kathi Satchel  
82 Herries Street, East Toowoomba, Qld, 4350  
[jakaluma@gmail.com](mailto:jakaluma@gmail.com)  
0406 000 120

**George Mobayed - Dargues Reef mining project - Reference number 10 0054**

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**From:** "David" <nadchiefminiistics@wideband.net.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 25/10/2010 10:47 AM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef mining project - Reference number 10 0054

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Email to: plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au  
Name: David & Wendy Saul  
Address: [davidlsaul@broadband.net.au](mailto:davidlsaul@broadband.net.au)  
Reference number 10 0054

As concerned Australians re the future of our wild life and all environmental matters re our beautiful and wonderful land, we object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

We request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometers downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

We also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometers below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

We also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometers down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

David & Wendy Saul – concerned Australians

**George Mobayed - Objection Dargues Reef Mine**

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**From:** "Andrea Savage" <asavage@skymesh.com.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 6:45 PM  
**Subject:** Objection Dargues Reef Mine

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Oct 26/2010

Department of Planning, N.S.W Government.  
Andrea Savage

Mrs

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Bellbird Rd

Bairnsdale, Vic 3875.  
Reference Number 10 0054

Dear Sir/Madam, I write with reference to your proposal to remove 66.2 megalitres of water from the Dargues Reef Mine which I fully object to. My concerns and objections lay in the lack of consideration by the Environmental Assessment in addressing the ramifications of this water removal for areas immediately beyond the mine site, as well as the potential spillage of toxic sludge held behind the 25 metre tailings wall. The area beyond the mine site is habitat to significantly nationally threatened species including the Powerful Owl. Needless to say the surrounding habitat is considered rich enough to warrant the existing of a Nature Reserve and National Park. This warrants a FULL investigation by the applicant of the Dargues Reef Mine, scrutinised by relevant Government Authorities to ensure maximum protection of surrounding landscapes and species within. I urge you, in this International Year of Biodiversity, to give further consideration to the appropriateness of this development at this particular site.

Yours sincerely,

Andrea Savage-Science Educator.

**George Mobayed - Reference Number 10 0054**

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**From:** "Helen Scanlon" <hscanlon@optusnet.com.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 27/10/2010 4:51 PM  
**Subject:** Reference Number 10 0054

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I object to the proposal to mine Dargues Reef for gold. The proposed mine will remove 66.2 megalitres of water per year from the local water table. Everywhere in Australia, science is telling us to be very wary of overusing ground water. The Murray-Darling irrigators have become aware of the vast salt deposits formed by lowering the water table. In the area under consideration, taking this much water will seriously affect the surrounding agricultural properties as well as the nature reserves. Trees and hence animals will die. There has not been an adequate environmental impact carried out I believe.

The tailings dam holding toxic waste will be held back by a 25 metre wall above farming properties. There is no planned second wall. We have seen only recently the havoc in Hungary when a tailings wall was breached. Rivers in PNG have been ruined by mining companies allowing sludge to leak.

I request that a detailed assessment be made of critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the area affected by the mine operation, including the four km below the mine site. This needs to be carried out over at least one full year to take account of migratory species and those which are identifiable only at specific times of the year.

There also needs to be an assessment of heritage and indigenous sites down stream from the proposed mine.

Helen Scanlon MA, BSc, Dip Ed.  
4 Bellambi St  
Northbridge 2063

## George Mobayed - Dargues Reef Goldmining Project

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**From:** Dan Theman <danielsch222@hotmail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 29/10/2010 4:43 PM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef Goldmining Project

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Dir Sir/Madam,

I would like to voice my objections to the proposed Dargues Reef Goldmining Project 10 0054.

I request that a further assessment be made on the impact of pollution on the local groundwater.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometers below the mine site. This will need to be carried out over a year, as some species are migratory and others such as the endangered powerful owl can only be identified in late winter when they are calling.

There also needs to be an assessment of Indigenous and heritage sites 2 to 6 kilometers downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

We need the groundwater for the plants and animals of Majors Creek.

Please abandon this project!

Thank you,

Daniel Scheuch  
89 Leura Mall, Leura NSW 2780  
0418217068

**George Mobayed - Dargues Reef Goldmine**

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**From:** "Scheuch, Roslynn" <Roslynn.Scheuch@tafensw.edu.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 29/10/2010 11:30 AM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef Goldmine

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Dear Sir

I wish to lodge an objection to the proposed reopening of the Dargues Reef Goldmine at Majors creek near Araluen.

This area has an abundance of wildlife and is currently free of toxic wastes.

I request that a proper survey of the area be undertaken to ensure that the local wildlife and especially threatened or endangered native animals would not be adversely affected by this proposed mining activity.

Sincerely

*Roslynn Scheuch*

*194 Blaxland Road*

*Wentworth Falls*

*NSW 2782*

*AH 47573303*

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*Mob: 0419 407 373*

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**George Mobayed - The reference number 10 0054**

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**From:** "Tony Schnaedelbach" <Tony.Schnaedelbach@philipchun.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 8:54 AM  
**Subject:** The reference number 10 0054

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Tony schnaedelbach

PO Box 580, Healesville VIC 3777

Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

This is not Indonesia! We demand better than this.

Yours sincerely

**Tony Schnaedelbach**  
 Essential Services Consultant



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**George Mobayed - Dargues Reef mining project**

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**From:** "soup" <soup@netspace.net.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 27/10/2010 6:19 PM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef mining project

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Dear Department of Planning

I write in reference to 10 0054, to object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

The Dargues Reef Mine proposes to remove 66.2 megalitres of water per year from the local water table, leading to a drop in ground water levels of between 1.5 and 10.5 metres. This is an extraordinary and devastating amount.

What will happen to plants and animals that rely on the water that will be removed????

I request more time for an assessment of the impacts to wildlife and the environment as a result of this proposed Dargues Reef mining project. I request that other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment must be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, and to allow for variation in rainfall.

I request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This needs at least a full year's cycle to complete as some species are annuals, perennial, migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

My request this based on what I have read on the website and in the Dargue's Reef Environmental Assessment. I ask too, why this assessment has only been made available for such a short time?

Yours sincerely

Monika Schott  
42 Anderson Street  
Werribee 3030

**George Mobayed - Objection to Dargues Reef mining project**

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**From:** Tiffany Schultz <ecoconscious@internode.on.net>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 29/10/2010 2:57 AM  
**Subject:** Objection to Dargues Reef mining project

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Name: Tiffany Schultz  
Address: 5 Weston St, Goodwood SA 5034  
**Reference number 10 0054**

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds  
That it is wrong to sacrifice an area of such ecological value to government subsidized profits of an  
international profit motivated corporate.

no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of  
groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on  
the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the  
Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6  
kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of  
drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for  
variation in rainfall.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered,  
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kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion,  
as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered  
powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they  
are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and  
Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine  
site and the tailings dam.

**Kane Winwood - Online Submission from Stuart Scobie of Eurobodalla Sustainable Devices (object)**

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**From:** Stuart Scobie <info@eurodevices.com.au>  
**To:** Kane Winwood <kane.winwood@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 25/10/2010 9:04 AM  
**Subject:** Online Submission from Stuart Scobie of Eurobodalla Sustainable Devices (object)  
**CC:** <assessments@planning.nsw.gov.au>

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I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down-stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

In addition, this proposal may have a significant effect on water quality further downstream in the Deua National Park riverine corridor and ultimately the drinking water of Moruya and surrounding communities. I implore you to consider greater long term goals such as environment protection and improvement over short term profit and environmental pillage.

Name: Stuart Scobie  
Organisation: Eurobodalla Sustainable Devices

Address:  
2/14 Shelley Rd  
Moruya  
NSW 2537

IP Address: 112-213-213-92.bb.ispone.net.au - 112.213.213.92

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**Kane Winwood**

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## George Mobayed - Dargues Reef mining project

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**From:** Joyce Verhey <[ohs\\_matters@hotmail.com](mailto:ohs_matters@hotmail.com)>  
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**Date:** 26/10/2010 4:25 PM  
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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Regards

Jessica Scott  
Address: 12 Taylor Place, Pennant Hills NSW 2120  
email: [ohs\\_matters@hotmail.com](mailto:ohs_matters@hotmail.com)  
Reference number 10 0055

## George Mobayed - Dargues Reef mining project

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Regards

Steve Scott  
Address: 12 Taylor Place, Pennant Hills NSW 2120  
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**From:** "Scott, Wendy" <WENDY.B.SCOTT@det.nsw.edu.au>  
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**Date:** 25/10/2010 11:51 am  
**Subject:** Darques Reef mining project Reference No. 10 0054

Dear Sir,

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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Wendy Scott  
Baulkham Hills NSW 2153

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## George Mobayed - Opposition to Proposed Gold Mine at Dargues Reef

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**From:** "Lyn Scrymgeour" <timbarra@asitis.net.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 29/10/2010 12:29 PM  
**Subject:** Opposition to Proposed Gold Mine at Dargues Reef

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To: Department of Planning

### **SUBMISSION OPPOSING PROPOSED GOLD MINE AT DARGUES REEF**

**Reference Number 10 0054**

I am writing **to express my opposition** to the proposal of the Dargues Reef Mine to remove 66.2 megalitres of water per year from the local water table.

This action has implications for the fragile ecosystems in the vicinity of the mine site. Our natural heritage is far more precious than gold, and the fact that a threatened species such as powerful owls live in the area is testimony to the quality of the habitat for plants and animals.

Please, stop the mining from going ahead and causing irreversible destruction to our land and its flora and fauna.

Lyn Scrymgeour  
[timbarra@asitis.net.au](mailto:timbarra@asitis.net.au)

**Lyn Scrymgeour**  
**"Timbarra"**  
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**WYNDHAM NSW 2550**

8 Kesh Pass  
Butler, WA, 6036

25/10/2010

Department of Planning NSW  
23-33 Bridge Street  
Sydney, NSW, 2000

**Objection to proposed Dargues Reef Mining Project**

Major Project Application No.: PA 10\_0054

To whom it may concern

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

The fact that the environmental impact assessment has thus far stated that the impact on fauna and flora would be high is a great concern when it does not include the environmental impact of the loss of groundwater.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometers downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometers below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometers downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

It is imperative that a thorough environmental impact assessment be carried out in the areas surrounding the mine site, particularly with regard to the effects on the ecosystem due to decreased ground water levels. Particularly as building a dam will change the ecosystem above and below it, which is a particular concern in areas with endangered fauna and flora in the immediate and surrounding areas.

The mine site which is proposed to have a life span of nine years will provide huge economic gain, but the potentially devastating effects on the environment need to be thoroughly considered prior to the project going ahead as the effects would be largely irreversible.

Yours sincerely,

Keren Segers

"Keren Segers" <keren.segers@gmail.com>



**George Mobayed - Dargues Reef mining project objection**

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**From:** "A Seib" <ankem@westnet.com.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 28/10/2010 11:58 AM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef mining project objection

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Name: Anke Seib  
Address: 85 Bridge Avenue OAK FLATS 2529  
Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has yet been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Yours sincerely  
A Seib

**From:** <kseipel@bigpond.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 25/10/2010 10:48 am  
**Subject:** Reference 10 0054

Name: Kersten Seipel  
Address: PO Box 36513 Winnellie NT 0821  
Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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Yours Sincerely  
Kersten Seipel

**George Mobayed - Dargues Reef Mining Project Submission**

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**From:** Kylie Seldon <kylie.seldon@gmail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 25/10/2010 12:09 PM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef Mining Project Submission

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Name: Kylie Seldon  
Address: 129 Hill St, Muswellbrook, NSW 2333  
Reference number 10 0054

**I STRONGLY OBJECT to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project** on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Sincerely,  
Kylie Seldon

**George Mobayed - Opposition to Dargues Reef mining project**

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**From:** "Bee" <bseth@bigpond.net.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 27/10/2010 7:02 PM  
**Subject:** Opposition to Dargues Reef mining project

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Name: Betty Seth  
Address: 22 Forest Drive, Hampton Qld 4352  
Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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Dept. Planning, NSW Govt.

Deni Sevenoaks  
80 Glenmore Road  
Braidwood NSW 2622

Ref: 10 0054

27.10.10

*I object to the proposed ~~Dangaroo Reef~~ mining project on the grounds that there has been no assessment on the impact on the ecosystems and groundwater beyond the 2 sq km radius of the mine.*

*The Braidwood and environs community must be given more time for answers to the questions raised by the environmental assessment to be investigated.*

*There needs to be test bores 2-6 km downstream from the mine, to assess the impact of drilling on the groundwater over the period of a year, which allows for variation in rainfall.*

*Assessment of indigenous sites as well as heritage sites 2-6 km downstream from the dam needs to be undertaken.*

*It is vital also, that a detailed assessment is made of critically endangered, endangered and threatened fauna and flora, up to at least 4 km from the mine site, over a one year period. This will allow for observation of the effects on migratory species, as well as the endangered powerful owl, whose presence is only obvious during winter.*

*The current EIS, appears to be completely at odds with the safety and health of the local environment and people. You must address the longterm impacts on our environment with much more clarity and honesty.*



*It is quite clear that in the; "community consultation process," vital information was withheld. To give the community just 2 weeks to respond to this information is entirely wrong. I would suggest it is unethical and immoral that governments, bureaucracies and big business can think it is reasonable to hide truths concerning environmental impact, health and safety through allowing endangerment to drinking water and local flora and fauna.*

*I request that you consider the concerns of the local community before allowing this project to go ahead.*

*thankyou*



*DENIS DEVENOR*

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**George Mobayed - objection to Dargues Reef Mining Project**

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**From:** Kim Seymour-Murray <bkjti@bigpond.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 27/10/2010 6:59 AM  
**Subject:** objection to Dargues Reef Mining Project

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Name: Kim Seymour-Murray  
Address: PO Box 86 (Lot 453 Diocesan Rd) Melrose SA 5483  
Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

**George Mobayed - Proposed Dargues Reef mining project**

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**From:** "Chris Shanahan" <t.c.shanahan@hotmail.net.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 11:31 AM  
**Subject:** Proposed Dargues Reef mining project

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Terry Shanahan  
69 Main Street  
Romsey  
Vic. 3434

Reference number 10 0054

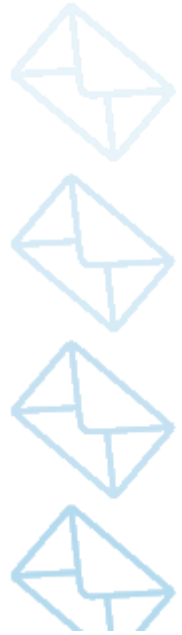
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**George Mobayed - proposed Dargues Reef mining project**

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**From:** "Sandy" <sandyandpete@iprimus.com.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 9:40 PM  
**Subject:** proposed Dargues Reef mining project

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Name: Sandy Shannon  
Address: 47 Fielding Street, Gayndah Qld 4625  
Reference number 10 0054

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Submissions must reach the Department of Planning by close of business November 1, 2010.  
Fax: 9228 6466;  
or email: plan\_ [comment@planning.nsw.gov.au](mailto:comment@planning.nsw.gov.au)

*Sandy Shannon*  
*47 Fielding Street*  
*Gayndah, Qld. 4625*  
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## George Mobayed - Submission reference number 10 0054

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**From:** "Bloomfield" <bloomfield830@bigpond.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 1/11/2010 12:17 PM  
**Subject:** Submission reference number 10 0054

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My name is Wendy Shannon

My address is Kullingrah 310 Western Leg Rd Tarago NSW 2580

The reference number 10 0054

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Regards  
Wendy Shannon

## George Mobayed - Reference Number 10 0054 - Dargues Reef mining project

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**From:** Catherine Sharpe <cathsharpe@hotmail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 2:04 PM  
**Subject:** Reference Number 10 0054 - Dargues Reef mining project

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Name: Catherine Sharpe

Address: PO Box 1045 Pakenham Upper Vic 3810

Reference number 10 0054

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

And finally, what on earth is going on here? This proposal is ridiculous. Where is the environmental concern? This is 2010 isn't it?

I look forward to following this situation and hope for a sensible outcome.

Catherine Sharpe

## Kane Winwood - Fwd: Dargues Reef mining project

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**From:** plan\_comment  
**To:** Kane Winwood  
**Date:** 25/10/2010 3:31 PM  
**Subject:** Fwd: Dargues Reef mining project

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>>> Beryl Shaw <berylshaw@netspace.net.au> 25/10/2010 14:36 >>>

Reference number 10 0054

I strenuously object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

If we don't protect our native animals and trees now, when will we? And who will? We have already lost so much. You need to take notice right now!

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Please treat this matter urgently.

Beryl Shaw

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**George Mobayed - Ref 10 0054**

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**From:** "Anne Shay" <shaya@ceinternet.com.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 27/10/2010 9:56 PM  
**Subject:** Ref 10 0054

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*Dear members of the planning committee,*

*I am very concerned about the proposed Dargues Reef Mining project as no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.*

*It is imperative that more time be given for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.*

*A detailed assessment needs to be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This would need a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.*

*I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam. I look forward to hearing that a thorough assessment is being undertaken.*

*Yours sincerely,  
Anne Shay pbvm.*

*Justice Co-ordinator.  
Presentation Sisters  
100 High St.  
Lismore 2480.*

**George Mobayed - Dargues Reef mining project**

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**From:** Peter Sheehan <peter@petersheehan.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 25/10/2010 9:19 AM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef mining project

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Name: Peter Sheehan  
Address: 9/15 Marlo Rd Cronulla 2230  
Reference number 10 0054

To Whom it may concern

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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Peter Sheehan  
0439995531  
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[www.petersheehan.com](http://www.petersheehan.com)

## George Mobayed - Dargues Reef Mining Project

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**From:** Julie <julie@slowfoodsunshinecoast.org.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 29/10/2010 7:53 AM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef Mining Project

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Julie Shelton

PO Box 1139, Maleny, 4552

Reference number 10 0054

Dear Sir/Madam

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites within a 10 kilometre radius of the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Yours sincerely

Julie Shelton

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**From:** Catherine <catshort@tpg.com.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 1/11/2010 10:23 am  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef Goldmine- reference number 10 0054

To whom it may concern,

I am writing to voice my objection to the proposed Dargues Reef Goldmine. I believe this mine would devastate the flora and fauna of the valley's eco system, through the lowering of groundwater levels. Plants, animals and water courses living and growing there rely on the ground water. PLEASE, think a bit beyond the monetary value of finding gold and look towards a future where the local eco systems can have a better chance to survive the dramatically advancing affects of climate change.

Kind Regards

Catherine Short  
42 Russell Ave  
Faulconbridge 2776

**George Mobayed - FW: dargues reef mining project**

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**From:** Elizabeth silvolli <esilvolli@hotmail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 10:35 AM  
**Subject:** FW: dargues reef mining project

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From: esilvolli@hotmail.com  
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Subject: dargues reef mining project  
Date: Mon, 25 Oct 2010 23:29:55 +0000

Name: Elizabeth Silvolli  
Address: 18 union st bega 2550 nsw  
Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Thankyou

Elizabeth Silvolli



**From:** "Helen Simpson" <hcsimpson1@bigpond.com>  
**To:** <information@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 31/10/2010 7:44 am  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef Goldmine

Dargues Reef Goldmine Reference Number: 10 0054

Hello

I am writing in reference to the above Dargues Reef mining project, I object to this project as it currently stands as I don't believe that adequate assessments have been done as to it's impact on the nearby bushland and wildlife. We are only a short time on this planet and we should leave the world in a better state than the one in which we found it. In these times when we are so radically changing the planet we need to find better alternatives that will not significantly damage and destroy the few remaining places of natural beauty we have left. Please don't approve this project until a solution has been found as to the water usage problem. They should not be using ground water. And until a more effective solution has been found as to the treatment of mine tailings, please, there may be money in mining but our natural heritage is priceless.

From: Helen Simpson  
21 Clissold Street  
Katoomba  
NSW 2780

**George Mobayed - Dargues Reef Goldmine at Majors Creek**

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**From:** Ray Sinclair <raysin@westnet.com.au>  
**To:** plan comment <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 1/11/2010 10:23 AM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef Goldmine at Majors Creek  
**CC:** Heather <heathermcg@westnet.com.au>, Jackie French <jfrench@dragnet.com.au>

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To: the Department of Planning - Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Ray Sinclair,  
PO Box 279 Ashburton 3147  
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**From:** "Carleen Sing" <carleen@ionix.com.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 27/10/2010 7:53 am  
**Subject:** Reference Number 10 0054

Reference Number 10 0054

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing as I wish to register my objection to the proposed Dargues Reef mine at Majors Creek.

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the close proximity of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the area below the mine site. This too will require extended time, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Yours Sincerely,

Carleen Sing

PO Box 1303,  
Kangaroo Flat. VIC 3555

**George Mobayed - Online Submission from Janine singleton (object)**

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**From:** Janine singleton <j9singleton@hotmail.com>  
**To:** George Mobayed <George.Mobayed@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 1/11/2010 10:23 AM  
**Subject:** Online Submission from Janine singleton (object)  
**CC:** <assessments@planning.nsw.gov.au>

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Name: Janine singleton

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IP Address: c220-239-112-136.belrs4.nsw.optusnet.com.au - 220.239.112.136

Submission for Job: #3871 Dargues Reef Gold Project (PA 10\_0054)

[https://majorprojects.onhiive.com/index.pl?action=view\\_job&id=3871](https://majorprojects.onhiive.com/index.pl?action=view_job&id=3871)

Site: #2222 Dargues Reef Mine

[https://majorprojects.onhiive.com/index.pl?action=view\\_site&id=2222](https://majorprojects.onhiive.com/index.pl?action=view_site&id=2222)

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**George Mobayed**

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**George Mobayed - proposed darues reef mine ref no 10 0054**

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**From:** Margaret Skeel <meskeel@hotmail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 1/11/2010 10:23 AM  
**Subject:** proposed darues reef mine ref no 10 0054

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Sincerely,

Margaret Skeel  
Biologist  
2708 Armidale Road  
Grafton 2460  
ph: 66494173

**George Mobayed - Dargues Reef mining project Reference number 10 0054**

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**From:** "Damian Slade" <damianslade@austarnet.com.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 1/11/2010 10:24 AM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef mining project Reference number 10 0054

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Dargues Reef mining project  
Reference number 10 0054

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Damian Slade  
Willalooka Station  
PMB 154 Naracoorte  
SA  
5271

**George Mobayed - 10 0054 Dargues Reef mining project**

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**From:** Kathryn Sly <ksly@hotmail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 27/10/2010 10:48 PM  
**Subject:** 10 0054 Dargues Reef mining project

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Email to: [plan\\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au](mailto:plan_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au)

Name: Kathryn Sly

Address: Caineway Mansion 130 Caine Road Hong Kong

Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Sincerely  
Kathryn Sly

**From:** sharonsmall <sharonsmall@skymesh.com.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 2/11/2010 8:32 pm  
**Subject:** submission - department of planning

Name: Sharon Small

Address: 6192 Bonang Road  
Goongerah Vic 3888

Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Yours sincerely

Sharon Small

**From:** "bsl\_au@optusnet.com.au" <bsl\_au@optusnet.com.au>  
**To:** <"plan\_ comment"@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 25/10/2010 3:36 pm  
**Subject:** Reference number 10 0054

To whom it may concern,

I am writing today to voice my objection to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine. I formally request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

regards

Amanda Smith

13 Harrington St  
Altona Victoria 3018  
(03)92555458

Reference number 10 0054

## George Mobayed - Darques Reef Mining Project

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**From:** Jenny <aidan@alphalink.com.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 11:00 PM  
**Subject:** Darques Reef Mining Project

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Jenny Smith  
11 Troedel Street  
Pearcedale VIC 3912

Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometers downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometers below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometers downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Yours faithfully,

Jenny I. Smith



**George Mobayed - Dargues Reef**

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**From:** Keith Smith <keithvincentsmith@gmail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 3:54 PM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef

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Dr. Keith Vincent Smith  
Reference number 10 0054  
24 Robert Street  
Artarmon NSW 2064

**Dargues Reef mining project**

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

**George Mobayed - Reference number 10 0054**

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**From:** "Rob & Carol Smith-Roberts" <rsmithroberts@oosw.com.au>  
**To:** "nsw planing" <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 10:04 PM  
**Subject:** Reference number 10 0054  
**CC:** "Carol SR" <Carol.Javes@cgs.act.edu.au>

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We object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that there is insufficient evidence that adequate measures will be taken to avoid possible flood / disaster situations caused by unforeseen storm or other events. For example, to mitigate the risk of a failure of the main dam wall, a secondary wall should be constructed - this does not appear in the proposal. There is also insufficient consideration given to maintaining above ground and below ground water quality in the area.

We are not opposed to mining and we understand the history of the area and its dependence on mining. However, this is the 21<sup>st</sup> century and we can now do this properly and carefully and not take silly risks. The livelihood of the people in the area is important to us BUT so is the environment including the nearby fauna and flora.

From: R Smith-Roberts & C H Javes  
91 Red Hill Rd  
Majors Creek, NSW  
Mobile: 0411 600656

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**George Mobayed - Reference number 10 0054**

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**From:** "R&C Sommer" <rc\_sommer@bigpond.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 1:47 AM  
**Subject:** Reference number 10 0054

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Colleen Sommer  
Colo Vale NSW 2575  
[rc\\_sommer@bigpond.com](mailto:rc_sommer@bigpond.com)

I was horrified to learn of the proposed Dargues Reef mining project. I object to this project on the grounds that no assessment has been made regarding the impact on the loss of groundwater further than the two square kilometer radius from the mine site. Neither has an assessment been made on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

More time is required for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated. This should include test bores two to six kilometres downstream from the mine site to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over full year to allow for rainfall variation.

It is essential that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the 4 kilometres below the mine site. A full year is necessary due to some species being migratory. The endangered powerful owl can only be easily identified in late winter when they are looking for mates by calling.

Finally, a detailed assessment needs to be made of heritage and indigenous sites two to six kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and tailings dam.

## George Mobayed - Submission re Dargues Reef mining project 10 0054

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**From:** "S & T Sommer" <ssommer@aapt.net.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 28/10/2010 4:01 PM  
**Subject:** Submission re Dargues Reef mining project 10 0054

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Dr Steven Sommer

6 Coronado crt Highton Vic 3216

Reference number 10 0054

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Yours sincerely,

Dr Steven Sommer

6 Coronado crt Highton Vic 3216

## George Mobayed - Objection to the proposed Dargues Reef Mining Project

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**From:** "Carol South" <carolsouth@bigpond.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 3:54 PM  
**Subject:** Objection to the proposed Dargues Reef Mining Project

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Reference number 10 0054

Dear Sir/Madam

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Yours faithfully

Carol South

"Langunya"

6411 Gwydir Highway

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**George Mobayed - ref number 100054**

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**From:** "Elizabeth Sparks" <ejsparks@optusnet.com.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 3:15 PM  
**Subject:** ref number 100054

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Elizabeth Sparks

9 Lily St

Hamlyn Heights, 3215

Karen Spedding

118 Temperley St, Nicholls ACT 2913

Reference # 10 0054

RE: the proposed Dargues Reef Goldmine at Majors Creek

I would like to register my opposition to the proposed Dargues Reef Mine at Majors creek, NSW.

In 2010 when we are all acutely aware of global warming, the loss of forests due to stripping the land and other environmental disasters we have created, it seems ludicrous that the Government would allow the building of a mine which would stand as a threat to so many species ( both plant and animal, and many endangered) let alone the beautiful valley where it is proposed.

The fact that it is so close to land that is categorized as Nature Reserve and National Park should send up alarm bells immediately. If we had the foresight to protect this land area once why would the Government now place it in harm's way? Hopefully it is not a financial decision...that would prove to be an injustice to our future and to our children's futures.

The Dargues Reef Mine proposes to remove 66.2 megalitres of water per year from the local water table, leading to a drop in ground water levels of between 1.5 and 10.5 metres. This is an extraordinary and devastating amount.

Plants take their moisture from groundwater. Without it, they die.  
Animals drink from springs, fed by groundwater. Without it, they die.  
The result of taking this amount of water from an ecosystem will mean that it, too, will die.

No studies have been done for the Environmental Assessment on how taking this amount of water will affect the land beyond the actual mine site. There is no mention of the endangered, critically endangered and threatened species in the gorge below the mine, ranging from the Powerful Owl to the critically endangered eucalyptus *Kartsoffina*.

The mine proposal also includes a 25 metre high tailings dam covering nine hectares. It will contain a toxic sludge that, if the walls break, will sweep everything before it, from houses to every plant and creature in the valley. 'World's best practice' is to have a secondary wall in case the first fails. This is not the case at the proposed Dargues Reef mine.

If this mine goes ahead the animals and plants of the valley may die. if you feel the need to preserve endangered species, or an area of such rich and varied habitat please consider all submissions...I am sure there are many more who are opposed to the threat of this mine.

Sincerely,

Karen Spedding

**From:** John <delrose22@bigpond.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 30/10/2010 10:35 am  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef mining project

John Spencer  
3769 Armidale Rd  
Nymboida, NSW, 2460

Reference number 10 0054

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

John Spencer  
3769 Armidale Rd.  
Nymboida NSW 2460



**George Mobayed - Comment on Proposed Mine**

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**From:** emma st clair ford <emmastclair@live.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 28/10/2010 12:46 PM  
**Subject:** Comment on Proposed Mine

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Name: Emma St Clair Ford  
Address: Po Box 179 Margaret River WA 6285  
Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometers down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

In WA we have a proposed Coal Mine near our aquifers, this concern above is echoed in our own region.

Kind regards

Emma St Clair Ford

## George Mobayed - Reference number 10 0054 Appalling news re proposed Dargues ReefGoldmine at Majors Creek

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**From:** "Karen Stace" <Karen.Stace@macquarie.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 1/11/2010 2:44 PM  
**Subject:** Reference number 10 0054 Appalling news re proposed Dargues ReefGoldmine at Majors Creek

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Name: Karen Stace  
 Address: 158 Wyndora Avenue; Freshwater NSW 2096

### Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

This is another example of buraecracy gon emad - can't we pause for a moment and think forward. How are flora and fauna to survive? And if they do not what will be the impact on the human race. Please pause this project until requisite due diligenec is done & questions have been answered in a way that plans for the future.

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**George Mobayed - Re: Dargues Reef Mining Project**

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**From:** "Vicki Stanton" <vicki@stanton.id.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 28/10/2010 3:21 PM  
**Subject:** Re: Dargues Reef Mining Project

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Please find below my objection to the Dargues Reef Mining Project:

Name: Vicki Stanton

Address: 8 Godolphin St, Bulli NSW 2516

Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine. I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Yours sincerely,

Vicki Stanton

**George Mobayed - Reference number 10 0054**

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**From:** "Sonya Stanvic" <sonyastanvic@internode.on.net>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 7:00 PM  
**Subject:** Reference number 10 0054

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Sonya Stanvic  
Blue Mountains NSW

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Sonya Stanvic

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**George Mobayed - I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project**

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**From:** "DELWYNE" <del12@tpg.com.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 27/10/2010 6:14 PM  
**Subject:** I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project

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Name: Delwyne Stephens  
Address: 17 Tadjo Close, Croydon North Vic 3136  
Reference number 10 0054

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Regards,

Delwyne Stephens

Kim Stevenson  
23 Black fellows Lake Rd  
Kalaru NSW 2550

Department of Planning  
Fax: 9228 6466

To whom it may concern  
**REF: 10 0054**

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

I strongly urge you to consider the above points and stop this proposal.



Kim Stevenson

## George Mobayed - Darques Reef mining Project

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**From:** "Stewart Family" <apjt321@tpg.com.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 27/10/2010 8:45 PM  
**Subject:** Darques Reef mining Project

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Name: A Stewart  
Address: Box 321 Balhannah 5242  
Reference number 10 0054

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Kind regards

A Stewart

## George Mobayed - Dargues Reef mining project

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**From:** danny stewart <dagstewart@hotmail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 1/11/2010 12:58 PM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef mining project

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mail to: plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au

Name: Dr. Daniel Stewart (Previously Medical Officer to Braidwood and surrounding area.)

Address: 4/200 Railway Street, Woy Woy

Reference number 10 0054

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

I request on-going monitoring of flora and fauna during operation of the mine and during the site rehabilitation.

I request motor vehicle accident monitoring specifically on the small roads around Araluen as the roads are not presently adequate to carry heavy mining traffic and the increased passenger vehicle traffic associated with the expected workforce. It should be a condition of continued mining that there is no increase in Motor Vehicle accidents in the specific area.

Yours Sincerely,  
Dr Daniel A.G. Stewart



## George Mobayed - Objection to the planned development ref 10 0054

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**From:** EmmJ <emmajean@gmail.com>  
**To:** "plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au" <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 25/10/2010 1:35 PM  
**Subject:** Objection to the planned development ref 10 0054

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Name: Emma-Jean Stewart

Address: 5 Flecker pl, Florey  
Reference number 10 0054

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Sincerely,  
Emma-Jean

0438822834

Sent from my iPhone

**George Mobayed - Dargues Reef mining project**

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**From:** "Jo and Duncan Stewart" <jste6306@bigpond.net.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 5:37 PM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef mining project

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I am writing to voice my objection to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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How can we support a government who does nothing to protect and support the Australian Native Wildlife. Australia currently holds the world record of the most extinct species in the last 200 years. This is not a record any country should be proud of let alone continue to contribute towards.

Your consideration to my request is appreciated.

Johann Stewart (Mrs.)  
Wild life carer

## George Mobayed - objection to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project

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**From:** "Helen Stone" <bluewren2@uqconnect.net>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 4:04 PM  
**Subject:** objection to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project

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Email to: plan\_ [comment@planning.nsw.gov.au](mailto:comment@planning.nsw.gov.au)  
Name: Helen Stone  
Address: 3 Canaipa Court, Victoria Point, Q 4165  
Reference number 10 0054

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and tailings dam.

The environment is too precious to risk and we must think of the legacy we will be leaving generations to follow.

## George Mobayed - Dargues Reef mining project

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**From:** emma st clair ford <emmastclair@live.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 28/10/2010 9:04 PM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef mining project

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Reference : 10 0054

To NSW planning commission,

I object to the Dargues Reef mining proposal because it would threaten the continued existence of many endangered species through the excessive use of groundwater combined with a toxic tailings dam which would not, under present requirements, be constructed to worlds best practice. Do you want a repeat of the recent spill in Hungary? You are in a position to take precautions, and surely that is your responsibility, to protect our flora & fauna and to consider the wishes of people who live there. I know it must be annoying when people question your 'rubber stamp' approach to mining approvals, but that is what I am doing. We can sit back and watch our environment get mined out from under us, or we can start saying no to this insatiable corporate greed which will surely kill us all if it is not stopped. There is an opportunity here to make a stand for the future survival of life as we know it. Gold is not a survival issue. Our environment is.

If a company wants our precious resources, they should be made to do so WITHOUT harming the environment. If they can't do this then your job is to say NO. Otherwise, you should resign and let someone who understands the long term implications of their decisions do the job. You are here to implement the wishes of the people, not the wishes of corporate giants. Of course they don't want to spend extra money to do things properly. Your job is to force them to or say no. Otherwise, one might question exactly what you are planning for, a desert perhaps?

Sincerely,

Ed Stratford.  
PO box 82, Nannup WA, 6275

**George Mobayed - FW: Dargues Reef mining project**

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**From:** Edward Stratford <edstratford@hotmail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 2/11/2010 8:54 AM  
**Subject:** FW: Dargues Reef mining project

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From: emmastclair@live.com  
To: plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au  
Subject: Dargues Reef mining project  
Date: Thu, 28 Oct 2010 20:33:54 +1030

Reference : 10 0054

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**George Mobayed - Dargues Reef Mine**

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**From:** "Stretton, Matthew" <Matthew.Stretton@ed.act.edu.au>  
**To:** "plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au" <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 29/10/2010 9:29 AM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef Mine

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Reference number 10 0054

Matthew Stretton  
60 Bonython St  
Downer ACT 2602

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing to you to register my opposition to the proposed Dargues Reef mine. Based on my initial investigations into the project, I am concerned about the amount of groundwater to be taken from the area and the affects this will have on the surrounding ecosystem. I have travelled frequently through the Araluen Valley and am consistently struck by the beauty and unique environment that it represents. Any significant damage to this precious environment will be a serious loss to our local area and future generations.

I understand that the mine has the potential to bring many jobs to the local economy and am in strong favour of such community-building opportunities. Perhaps there needs to be further environmental impact studies done in regards to the amount of water being used in the mine and also the potential effects of a break in the tailings dam wall. If best practice in mine construction of this kind is to build a second, emergency wall, then given the uniqueness of the environment and community feeling on this issue – doesn't this present a unique opportunity for the builders to create a truly industry-leading example of environmentally aware and community supported mining?

Please take the time to reconsider the impacts of the current project as it stands and reflect on other possible options.

Kind Regards,

Matthew Stretton

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## George Mobayed - Dargues Reef Mining Project

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**From:** "Rosey Stronach" <roseystronach@bigpond.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 29/10/2010 11:08 AM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef Mining Project

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Rosey Stronach  
31 Macarthur Street  
Taralga NSW 2580  
Reference number 10 0054

Dear Sir/Madam,

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Kind regards

Rosey Stronach

**George Mobayed - Ref 10 0054**

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**From:** "Clare Stroud" <CStroud@mundaringartscentre.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 27/10/2010 5:28 PM  
**Subject:** Ref 10 0054

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Clare Stroud  
13 Stone Crescent  
Darlington WA 6070  
Reference number 10 0054

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Yours sincerely

Clare Stroud



**George Mobayed - Online Submission from Samantha Struthers (object)**

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**From:** Samantha Struthers <millais@iinet.net.au>  
**To:** George Mobayed <George.Mobayed@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 29/10/2010 11:42 AM  
**Subject:** Online Submission from Samantha Struthers (object)  
**CC:** <assessments@planning.nsw.gov.au>

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Name: Samantha Struthers

Address:  
11/58 Dora Street  
Hurstville

IP Address: 210-84-3-190.dyn.iinet.net.au - 210.84.3.190

Submission for Job: #3871 Dargues Reef Gold Project (PA 10\_0054)  
[https://majorprojects.onhiive.com/index.pl?action=view\\_job&id=3871](https://majorprojects.onhiive.com/index.pl?action=view_job&id=3871)

Site: #2222 Dargues Reef Mine  
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Planner - Mining & Industry Projects

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## Kane Winwood - Online Submission from Wilma Stuart (object)

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**From:** Wilma Stuart <merl@shoalhaven.net.au>  
**To:** Kane Winwood <kane.winwood@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 25/10/2010 10:05 PM  
**Subject:** Online Submission from Wilma Stuart (object)  
**CC:** <assessments@planning.nsw.gov.au>

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I strongly object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine

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Once our endangered fauna & flora are gone they are gone forever and are much more important than a short term mining enterprise.

W M Stuart

Name: Wilma Stuart

Address:  
393 Mt Darragh Road  
Lochiel NSW 2549

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**Kane Winwood**

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**George Mobayed - Reference number 10 0054**

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**From:** Viravan Stuck <vstuck@hotmail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 1/11/2010 10:22 AM  
**Subject:** Reference number 10 0054

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Yours sincerely,

*Viravan Stuck*

Viravan Stuck

## Kane Winwood - Proposed Dargues Reef Goldmine at Majors Creek

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**From:** Rwth Stuckey <R.Stuckey@latrobe.edu.au>  
**To:** "plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au" <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 3/11/2010 8:24 AM  
**Subject:** Proposed Dargues Reef Goldmine at Majors Creek

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Your consideration of this matter is urgently requested,

Regards, Rwth.

Dr. Rwth Stuckey

(NB. Usually Wednesday to Friday only.)

Lecturer, School of Occupational Therapy, LaTrobe University,

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George Mobayed  
NSW Department of Planning  
23-33 Bridge Street,  
Sydney NSW 2000

**RE: Environmental Assessment for the Dargues Reef Gold Project (PA 10\_0054).**

Please accept my submission in response to the Environmental Assessment for the Dargues Reef Gold Project (PA 10\_0054). I am responding as a local resident. I have grave concerns primarily around groundwater, noise generation, reagent management and the health and safety of potential mine staff. I believe the scale of the operation proposed by Big Island Mining is unsustainable and unsuitable to this region. As I don't have the time to respond to all sections I have limited my attention to notice and reagent management concerns.

**Noise**

- The Report by the Specialist Consultant on Noise 'Spectrum' declares that:

*The main finding from the assessment was that targeted noise attenuation measures would need to be applied to several major noise sources in order for the noise criteria to be achieved.*

**Whilst Big Island Mining has implemented the measures recommended by the Spectrum report, the report by Spectrum does not comply with the community concerns about noise – particularly about operation phase noise in the night-time.**

- The proponent uses terms used to define compliance in noise levels that are based on the 35db 'acceptable standard'. **The residents of Majors Creek have declared that the acceptable level of noise in the night time (7pm to 6am) is zero.** I am in complete support of the right of the community to maintain the current ambience of their community as they are accustomed. The value of quiet is very high to people living in the area – and has significant importance to those who have bought property in the area.
- With regard to 4.2.7 monitoring of sound compliance the plan to undertake quarterly monitoring of noise compliance in the first two years is vastly insufficient given the degree of concern with noise in the human community. **Quarterly reporting of sound compliance is not sufficient.** It needs to be a far more sophisticated and responsive process to be capable of adequately respecting community concerns.
- The specialist report into noise has declared that targeted noise attenuation measures need to be applied to several major noise sources – therefore the risk that noise 'compliance' will not be achieved and that non project related residence will suffer anything from irritation and nuisance to constant sleep disturbance strongly suggests that **noise monitoring needs to be far more comprehensive, regular and responsive.**
- I suggest that the details of the noise monitoring process need to be made public (for example – over what time period will data be collected/what kind of data will be collected)
- The proponent (Big Island Mining) has stated that:

*'Suitable monitoring locations may include R107, R31, R30, R27 and R34 which are the closest locations surrounding the Project Site and compliance at these locations would imply compliance at more distant receivers.'* (section 4.2.7 pg 44)

I propose that compliance at these locations does not constitute compliance at more distant receivers for two reasons.

1) The use of the word compliance is coming from the proponents own interpretation of what is 'nominated intrusiveness noise criteria (35dB(A)). The community's assertion of what is considered noise compliance with their needs – ZERO noise in nighttime hours being emitted from the mine constitutes compliance.

2) It is *not* reasonable to assert that if noise levels are 'in compliance' in close proximity to the site that they will be necessarily in compliance at further distances. Echoes and bouncing of sound are well known phenomena and must be taken into account when measuring the impacts of noise. Opportunity must be given to a far wider section of the community to respond to probable noise generated by mining activities. Noise monitoring must be done at regular intervals emanating outwards from the mine AND any noise complaints by the community must be investigated up to 20km away.

- It is also unacceptable that the results of noise monitoring be published only in the mines annual report. **The publication of results of noise monitoring should be made public in real time.** Just as a weather station is able to make real time assessments and reports on climate – noise monitoring stations should be equally as mechanised and therefore inherently independent and open to review at any time by those affected by the noise.
- It is unacceptable to state that a *Noise and Vibration Monitoring Program* will be implemented in consultation with DECCW and the community prior to commencement of operations. **The noise management plan needs to be thoroughly reviewed and made acceptable to the community within a 5km radius BEFORE the approval of mining operations. If the plan does not meet community approval then operations that produce any noise during night-time hours MUST NOT OCCUR.**

- Continuous sound disturbance vs. short term sound disturbance

The assertion that the expected noise generated from the mine will be no greater than general rural noises with insects is also problematic. A person listening to chainsaws or lawnmowers or even insects can reasonably expect the noise to end in the short term. Therefore their tolerance to the particular sound is increased. The operational background noise of a mine is continuous – therefore the intrusiveness of the noise is far greater and the tolerance to the background noise is far lower. Continuous low level noise is not acceptable by the community and whilst they accept that noise associated with the business of the mine will be audible in daylight hours – assurance must be granted that ZERO noise will be emitted from the mine sight in night time hours.

- The report by Spectrum acoustics does not adequately measure the true impact of noise generated by the operational mine in the surrounding area. The Spectrum report is based on data that was collected in only two residences in March, 2010.
- Lack of clarity in the report to adequately explain potential real noise disturbance  
It is unreasonable to expect that residences be able to relate their concerns and their personal opinion about what noise is considered 'intrusive' or 'sleep disturbing' on the basis of an obscure figure of 35db.

## Reagent Management.

- Section 2.6.6 of the proponents report is alarmingly short on detail about the substantial risks involved with the transportation, use, mixing, storage and tallings management of the floatation reagent Potassium Amyl Xanthate (PAX). Consequently the detail on how the proponent intends on managing this risk is also notably lacking.
- Of all of the xanthates, PAX is known to be the least selective and the strongest. This is not particularly important given that the National Industrial Chemicals Notification Assessment Scheme (NICNAS), an Australian government scheme established in 1990, declares in its 'Priority Existing Chemical Assessment Reports PEC No. 5 on Sodium Ethyl Xanthate' that: ([http://www.nicnas.gov.au/publications/car/pec/pec5/summary\\_report.asp](http://www.nicnas.gov.au/publications/car/pec/pec5/summary_report.asp))

*'The uses, adverse health effects and release of carbon disulphide and its associated hazards are similar to all xanthates. The recommendations arising from the assessment of sodium ethyl xanthate would therefore be appropriate to all xanthates.'*

- The National Industrial Chemicals Notification Assessment Scheme (NICNAS) report into xanthate clearly states (Chapter Title **Hazard assessment Animal toxicological data paragraph 1**) that *limited human health effects information was available for assessment*. It also reports that the kidneys, liver and central nervous system of a variety of test animals produced adverse effects after a 30 day trial relating to *inhalation* of the substance fumes (Carbon disulphide).
- **Why has the proponent failed to provide sufficient background information in the Environmental Assessment about the stability of Xanthate and the risk of fire and risk to health should the product come into contact with moisture of heat.** Moisture and heat causes decomposition. Decomposition results in the release of Carbon disulphide. When Carbon disulphide is inhaled, it is reported by NICNAS to cause severe adverse reactions in the kidneys, liver and central nervous system of a variety of test animals after a 30 day trial.
- The NICNAS report states that *'residents living in the vicinity of a mine using sodium ethyl xanthate complained of headache, dizziness, nausea and foul odour. Other symptoms reported were eye irritation, sore throat and impaired breathing. The ill effects were reported up to three kilometres from the mine site. The situation was thought to have been aggravated by the weather conditions. Atmospheric monitoring for carbon disulphide showed that the levels were below 10 ppm. Why has the proponent failed to declare the risk and declare the way in which the risk will be managed?'*
- Section 2.6.6 of the Dargues reef environmental assessment generally states that the proponent will be following the MSDS. However the NICNAS reports that after assessing MSDS notes (the xanthates are imported material – from the Balkans, China and Africa among other places). They found that there were numerous inadequacies not least of which was that *summary of the health effects had general statements with no supporting data*; hence, the notion that following the MSDS will be enough does not constitute due diligence with regard to the management of this chemical.
- Transport of the Chemical: 2.6.6 states that the PAX will be delivered in 25kg bags. Given that there have been numerous accidents with the transport of xanthates (see Table 2) and that the product is known to be volatile (combustible and degrades into a toxic gas

under heat and moisture) – I find it contrary to best practice (and common care and sense) to transport the reagent in bags. Refer to Table 1 from the NICNAS report

**Table 1: Packaging recommendations from the 'Priority Existing Chemical Assessment Reports PEC No. 5 on Sodium Ethyl Xanthate'**

([http://www.nicnas.gov.au/publications/car/pec/pec5/summary\\_report.asp](http://www.nicnas.gov.au/publications/car/pec/pec5/summary_report.asp))

#### **Packaging**

According to the ADG Code, xanthates are assigned to class 4.3, that is, substances which in contact with water emit flammable gases, and Packaging Group II. Under ADG Code Class 4, substances may be packaged by any suitable method, provided that the requirements of paragraph 5.9.4 are met. According to paragraph 5.9.4, if packed in drums, then the removable head type may be used and the chemical should be packaged under an inert dry gas in a hermetically sealed container.

At least four of the incidents reported over the last two years have revealed deficiencies in packaging. Specific problems which have been encountered with the packaging are:

- the lids of drums working loose during transportation and carbon disulphide given off; and
- carbon disulphide release from bulker bags during transportation and storage.

These packaging problems led to the hospitalisation of several workers and in one incident the serious threat of fire to persons and property. The incidents highlight the need for a thorough investigation of packaging and in particular whether packaging meets the requirements of the ADG Code and, if so, whether there is need for change in the requirements.

**Table 2: Some of the accidents involving xanthates in Australia**

- *In January 1994 a trial shipment of sodium ethyl xanthate packaged in 700 kg plastic bulker bags caught fire in the storage area at a mining site. The fire spread rapidly and three operations personnel and one fireman were affected by fume inhalation and hospitalised overnight. Most of the bulk sodium ethyl xanthate was severely affected by fire.*

*The fire was observed to spread quickly from bag to bag, whereas only one drum containing sodium ethyl xanthate in the area caught fire. This highlights a major problem with the use of bulker bags in contrast to drums. The material continued to reignite and was disposed of immediately.*

- *in Alice Springs in May 1993 there was a PAX chemical leak at the railway station. Six workers were hospitalised after inhalation of toxic fumes and 100 people were evacuated. The cargo consisted of 56 drums of sodium ethyl xanthate. Some of the drums had lost their lids and the inner plastic lining had ripped due to the inferior quality of the packaging*



*and mechanical damage*

- The West Australian Department of Minerals and Energy Summary of Accident Reports (1994) states that *two intermediate bulk containers (IBC) of PAX were found smouldering during testing...testing was being done to determine the stability of the PAX following a fire involving the substance at its manufacturing plant in South Africa..(the IBC's) were found to be unstable..a 500metre exclusion zone was established requiring the evacuation of approximately 100 homes in the downwind direction.*
- NICNAS also reports the incident stating that: *The potassium amyl xanthate was allowed to burn under controlled conditions. The cause of the fire has not been determined. The likely cause may be spontaneous combustion following release of carbon disulphide.*

**Why has the proponent failed to acknowledge the risk of PAX?**

- The material is highly alkaline – posing a serious threat to water quality in the case of an accident during transport, use or storage of the chemical. **What is the risk management procedure to reduce this to an acceptable risk?**
- **How will the material be transported stored mixed monitored and disposed of?**
- **Fire risk. Why has the proponent failed to flag the fire risk of the material?**
- Thorough education of mine workers about the risks involved is required– however documentation and data concerning the health risks of xanthates are limited. Therefore there exists an unquantifiable risk. This should preclude the risk being taken at all in light of the properties of the chemical.
- The NICNAS report notes that there are residual amounts of Xanthates expected in tailings dams – however these dams are often located in remote sites. **The tailings dam at the proposed Dargues reef gold mine is not on a remote site. What are the effects of residual xanthates and their decomposed chemical offspring on the groundwater and in mine dust and vapour?**
- There is no long term data for chronic ill health is available to assess. **How can the proponent ensure the safety of mine workers and develop risk assessment procedures when the data concerning health risks is not available?**
- Little appears to be known about the toxicity of xanthates to birds. The exposure risk to the avian population is through unfettered access to the tailings dam where there will be residues of xanthates. Background literature asserts that it is likely these will be in levels of about 1ppm and not likely to cause harm. However – test data on aquatic organisms has been performed and when amounts of 1ppm were present in flow through conditions in water, mortality was observed. Results were said to be variable which significantly increases the element of risk involved with the use of the substance since that variation reflects the unstable nature of the substance and therefore the likelihood of deceptive

results in testing. Mortality, however, is not deceptive. **Why has the proponent failed to quantify the risk of xanthates to avian and aquatic life?**

- In Chapter 2.2.6 Reagent management, the proponent states that '*All reagents would be stored and used in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions and the relevant Material Safety Data Sheets*'. The NICNAS report concluded that in its assessment of a variety of MSDS's it found that many were below standard. It recommended that 'manufacturers and importers review and upgrade MSDS in accordance with the *National Code of Practice for the Preparation of Material Safety Data Sheets*, and in particular ensure that the:
  - *correct UN number is included in the MSDS;*
  - *information on the use of the chemical is provided;*
  - *hazardous ingredients and their proportions are listed, even if present as impurities;*
  - *supporting data for the health effects are stated. If no human data are available it should be stated. Animal data should be summarised and the species and route of exposure stated; and*
  - *summary of health effects of carbon disulphide is included as exposure is possible during use of xanthates.*

Can the proponent ensure that they will follow these recommendations?

- The proponent's assertion that a Hydrocarbon, Chemical and Reagent management plan *will* be developed and implemented is not good enough. **This plan must be developed now, made public and assessed for its efficacy PRE APPROVAL.**
- 2.7.4 Tailing characteristics does not mention the potential of xanthates to be present – even though the NICNAS suggests it is likely that they will be there in 1ppm or less. This is known to be toxic to aquatic fauna. **Why wasn't this mentioned in the very generalised paragraph on tailings characteristics. Why does the tailings characteristics only focus on net acid generating potential?**
- The proponent may not anticipate a significant adverse environmental impact however this does not assure that there will not be one. Why has the proponent failed to report on the likelihood of flotation agreements with known aquatic toxicity and a general unstable nature being present in the tailing slurry. **How can this slurry be used in paste fill operations when the risk of unacknowledged xanthate presence in tailings may cause a serious environmental risk when in contact with ground water?**

#### 4.8 BUSHFIRE

- In the proponents risk assessment of bushfire they have failed to even mention the fire risk of hazardous chemicals stored onsite – particularly xanthate. Carbon Disulphide is highly flammable.

While the proponents of this project are offering jobs to locals as a boon to the community – it won't be such a promising outlook if people are exposed to toxic chemicals with unknown outcomes as a result. Considering the loss of life through corporate mismanagement in other mining industries (asbestos) it is entirely reasonable for there to be considerable concern.

While it is a relief to know that cyanide will not be used in the mining (although the proponent had considered using cyanide) community concerns with cyanide are based on its reputation for harm. There is little evidence to suggest that the replacement reagent 'Potassium Amyl Xanthate' does not or will not have severe consequences to human and environmental health. Here I refer to the requirements of the precautionary principle. The *National Strategy for Ecologically Sustainable Development* (1992) has the precautionary principle as a "core element" of Ecologically Sustainable Development as does the Inter-Governmental Agreement on the Environment. This agreement is the basis for the current distribution of governmental responsibility for environmental management in Australia.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'F. Sturgiss', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Felicity Sturgiss

5/11/10



**From:** helen le sueur <helenlesueur@yahoo.com.au>  
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**Subject:** Submission re proposed Dargues Reef mining project: Reference number 10 0054

Helen & Andre Le Sueur  
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Dear Sir/Madam

Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Yours sincerely

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Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be fully and independently investigated (including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site) to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of at least one year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

I also request that a detailed independent expert assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site, as well as of currently well-established species that would be affected by a loss of groundwater. This assessment also needs at least a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Lesley Sutherland

**George Mobayed - Dargues Reef Mine Proposal.**

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**From:** "Jane Suttle" <suttledynamos@bigpond.com>  
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C. Jane Suttle,

Ref: 10 0054.

I am shocked and horrified to hear of yet another opportunity to make money for the very few by exploiting resources in our environment.... where the cost is borne by the environment.....the people who live in the area the fauna, flora and water systems.

In the light of the knowledge that systems; the Murry Darling for example, cannot withstand this sort of exploitation, I am amazed that anyone in this day and age would suggest such a thing without proper exploration of the potential damage.

There is no way that it could be claimed that this proposal will not impact on the fauna and flora, some of which is 'threatened', 'endangered' and 'critically endangered', or the water systems, without a full environmental impact study being conducted. This has not been done! I cannot understand such irresponsibility!! This is tantamount to environmental rape!!

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Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Name: Rob Swain  
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**George Mobayed - Dargues Reef mining project Reference number 10 0054**

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Name: Harriett Swift  
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Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

This mine will make life impossible for wombats and other wildlife living in the vicinity.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Yours sincerely  
Harriett Swift

*Harriett Swift PO Box 915 Bega NSW 2550 Australia 02 64923267 0414908997*

## George Mobayed - Objection to proposed Dargues Reef mining project

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**Subject:** Objection to proposed Dargues Reef mining project

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Dear Sir/Madam,

I object to short term gain being prepared to gravely risk long term protection of our environment.

I object to the needs of wildlife (endangered or not) coming second to human gain. I think human beings are swiftly learning that this is the way to ruin of all life on earth (including us). This project is indicative of some human's inability to live within the earth without ruining more and more of it for the other inhabitants (human and other).

Therefore:

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall. (Note that already in some dry years, rainfall in this area is not sufficient to provide adequate water for animals/humans). This issue must be considered – water is a precious resource and it's for everyone – without water, plants will die, animals will die. Of course, humans can always move elsewhere – aren't we lucky!

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

I also object to the lack of a secondary wall at the tailings dam(World's Best Practice) which is missing from this proposal. Will this area end up looking like the villages near Ajka near Budapest, where recently an aluminium plant's reservoir broke, sending toxic sludge over villages and into rivers.

I believe that animals have a right to survival despite the benefits to a few humans from mining gold. I would rather have no gold and have the animals and plants. A long term investment in our environment is far more worthwhile than a short term mining gain for a few.

Please do the right thing and let's evolve from our old ways of trashing the environment and moving onto the next good spot. For the good of the whole planet, we must start to live with our environment as though we mean to be here forever, because some of us do. I'm betting that those wanting to develop the goldmine don't live in the affected area. Of course not!

*Lesley Szetey*

**Kane Winwood - Online Submission from L Takdare of individual (object)**

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I object to the proposed Dargues Reef Mining Project primarily on environmental grounds. Not enough study has been made on the long term effects of a tailings dams covering nine hectre at 25 metre high (the tailings dam break in Hungary a recent example - World Best Practice is to have a secondary dam in place in case the first fails, also, what will be done about the dam when the mine has closed); the impact of taking such a huge amounts of underground water (66.2 megalitres of water per year from the local water table)that plant and animal populations depend on for survival beyond the requisite 2 km. from the mine site. I request more time for independent environmental assessments to be made for beyond the mine's 2 square km radius. This mine (according to the company's proposal will run to 7 years up to 9 years. An affirmative and absolute completion date needs to be binding and not ambiguous. It seems there isn't enough long term study for the greater area surrounding the mine and tailings dam including roads, accommodation, economy, loss of income from tourism, etc. air pollution and noise pollution and the effects of removing 354 000 tonnes of ore (and that's just ore not all the clay and soil and any other terrigenous material discarded in the mining process). All these matters herein are of concern to those who object to this mine.

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Site: #2222 Dargues Reef Mine  
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**George Mobayed - Dargues Reef mining project**

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I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

*Regards,  
Caroline Tandy*

## George Mobayed - Dargues Reef Mining Project

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Name: Diana Targett  
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Reference number 10 0054

I strenuously object to the proposed Dargues Reef Mining Project on the grounds that little or no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

I request that these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment are to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the ground-water over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

I strongly request that a detailed assessment be made of the endangered, critically endangered, and threatened flora and fauna in the 4 kilometres below the mine site over a full calendar year. This will cover the 4 seasons, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I would like to see a detailed assessment be made of Heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down-stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam. Our future generations depend on us to make logical decisions with all relevant data to hand. To date, this appears to be lacking.

*Di Targett*  
*Library technician*

**George Mobayed - Darques Reef mining project - Submission**

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Reference number 10 0054

**Submission**

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Address: Box 1700, 17 Montpellier Street, Healesville Victoria 3777

I object to the proposed Darques Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

**Jan Taylor**  
**Box 1700**  
**17 Montpellier Street**  
**Healesville Vic 3777**

**Every day is a good day.**

**George Mobayed - Save the Wombats**

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**From:** "Susan Taylor" <gs.taylor@bigpond.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 27/10/2010 1:42 PM  
**Subject:** Save the Wombats

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**Possible Submission**

Email to: [plan\\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au](mailto:plan_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au)

Name: Jordan Taylor

Address: 41 Silver Cres Westleigh

Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

**George Mobayed - I object to the Dargues Reef mining project**

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**From:** Katie Taylor <the\_true\_opifex@yahoo.com.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 25/10/2010 10:05 AM  
**Subject:** I object to the Dargues Reef mining project

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Name: Katie J Taylor  
Address: 1 Castor Place, Giralang, ACT, 2617  
Reference number 10 0054

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Yrs, K.J.Taylor



**George Mobayed - dargues mine site**

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**From:** "Lenore Taylor" <vombatus@skymesh.com.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 12:08 PM  
**Subject:** dargues mine site

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**REF NO. 10 0054 DARGUES MINE SITE -**

**Kimberley and Lenore Taylor,  
117 Worlands Road,  
Tanja. NSW. 2550.**

**Dear Sir,**

**OUR FAMILY STRONGLY OBJECTS TO THE DARGUES GOLD MINE SITE.**

**WE KNOW THE AREA WELL AND HAVE MANY CLOSE FRIENDS LIVING AROUND THE MINE AREA.**

**WE OBJECT TO THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT HAVING TOTAL DISREGARD FOR THE  
FLORA AND FAUNA AROUND THE AREA.**

**WE OBJECT TO TAILING DAMS ALTOGETHER.**

**NATIVE ANIMALS DO NOT READ MAPS AND WILL NOT KEEP TO THE 2 KILOMETRE EXCLUSION  
ZONE.**

**THE WATER SHOULD BE FOR THE INHABITANTS OF THAT AREA, HUMAN, ANIMAL OR PLANT.**

**THIS STATE GOVERNMENT IS INTENT ON DESTROYING ANYTHING NATURAL IN NEW SOUTH  
WALES AND OUR FAMILY WILL NOT BE VOTING FOR THEM AT THE NEXT ELECTION OR ANY  
ELECTION BEYOND THAT.**

**YOURS FAITHFULLY,  
THE TAYLOR FAMILY.**

**George Mobayed - The Dargues Reef Mine**

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**From:** "Rose Tempest" <rose.tempest@optusnet.com.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 1/11/2010 10:22 AM  
**Subject:** The Dargues Reef Mine

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Barry Tempest  
1A Sycamore Street  
East Malvern Victoria 3145

**Reference Number 10 0054**

My family objects to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that The Dargues Reef Mine proposes to remove 66.2 megalitres of water per year from the local water table, leading to drop in ground water levels of between 1-5 and 10.5 metres. This is an extraordinary and devastating amount.

Plants take their moisture from groundwater. Without it, they die. Animals drink from springs, fed by groundwater. Without it, they die.

The result of taking this taking this amount of water from an ecosystem will mean that it, too, will die.

The mine proposal also includes a 25 metre high tailing dam to just four kilometres above them and the gorge, covering nine hectares. It will contain a toxic sludge that, if the wakks break will sweep everything before it, from their house to every plant and creature in the valley.

We have been to Jackie French's special valley and have swum in the creek that will be effected. We have walked the fabulous bushland, we have seen the wonderful wombats and other wildlife that are all a very special part of not only Jackie and Bryan's property, but are a special part of Australia that belongs to us all.

**George Mobayed - Plan 10 0054 OBJECTION**

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**From:** wayne van tenac <waynevantenac@gmail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 31/10/2010 8:09 AM  
**Subject:** Plan 10 0054 OBJECTION

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I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

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Submissions must reach the Department of Planning by close of business November 1, 2010.

Fax: 9228 6466; or email: [plan\\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au](mailto:plan_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au)

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**From:** mira terry <mira\_mt@hotmail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 10:54 AM

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Mira Terry  
PO Box 613,  
Windsor NSW 2756

Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Regards,  
Mira Terry

**George Mobayed - FW: Dargues Reef mining project**

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**From:** tony tersteeg <ttersteeg@live.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 27/10/2010 10:35 PM  
**Subject:** FW: Dargues Reef mining project

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Tony Tersteeg  
PO Box 213 Gloucester  
NSW 2422

Reference number 10 0054

Dear Sir/madam

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater. Extensive background data and cumulative impacts must be carried out as a bare minimum before this project is allowed to proceed. It is also imperative that your department recognises that in Australia which is acknowledged as the driest continent in the world outside of Antarctica water is gold and belongs to all Australians. Short sightedness of our predecessors have resulted in rabbits, foxes and cane toads, we need to learn from these mistakes, not replicate them.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna within a four kilometres radius of the mine site. This needs to factor in the migratory and breeding habits of birds such as the endangered powerful owl which can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites within the impact zone of the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Tony Tersteeg

**From:** randy tester <randy\_tes@yahoo.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 30/10/2010 3:54 pm  
**Subject:** re: Dargues Reef Mine

Water is 65% to 90% of YOUR cells; gold is almost absent from your body; cyanide is also hopefully absent from your body. The Murray Darling farmer/ irrigators beating their chests about keeping their water could swap their water allowances for Cortona shares. You can PLAN for the continuation of LIFE or plan for the end of life; so... PLAN!

For the geologists: life produced oxygen; life produced banded ironstone; life produced many sedimentary rocks; life produced oil; life produced gas; life produced coal; life probably doesnt need gold but it does need water.

**From:** dean ruprich <dkr\_adventure@yahoo.com.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 25/10/2010 9:58 pm  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef mining project OBJECTION

Name: Meredith Thomas  
Address: 7 Yeats Drive Delahey Vic. 3037  
Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This requires a minimum of one year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam. Moreover I insist that a secondary retaining wall be built downstream from the proposed tailings dam to contain any spillage due to accident.

I am virulently opposed to the use of groundwater for washing tailings. This is a community resource. Let the operators truck in their own water and take away their waste. Given the current fragile state of the environment I am flabbergasted and angered that such a potential environmental hazard is being given the green light without proper, measured community consultation, or risk assessment beyond a paltry 2 km radius!!! We are all assured that community consultation is the new labour party way forward. So STOP ramming yet another ill-considered project through, and have the courtesy to consult with the people you purport to represent.

**From:** claire thompson <turtlerock2@gmail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 25/10/2010 9:05 pm  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef

To whom it may concern,  
I'm deeply concerned about the environmental impact of the Dargues Reef mining proposal. I would like to register strong objection to this proposal (10 0054),  
sincerely Claire Thompson, 1/65 Hood St Coffs harbour NSW 2450

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Claire Thompson Osteopath  
Tel: 6652 9019 Mob: 0416 209 727



**George Mobayed - Ref 10 0054**

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**From:** Nicole Thompson <nipola@hotmail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 29/10/2010 8:46 AM  
**Subject:** Ref 10 0054

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Nicole Thompson  
67 Best St, Wagga Wagga

To whom it may concern,

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Sincerely  
Nicole Thompson

Tricia Thompson  
P O Box 9091  
WYNDHAM 2550

Phone: 02 64932713  
Email: [tthompson@activ8.net.au](mailto:tthompson@activ8.net.au)

Ref: Dargues Reef Mine  
Reference Number 10 0054

I object to the Dargues Reef Mine Project because the risk of compromising the community, the animals and the plants due to inadequate hydrology studies in the Environment Assessments is too great.

Hydrology Assessment has been grossly neglected and must be broadened. Taking these amounts, 66.2 megalitres of water per year, needs to be studied for its impact beyond the mine area to include surrounds particularly downstream. This would expose the lack knowledge of the mines impact on endangered and threatened species.

I ask for more investigation of the surrounding ecosystems, particularly below the mine and the devastation it is threatening to cause to biodiversity.

Kind regards  
Tricia Thompson

**George Mobayed - Objection to the proposes Dargues Reef Mining Project**

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**From:** Simona TTT <simonatTT@hotmail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 29/10/2010 8:04 PM  
**Subject:** Objection to the proposes Dargues Reef Mining Project

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Simona Thornett  
49 Kevin Ave  
Avalon  
NSW 2107  
Reference number 10 0054

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

**George Mobayed - proposed Dargues Reef mining project**

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**From:** "Deryn Thorpe" <dthorpe@amnet.net.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 3:29 PM  
**Subject:** proposed Dargues Reef mining project

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**Submission**

Name: Deryn Thorpe  
Address: 13 First Ave, Mt Lawley West Australia  
Reference number 10 0054

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

regards Deryn Thorpe

**Deryn Thorpe**  
Journalist, garden PR, marketing consultant

Phone 08 9271 8725  
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13 First Ave  
Mt Lawley WA 6050

**George Mobayed - FW: Reference number: 10 0054 [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]**

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**From:** "Tie, Amanda" <Amanda.Tie@dbcde.gov.au>  
**To:** "information@planning.nsw.gov.au" <information@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 1/11/2010 2:51 PM  
**Subject:** FW: Reference number: 10 0054 [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]

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**Name:** Amanda Tie  
**Address:** 11/99 Canberra Ave, Griffith ACT 2603  
**Reference number:** 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

**Regards**

Amanda Tie

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**From:** "Penelope Tod" <neptod@bigpond.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 8:17 PM  
**Subject:** Reference number 10 0054

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Kind regards

Penelope Tod

501 Stanley River Rd

Maleny Qld 4552

**From:** Tom <tom@fikseralt.net>  
**To:** <"plan\_ comment"@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 2:14 am  
**Subject:** Protest against the Dargues Reef mining project

Hello!

My name is Tom and I currently live outside of Australia. However after reading about the plans to start the Dargues Reef mining project I felt something had to be said.

Therefore I hereby object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine. I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall. I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling. The last request is that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Please do the right thing! Remember we have only one planet earth and we have already seriously damaged it!

Have a wonderful day!  
Peace and love from Tom

**George Mobayed - Submission Ref: 10 0054**

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**From:** "Lorraine Toone" <lorrainetoone@bigpond.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 6:59 PM  
**Subject:** Submission Ref: 10 0054

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From: Lorraine Toone  
10 Zinfandel St  
Margaret River WA

Reference number 10 0054

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Thank you

yours sincerely  
Lorraine Toone



**George Mobayed - Reference number 10 0054 Dargues Reef mining**

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**From:** Alexandra Tolley <atolley08@googlemail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 1/11/2010 10:23 AM  
**Subject:** Reference number 10 0054 Dargues Reef mining

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Name: Alexandra Townsend  
Address: 90 Lindendale Road, Lindendale, NSW 2480  
**Reference number 10 0054**

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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In addition, I request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Sincerely,  
Alexandra Townsend

**George Mobayed - Online Submission from Jacqueline Tranzillo (object)**

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**From:** Jacqueline Tranzillo <jacqtran@yahoo.com>  
**To:** George Mobayed <George.Mobayed@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 29/10/2010 2:44 PM  
**Subject:** Online Submission from Jacqueline Tranzillo (object)  
**CC:** <assessments@planning.nsw.gov.au>

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Re: 10\_0054

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Please don't underestimate the long-term value of natural habitats, compared to the short-term value of this sort of mining project.

Thank you for your consideration.

Jacqueline Tranzillo  
23 Caravan St  
Balwyn, VIC 3103

Name: Jacqueline Tranzillo

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23 Caravan St  
Balwyn, VIC 3103

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Submission for Job: #3871 Dargues Reef Gold Project (PA 10\_0054)  
[https://majorprojects.onhiive.com/index.pl?action=view\\_job&id=3871](https://majorprojects.onhiive.com/index.pl?action=view_job&id=3871)

Site: #2222 Dargues Reef Mine  
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**From:** Nicola Travers <nicola.travers@hotmail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 27/10/2010 11:04 AM

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Name: Nicola Travers  
Address: 38 Anthony Street, Langwarrin  
Reference number 10 0054

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

**George Mobayed - Dargues Reef mining project**

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**From:** "Rod & Laura" <rjt.ljt1@bigpond.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 28/10/2010 1:18 PM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef mining project

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Name: Laura Travis  
Address: 1 Garland Avenue Killarney Vale NSW 2261  
Reference number 10 0054

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Submissions must reach the Department of Planning by close of business November 1, 2010.

Fax: 9228 6466; or email: [plan\\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au](mailto:plan_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au)

**George Mobayed - Ref No 10 0054**

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**From:** Frances Tribe <frances.milne@deakin.edu.au>  
**To:** "plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au" <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 29/10/2010 9:24 AM  
**Subject:** Ref No 10 0054

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**Reference number 10 0054**

Dear Sirs

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Regards

Frances Tribe

C/Deakin University Library, Waurn Ponds Geelong VIC 3217

**George Mobayed - Reference number 10 0054**

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**From:** "Sylvia Triffitt" <sptriff@bigpond.net.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 3:01 PM  
**Subject:** Reference number 10 0054

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Name: Sylvia Triffitt  
Address: 57 Princes Highway Cobargo NSW 2550  
Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Although I have copied this objection from another concerned person it is only because I couldn't put it in better words myself and I agree wholeheartedly.

Please take note of this and all other objections to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project.

Thanks you,

*Sylvia Triffitt*

**George Mobayed - Dargues Reef Mining Project**

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**From:** "Barry dcsi mail" <barrytritt@dcsl.net.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 9/11/2010 10:21 AM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef Mining Project

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Barry Tritt  
Beaconsfield, Vic  
Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Regards

Barry Tritt



## George Mobayed - Dargues Reef mining project

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**From:** "Jackie Tritt" <jackietritt@dcsi.net.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 28/10/2010 1:54 PM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef mining project

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Name: Jackie Tritt  
Address: Beaconsfield, Vic  
Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that, as far as I know, no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Jackie Tritt

**George Mobayed - Re: 10 0054**

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**From:** Robin Trouchet <robsnest@gmail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 2:23 AM  
**Subject:** Re: 10 0054

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I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

It may be that the proposed project is not going to significantly impact groundwater or the fauna and flora of the area but I strongly maintain that the project should not go ahead without a careful assessment - this is the sort of mistake that can in no way be undone. all over Australia it seems that mining projects are being rushed through without a proper understanding of their long-term implications.

Robin Trouchet Mararet /river WA

## George Mobayed - Dargues Reef Mine proposal

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**From:** "Ernie Tucker" <ernietucker@dodo.com.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 27/10/2010 5:52 PM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef Mine proposal

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Please register my opposition to this proposal and my support for the opposition detailed by Jackie French  
Allan Ernest Tucker  
5 Rawson Ave  
QUEENS PARK 2022

## George Mobayed - Submission regarding Dargue's Reef Reference Number 10 0054

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**From:** "Sarah" <sarah@stuck.id.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 29/10/2010 9:08 AM  
**Subject:** Submission regarding Dargue's Reef Reference Number 10 0054

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Name: Sarah Tuckerman  
Address: 4 McCool Place, Gordon ACT 2906  
Email address: [sarah@stuck.id.au](mailto:sarah@stuck.id.au)

Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargue's Reef mining project on the following grounds:

The impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine has not been assessed. The impact of removing so much groundwater is potentially very detrimental to this area. I believe there is a genuine potential threat to the fauna and flora in the area if the project goes ahead. I request that the impact of drilling on the groundwater is further assessed.

There has also not been an assessment on the threatened ecosystems below the mine outside of this two square kilometre radius. I believe a more detailed assessment needs to be made of the endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site.

If best practice is to have a secondary wall to protect the downstream environment from toxic sludge should the first wall fail, this should be included in the proposal, if the project goes ahead, in order to provide adequate protection for the local area. The recent sludge spill in Kolontar, Hungary, has devastated the local waterways there.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

I object to the proposal as it stands.

Thank you for your consideration of this submission.

Sarah Tuckerman

**George Mobayed - Reference 10 0054: Darques Reef mining project**

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**From:** Jacqueline Tudball <JTudball@nps.org.au>  
**To:** "plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au" <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 27/10/2010 3:21 PM  
**Subject:** Reference 10 0054: Darques Reef mining project

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Name: Dr Jacqueline Tudball  
Address: 1/492-500 Elizabeth St Surry Hills 2010  
Reference number 10 0054

**I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project**, for the following reasons:

- no impact assessment has been conducted on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine
- no impact assessment on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine

I therefore make the following requests:

- more time for adequate impact assessments to be conducted – at least one year, to allow for rainfall variation
- more time for questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated
- test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall
- a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory.
- a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Thank you for your attention and consideration.

Kind regards,

Dr Jacqueline Tudball

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**From:** Coral Tulloch <coraltull@bigpond.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 27/10/2010 3:43 pm  
**Subject:** Submission

Reference Number: 10 0054

Name: Coral Tulloch  
Address: The Sheiling, 2 Rifle Range Road, Pontville. Tasmania. 7030

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

**From:** <fitunny@bigpond.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 28/10/2010 10:45 am  
**Subject:** Submission

Reference number 10 0054

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Yours sincerely,  
Fiona Tunnicliff  
Glenlyon, Victoria

**George Mobayed - FW: Dargues Reef mining project; ref 10 0054**

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**From:** "Paul & Karen Tuohy" <pktuohy@optusnet.com.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 9:44 AM  
**Subject:** FW: Dargues Reef mining project; ref 10 0054

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Dear Department of Planning,

As a visitor to Jackie French's property, an admirer of her writings and someone who, like her, cares about the Australian environment, I ask that you give heed to her concerns and submissions in relation to the abovementioned project.

Having visited the area, I don't see how it can afford to part with over 66 megalitres of water per year for the sake of the mine. The tailings dam is also a major cause for concern. Surely the recent tailings dam disaster in Hungary demonstrates the need for abundant caution in relation to the approval, siting and construction of such dams.

Thank you for receiving my submission.

Kind regards,

**Paul Tuohy**

61 2 9639 1068 | 0401 307 817 | [pktuohy@optusnet.com.au](mailto:pktuohy@optusnet.com.au)  
4 Edward Street, Baulkham Hills NSW AUSTRALIA 2153



## George Mobayed - Submission re 10 0054

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**From:** The Crossing <thecrossing@thebegavalley.org.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 27/10/2010 12:16 PM  
**Subject:** Submission re 10 0054

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Name: Annette Turner  
Address: PO Box 72 Bermagui 2546  
Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

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Sincerely

Annette Turner  
Ph: (02) 64933400  
PO Box 72 BERMAGUI 2546

**George Mobayed - I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project**

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**From:** "Melanie Turner" <melbanjo@southernphone.com.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 6:20 PM  
**Subject:** I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project

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Reference number 10 0054

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Melanie Turner  
44 Albatross rd  
Catalina  
NSW 2536

**From:** "Turvey, Barbara" <BARBARA.TURVEY@det.nsw.edu.au>  
**To:** "plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au" <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 28/10/2010 7:44 am  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef mining project Reference number 10 0054

I have only recently become aware of this proposed mining project, and have been appalled by the apparnet lack of consideration for the environment, specifically concerning the groudwater and the ecosystems. .

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

PLEASE give more time, and a thorough analysis of these gravely important issues.

Most concernedly,

Barbara Turvey

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**George Mobayed - Reference number 10 0054**

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**From:** "Wolfgang Uhl" <wolf58@ozemail.com.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 27/10/2010 9:58 PM  
**Subject:** Reference number 10 0054

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Name: Wolfgang Uhl  
Address: 58 Supply Street, Dundas Valley, NSW, 2117

Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project.

The impact on groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine has not been assessed sufficiently.

The same goes for the fragile ecosystems below the mine.

More time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated must be given

especially for test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed site to test the impact of drilling water.

I also request that a detailed assessment of endangered species and threatened flora and fauna will be made.

My concerns are with species like the powerful owl that can be identified in late winter and some migratory species.

This requires at least a one year completion period.

I also request that a detailed assessment will be made of heritage and indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the mine and tailings dam.

Regards,

Wolfgang Uhl

**George Mobayed - Proposed Dagues Reef Mine**

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**From:** Ruth UPHAM <rupha1@eq.edu.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 25/10/2010 9:46 PM  
**Subject:** Proposed Dagues Reef Mine

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Name: Ruth Upham

Address: 44 Blackheath Road, OXLEY QLD 4075

Reference number: 10 0054

Dear Sir/Madam

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the environmental assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Yours sincerely

Ruth Upham

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Ruth Upham  
Classroom Teacher  
Durack State School  
Ph. 3714 2666

**George Mobayed - gold mine at Araluen**

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**From:** "Kerryn Valeontis" <kompost@optusnet.com.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 29/10/2010 10:57 AM  
**Subject:** gold mine at Araluen

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Name: Kerryn Valeontis  
Address: 35 Vanessa Ave Baulkham Hills 2153  
**Reference number 10 0054**

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

**From:** <chuckvan@optusnet.com.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 29/10/2010 4:18 pm  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef mine (proposed)

Charles Anthony Vandenberg  
11 Vicki St. Croydon 3136  
Ref : 10 0054

To whom it may concern,

I object to the proposed Dargues reef mine project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the 2 square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

I request for more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2 - 6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year to allow for variation in rainfall.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered Powerful Owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and indigenous sites 2 - 6 kilometers downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Yours respectfully,

Charles Vandenberg.

**George Mobayed - gold mine at Dargues Reef**

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**From:** Tania VENUTO <tvenu2@eq.edu.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 27/10/2010 1:40 PM  
**Subject:** gold mine at Dargues Reef

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Name: Tania Venuto  
Address: 82 Rosecliffe St Highgate Hill 4101 Q  
Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Tania Venuto  
Primary Science Facilitator  
Ironside State School



## George Mobayed - Dargues Reef mining project

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**From:** "Mazza Verdante" <seedymaz@bigpond.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 30/10/2010 3:18 PM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef mining project

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To NSW Planning Department

Public comments

Reference number 10 0054

To Whom It May Concern,

I am registering an objection to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project, on the grounds there has been no assessment made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

I request more time be provided for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of at least 1 year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

And I request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in at least the 4 Km below the mine site. This also needs at least a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Yours Faithfully

Mazza Verdante  
PO Box 180  
Grafton 2460

**George Mobayed - Dargues Reef mining project**

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**From:** Joyce Verhey <[ohs\\_matters@hotmail.com](mailto:ohs_matters@hotmail.com)>  
**To:** <[plan\\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au](mailto:plan_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au)>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 4:21 PM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef mining project

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To whom it may concern:

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Regards

Joyce Verhey

Address: 12 Taylor Place, Pennant Hills NSW 2120

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Reference number 10 0054

**George Mobayed - Reference number 10 0054**

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**From:** "Vyt Vilkaitis" <vvv0001@tpg.com.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 9:01 PM  
**Subject:** Reference number 10 0054

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Name: Vyt Vilkaitis  
Address: 85 Darwinia Terrace, ACT, 2611

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine site.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall and valid stratification of analysis.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered or threatened flora and fauna in the area around the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Thankyou for you time and ensuring the environment is considered in due course in supporting the development of Australia.

Vyt

**George Mobayed - Reference number 10 0054**

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**From:** Trish Vincent <trishvincent@yahoo.com.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 28/10/2010 10:22 AM  
**Subject:** Reference number 10 0054

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Dear Sir/Madam

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Thanking you for your cooperation,

Patricia Vincent  
8 Victoria Street  
Katoomba NSW 2780

**George Mobayed - FW: Objection against the proposed Dargues Reef miniong project**

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**From:** "john vink" <jwvink@optusnet.com.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 25/10/2010 7:53 PM  
**Subject:** FW: Objection against the proposed Dargues Reef miniong project

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Name: John and Donna Vink  
Address: 47 Harris Street, Hawthorne, Qld 4171  
Reference number 10 0054

We strongly object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

We request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

We also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

We also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

We are saddened by the destruction of our country and the fact that, little by little our natural environment/ native fauna and flora and heritage are being treated with such contempt, if this mine is allowed to go ahead. One shudders to think about the natural heritage we are leaving our future generations.

We respectfully ask that you show common sense and intelligence and decline the application for this proposed mine.

Yours sincerely  
John and Donna Vink

**George Mobayed - mining objection**

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**From:** Maria Visco <mrsbiskit@gmail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 29/10/2010 10:36 PM  
**Subject:** mining objection

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Name: Maria Visco  
Address: 90 Lindendale Rd. Lindendale N.S.W. 2480  
Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

## George Mobayed - Dargues Reef mining project

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**From:** "Maria Wadley" <maria@parklanenursery.com.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 28/10/2010 2:44 PM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef mining project

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Name: Maria Wadley  
Address: 8 Moira Court Wangaratta, Vic, 3677  
**Reference number 10 0054**

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Maria Wadley  
Nursery Supervisor  
95 Park Lane  
Wangaratta 3677  
03 57216955



## George Mobayed - Reference number 10 0054 Dargues Mining Project

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**From:** Linda Walding <lindawalding@yahoo.com.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 30/10/2010 9:39 AM  
**Subject:** Reference number 10 0054 Dargues Mining Project

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Linda Walding  
69 Summit Street  
Sheldon Qld 4157  
Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

To Whom It May Concern:

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Linda Walding.



Name: Dr Richard Walding  
Address: 69 Summit Street Sheldon Qld 4157  
Reference number 10 0054

I am concerned about the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater at Spring Creek on the animals there. It appears that the flora have been considered given the statement in the report (13.9.2):

Conversely any groundwater dependent flora or fauna communities associated with the spring

on Spring Creek will be impacted by the spring going dry during the mining period, and for up

to 3 years post mining (see Section 13.10). It is noted, however, that the Ecology Assessment states that this section of Spring Creek contains primarily regenerating wattles, disturbed land and Ribbon Gum – Snow Gum grassy open forest.

Unless I have misread the report (and it is quite impenetrable to the public) it appears that animals do not get a mention anywhere in the report despite planning legislation seemingly directed at preserving ecosystems (and not just the flora). I object to approval being granted until this matter is considered. I request more time for this question to be investigated.

Sincerely,  
Conversely any groundwater dependent flora or fauna communities associated with the spring on Spring Creek will be impacted by the spring going dry during the mining period, and for up to 3 years post mining (see Section 13.10). It is noted, however, that the Ecology Assessment states that this section of Spring Creek contains primarily regenerating wattles, disturbed land and Ribbon Gum – Snow Gum grassy open forest

**Dr. Richard Walding**

Research Fellow - School of Science  
School of Education & Professional Studies  
Lecturer: Bangladesh TQI Secondary Education Project  
Tutor: Senior Physics  
Griffith University, Brisbane, Australia  
Phone: (H) 7 3206 4976

**George Mobayed - Dargues Reef mining project: Ref 10 0054**

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**From:** Adam Walker <adam.n.walker@googlemail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 28/10/2010 10:39 AM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef mining project: Ref 10 0054

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Dear Sir/Madam

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

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Adam Walker  
46 Wentworth St  
Dover Heights  
NSW  
2030

## George Mobayed - Reference number 10 0054 - Dargues Reef Mining Project

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**From:** Andrea Walker <andywalker@internode.on.net>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 29/10/2010 11:05 AM  
**Subject:** Reference number 10 0054 - Dargues Reef Mining Project

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Dear Sir/Madam

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Yours faithfully

Andrea Walker  
27 Buntine Cres, Isaacs, ACT 2607

Att: Planning Dept

NSW Government

Belinda Walker

13 Maskell St .

Pallarenda Townsville Q 4810

Oct 31<sup>st</sup>

Dear Sir,

Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project at Majors creek on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall. I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

All Parties need to be accurate with their assessment of this site as a proposed mine site or to maintain this area in its current form. We can not measure the value of this site just in monetary terms. Maintaining this fragile ecosystem will be a benefit to every species including man that inhabits this area. Water is a valuable resource. Let's put the eco back into the economy. We all pay a price when we scar the land permanently through mining.

Please consider that this is a valuable piece of our country that should be protected for the future well being of our planet.

Yours faithfully,

Belinda Walker

Submissions must reach the Department of Planning by close of business November 1, 2010.

Fax: 9228 6466;

or email: [plan\\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au](mailto:plan_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au)

**George Mobayed - Reference number 10 0054**

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**From:** Nic Walker <nicwalker11@gmail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 28/10/2010 10:02 AM  
**Subject:** Reference number 10 0054

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Nic Walker  
27 Buntine Crescent Isaacs, ACT 2607  
Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.  
I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.  
I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.  
I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Thank you for your time.

Nic Walker

## George Mobayed - Dargues Reef mining project

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**From:** Kelly Wall <KWall@animalhealthaustralia.com.au>  
**To:** "plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au" <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 25/10/2010 9:50 AM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef mining project

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To whom it may concern

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that I request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

Thanks

Kelly Wall  
49 Merryville drive Murrumbateman NSW 2582  
Reference number 10 0054

## George Mobayed - Dargues Reef Mining Project

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**From:** "Susan de Wall" <susan@sinara.com.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 25/10/2010 11:10 AM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef Mining Project

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Name: Susan de Wall

Address: 2 Lillian Rock Road, Blue Knob, NSW 2480  
PO BOX 20724, Nimbin, NSW 2480

Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Sincerely,

Susan de Wall



**George Mobayed - Objection to the Dargues Reef Mining Project**

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**From:** "Michael and Rennae Wallace" <mjrwal@aapt.net.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 1:46 PM  
**Subject:** Objection to the Dargues Reef Mining Project

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Reference number 10 0054

To Whom it May Concern

I am writing to object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine. The area has suffered enough with drought. Does it not concern you that removing 66.2 megalitres from the local water table will cause significant losses in Flora and Fauna?

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Surely our environment deserves careful and considered thought before pushing on with this project. I would like to think that in years to come I can revisit this place with my grandchildren and they can be allowed the joys of the area as I was as a child.

Yours Sincerely

Rennae Wallace  
78 Windsor Street  
Gracemere Qld 4702

## George Mobayed - Proposed Dargues Reef Goldmine at Majors Creek

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**From:** "Celeste Walters" <ceswal@optusnet.com.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 27/10/2010 8:38 AM  
**Subject:** Proposed Dargues Reef Goldmine at Majors Creek  
**CC:** <jfrench@dragnet.com.au>

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Celeste Walters  
461 St Kilda Street  
Elwood Vic 3184  
Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine , nor on the fragile ecosystems that exist below the mine.

Further, I request more time for these and other issues raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated fully.

These would include a detailed assessment of endangered flora and fauna in the four kilometers below the mine, and of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometers down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Thank you in anticipation of resolving these matters

Celeste Walters

**George Mobayed - objection to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project**

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**From:** "corin walters" <corinw@activ8.net.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 27/10/2010 9:45 AM  
**Subject:** objection to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project

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plan\_comment@  
planning.nsw.gov.au  
Name: Corin Walters

Address: 836 Eukey rd., Stanthorpe, QLD, 4380  
Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Kind regards,  
Corin

## George Mobayed - Dargues Reef mine

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**From:** Libby Walters <libbywalters55@hotmail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 7:57 PM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef mine

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Name: Libby Walters  
Address: 41 Awaba St Fassifern, NSW, 2283  
Reference number 10 0054

As a person who lives on a creek downstream from a mine in Lake Macquarie I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Libby Walters

**George Mobayed - I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project**

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**From:** "Lyndal Ward" <lyndalward@i.net.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 2:10 PM  
**Subject:** I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project

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Name: Lyndal Ward  
Address: 11 Ingram Road Nar Nar Goon  
Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2 - 6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2 - 6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Have we not destroyed enough environment already for the sake of the dollar?

Lyndal Ward



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**George Mobayed - Submission re Dargues Reef Mine**

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**From:** mbwarner <mbwarner@leearth.net>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 28/10/2010 5:46 PM  
**Subject:** Submission re Dargues Reef Mine

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Name: Margaret Warner  
Address: PO Box 124 Keiraville 2500  
Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Regards,  
Margaret Warner  
[mbwarner@leearth.net](mailto:mbwarner@leearth.net)

**Kane Winwood - Online Submission from Natasha Watson of Otford Protection Society Inc (object)**

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**From:** Natasha Watson <otfordau@tpg.com.au>  
**To:** Kane Winwood <kane.winwood@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 25/10/2010 9:43 PM  
**Subject:** Online Submission from Natasha Watson of Otford Protection Society Inc (object)  
**CC:** <assessments@planning.nsw.gov.au>

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Potentially another Major Project /Part3A environmental disaster. When is NSW government going to put the future of the land, community and biodiversity ahead of a Mining Company's profits?

Name: Natasha Watson  
Organisation: Otford Protection Society Inc

Address:  
28 Georges road Otford NSW 2508

IP Address: 123-243-231-106.static.tpgi.com.au - 123.243.231.106

Submission for Job: #3871 Dargues Reef Gold Project (PA 10\_0054)  
[https://majorprojects.onhiive.com/index.pl?action=view\\_job&id=3871](https://majorprojects.onhiive.com/index.pl?action=view_job&id=3871)

Site: #2222 Dargues Reef Mine  
[https://majorprojects.onhiive.com/index.pl?action=view\\_site&id=2222](https://majorprojects.onhiive.com/index.pl?action=view_site&id=2222)

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**Kane Winwood**

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**George Mobayed - Fwd: Dargues Reef Gold Project.**

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**From:** Catherine Wauchope <cmwauchope@gmail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 25/10/2010 10:00 PM  
**Subject:** Fwd: Dargues Reef Gold Project.

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**From:** Catherine Wauchope <[cmwauchope@gmail.com](mailto:cmwauchope@gmail.com)>  
**Date:** Mon, Oct 25, 2010 at 9:53 PM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef Gold Project.  
**To:** [comment@planning.nsw.gov.au](mailto:comment@planning.nsw.gov.au)

Name: Cate Wauchope  
Address: 29 Woodland Avenue, Queanbeyan 2620  
Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Yours Sincerely  
Cate Wauchope

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Cate Wauchope  
29 woodland Avenue  
Queanbeyan  
Australia 2620  
02 62842845

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Cate Wauchope  
29 woodland Avenue  
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Australia 2620  
02 62842845

## George Mobayed - proposed Dargues Reef mining project

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**From:** "Traudel Weber" <traudel@westnet.com.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 2:53 AM  
**Subject:** proposed Dargues Reef mining project

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Traudel Weber  
Ellenbrook Road  
Cowaramup 6284 WA  
Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

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## George Mobayed - the proposed Dargues Reef Goldmine at Majors Creek

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**From:** "Rachael Wedd" <rachael@abrus.com.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 11:46 AM  
**Subject:** the proposed Dargues Reef Goldmine at Majors Creek

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To Whom it may concern,

I am submitting this public comment in relation to the proposed Dargues Reef Goldmine at Majors Creek.

I am opposed to the development of this mine for environmental reasons, with two areas of primary concern.

Firstly, the extraction amount of the groundwater required is likely to have a detrimental affect on the environmental values on the region. Admittedly this is a broad statement, but it encompasses a variety of sub-issues, such as alteration of the region's hydrogeology and water quality, hydrological impacts, and then the subsequent impacts on the regional flora and fauna, notwithstanding other stakeholders in the region (ie the landowners).

Secondly, the potential leaking of cyanide from the tailings storage facility, which would not only have a negative affect on the groundwater quality in the region, but also may contribute to reduction in hydrological water quality and future soil contamination.

These two points, without even taking into account other general environmental factors such as biodiversity impacts, habitat alteration, light spillage impacts on fauna, and noise impacts on sensitive fauna species, have the potential to cause environmental problems which are not acceptable, and would be hugely expensive (to both the mine operator and the NSW Government) to remediate, let alone rehabilitate properly for closure.

*Rachael Wedd*

Director

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## Kane Winwood - Online Submission from Carolyn Wells (object)

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**From:** Carolyn Wells <wells.carolyn@gmail.com>  
**To:** Kane Winwood <kane.winwood@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 27/10/2010 10:40 AM  
**Subject:** Online Submission from Carolyn Wells (object)  
**CC:** <assessments@planning.nsw.gov.au>

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I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that:

1. it is not in the public interest to degrade the bushland of the southern ranges which will be increasingly important as a wildlife refuge and biodiversity resource over future decades;
2. in particular it is not in the public interest to permit such a toxic activity as gold mining in such an important area;
3. the tailings dam poses a most serious threat to the down-stream environment in the event of extreme rainfall, and extreme rainfall events are becoming more frequent;
4. the environmental impact assessment appears to ignore the land beyond the immediate vicinity of the mine, but the impact of the development will extend well downstream of that area; and
5. the impact on groundwater levels below the mine is particularly worrying, as wildlife depend on natural springs for their survival.

I note that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond vicinity of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Name: Carolyn Wells

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Submission for Job: #3871 Dargues Reef Gold Project (PA 10\_0054)  
[https://majorprojects.onhiive.com/index.pl?action=view\\_job&id=3871](https://majorprojects.onhiive.com/index.pl?action=view_job&id=3871)

Site: #2222 Dargues Reef Mine

[https://majorprojects.onhiive.com/index.pl?action=view\\_site&id=2222](https://majorprojects.onhiive.com/index.pl?action=view_site&id=2222)

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**Kane Winwood**

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**George Mobayed - Dargue's Reef Mining Project**

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**From:** Jodie and Gary Slowgrove <slowgrove@gmail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 11:05 AM  
**Subject:** Dargue's Reef Mining Project

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Jodie Wells-Slowgrove  
124 Peninsular Rd  
Grays Point NSW 2232  
[slowgrove@gmail.com](mailto:slowgrove@gmail.com)

Ref No. 10 0054

**I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project.**

No assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling. Our natural flora and fauna are our greatest resource, found only in this one place on Earth, much more precious than gold that can be found in many places across the globe.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

As someone who lives on the edge of a National Park, I understand how precious these areas are to the local community. I request that a thorough consultation with the local community be undertaken.

Thank you for your time,  
Jodie Wells-Slowgrove

**George Mobayed - Dargues Reef Mining Project**

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**From:** Jon Wesick <jwesick@sbcglobal.net>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 25/10/2010 6:07 AM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef Mining Project

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Name: Jon Wesick  
Address: 370 Chestnut Ave #12, Carlsbad CA, USA  
Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Jon Wesick

**George Mobayed - Dargues Reef mining project objection ref no. 100054**

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**From:** "Alison and Rocky" <wesley@smartchat.net.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 5:58 PM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef mining project objection ref no. 100054

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I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project

- The reference number 10 0054

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Alison Wesley

33 Hinkler Cres, Lane Cove NSW 2066



**George Mobayed - Reference number 10 0054 - Dargues Reef Mine**

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**From:** Ten February <tenfebruary@gmail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 1/11/2010 12:20 PM  
**Subject:** Reference number 10 0054 - Dargues Reef Mine

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I am writing in regards to reference number 10 0054, the proposed Dargues Reef Mine at Major's Creek, Deua National Park, Major's Creek State Conservation Area, NSW.

I **strongly object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project** on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine. I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

I look forward to your timely response on this matter.

Regards,  
Aden Wessels

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**George Mobayed - objection to proposed Dargues Reef mining project**

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**From:** Sharon WEST <swest30@eq.edu.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 1/11/2010 10:25 AM  
**Subject:** objection to proposed Dargues Reef mining project

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Submission of my objection to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project

My name: Ms Sharon West  
Address: 172 Acanthus Avenue Burleigh Heads 4220  
Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine. I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall. I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling. I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam. It's the least your Department can do considering the impact this project will have on fauna and flora in the area.

Regards  
Sharon West

**George Mobayed - Reference number 10 0054**

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**From:** "Susan Whelan" <whelan@aapt.net.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 29/10/2010 9:40 PM  
**Subject:** Reference number 10 0054

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To Whom It May Concern

Re: Reference No. 10 0054

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Yours sincerely,

Susan Whelan

**George Mobayed - Dargues Reef Ref. 10 0054**

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**From:** "Carolyn White" <carolyn@carolynwhitemanagement.com.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 4:44 PM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef Ref. 10 0054

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Dear Sirs,

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Yours faithfully,  
Carolyn White

**Carolyn White**  
**204/11 Clarke Street**  
**Crows Nest 2065**

**t: 02 9439 1182**

## Kane Winwood - Online Submission from Stuart Whitelaw of Whitelaw Associates Architects (object)

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**From:** Stuart Whitelaw <stuartwhitelaw@gmail.com>  
**To:** Kane Winwood <kane.winwood@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 7:33 PM  
**Subject:** Online Submission from Stuart Whitelaw of Whitelaw Associates Architects (object)  
**CC:** <assessments@planning.nsw.gov.au>

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This is a truly dangerous development and could have repercussions to the downstream ecology for centuries. I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Name: Stuart Whitelaw  
Organisation: Whitelaw Associates Architects

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## George Mobayed - objection

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**From:** Carmen whiteley <carmen\_whiteley@hotmail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 28/10/2010 6:58 PM  
**Subject:** objection

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Name: Carmen Whiteley  
Address: 64 Princes St, Hobart, Tasmania

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

**George Mobayed - Objection: re proposed Dargues Reef Goldmine**

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**From:** "Julia Whittaker" <juliaw15@iprimus.com.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 1/11/2010 3:42 PM  
**Subject:** Objection: re proposed Dargues Reef Goldmine

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Julia Whittaker  
15 Antonia Street  
Mt Gravatt East 4122

**Objection regarding proposed Dargues Reef Goldmine: Reference number 100054**

I am writing to object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine. It is absolutely vital, given that the area is home for endangered and critically endangered species, that a more thorough and detailed environmental assessment be undertaken.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

I would like to be kept up to date of your future intentions regarding the proposed Dargues Reef mining project, which will benefit few and harm many. Please acknowledge receipt of this email.

Regards  
Julia Whittaker

**From:** <rebeccaglasgow@bigpond.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 27/10/2010 9:16 am  
**Subject:** Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

I sincerely hope these concerns, and others that will doubtless be voiced by many, will be addressed.

Rebecca Widdows  
79 Shaw St, Yass NSW 2582



**George Mobayed - FW: Dargues Reef mining project**

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**From:** Sheryl Wiffen <Sheryl@pkcp.org.au>  
**To:** "plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au" <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 25/10/2010 5:20 PM  
**Subject:** FW: Dargues Reef mining project

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**From:** Sheryl Wiffen  
**Sent:** Monday, 25 October 2010 4:56 PM  
**To:** 'comment@planning.nsw.gov.au'  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef mining project  
**Importance:** High

**Re: Dargues Reef mining project**

Name: Sheryl Wiffen  
 Address: 22 Princes Hwy,  
 West Wollongong 2500

Reference number 10 0054

I wish to lodge my objection to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project.

I am appalled to hear that the Dargues Reef Mining project appears to be forging ahead without what I believe is well known as "best practice" to install a secondary wall in front of the 25 meter high tailings dam in case the first wall fails.

As I understand the current situation, there is no assessment of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

I believe the *Environmental Assessment raised questions* that both environmentally and ethically need to be investigated.

I request more time for a comprehensive study of the environmental impact this project will have long term. I believe the Dargues Reef Mine will have extensive negative impact on the existing bush land and the threatened native flora and fauna in this area. In this country where water is our most precious commodity it would be wise to thoroughly investigate the impact this project will have on the ground water of the region. Test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, ought to be part of the 'impact study' to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered Powerful Owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Sheryl Wiffen  
 Nils Coordinator  
[sheryl@pkcp.org.au](mailto:sheryl@pkcp.org.au)  
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**Kane Winwood - Fwd: Reference number 10 0054**

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**From:** plan\_comment  
**To:** Kane Winwood  
**Date:** 25/10/2010 3:33 PM  
**Subject:** Fwd: Reference number 10 0054

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>>> "S&D Wiggins" <steldave@bigpond.net.au> 25/10/2010 13:47 >>>

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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regards  
Stella Wiggins

37 Mt Mellum Rd  
Mt Mellum  
QLD 4550

0402427589

**From:** Lynda Wightman <sales@office.gelworks.com.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 29/10/2010 10:51 am  
**Subject:** objection to Dargues Reef mining project. Reference number 10 0054

To: Department of Planning

Reference number 10 0054

I am writing object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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Yours sincerely,

Lynda Wightman  
60 Bateman's Rd  
Gladesville NSW 2111

## George Mobayed - Dargues Reef mining project

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**From:** "Edel Wignell" <edelwig@vicnet.net.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 5:26 PM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef mining project

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Edel Wignell  
PO Box 2484  
Rowville Vic 3178  
Reference number 10 0054

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Yours sincerely,  
Edel Wignell

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**George Mobayed - ref no 10 0054**

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**From:** Jennifer Wilden <Jennifer.Wilden@campbellpage.org.au>  
**To:** "plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au" <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 27/10/2010 9:40 AM  
**Subject:** ref no 10 0054

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Name: jen Wilden

Address: 8 Grove pl Moruya heads

Reference number 10 0054

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**Jennifer Wilden » Community Connections Officer**

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**From:** "Williams, Alisa" <ALISA.WILLIAMS@det.nsw.edu.au>  
**To:** "plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au" <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 28/10/2010 11:21 am  
**Subject:** objection to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project Ref 10 0054

Alisa Williams  
5/43 Hutchison Cct,  
Queanbeyan NSW 2620

Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Sincerely,  
Alisa Williams

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Teacher HSIE  
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**George Mobayed - Dargues Reef Mining Project**

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**From:** Annette Williams <wi.nettie1@gmail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 3:40 PM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef Mining Project

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To Whom It may Concern

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

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**George Mobayed - Dargues Reef mine**

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**From:** Geoffrey Williams <gwstudio@bigpond.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 5:00 PM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef mine

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I am concerned about the proposed **Dargues Reef mining project**. Apparently no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Sincerely,  
Geoff Williams.



**George Mobayed**

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**From:** Leesa Williams <leesawilliams@hotmail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 25/10/2010 7:46 PM

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To Whom It May Concern:

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine. I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall. I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Yours sincerely

Leesa Williams  
81 Thorn St  
IPSWICH QLD 4305

**"Be the change that you want to see in the world"**  
**Mahatma Gandhi**

**George Mobayed - Reference ; 10 0054**

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**From:** "Rainyday Books" <rainyday@bigpond.net.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 28/10/2010 3:02 PM  
**Subject:** Reference ; 10 0054

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Name: Meryll Williams  
Address: 1301 Mountain Hwy, The Basin 3154  
Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Yours

Meryll Williams

**George Mobayed - Reference number 10 0054 -Dargues Reef Mining Project**

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**From:** "tiga" <tiga@emailme.com.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 1/11/2010 4:47 PM  
**Subject:** Reference number 10 0054 -Dargues Reef Mining Project

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**Reference number 10 0054 -Dargues Reef Mining Project**

I **object** to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no thorough assessment has been made of the impact not only on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, but also the fragile flora and fauna and threatened ecosystems that will be affected below the mine.

More time must be made for complete and thorough Environmental Impact Studies and such questions raised by the Environmental Assessment must be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater, to allow for variations in rainfall.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of not only endangered, critically endangered, threatened and vulnerable flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site but all flora and fauna as the ecosystem is reliant upon all species this must include the impact such a venture WILL have on all of the above. This also needs at least a year for completion; as not only are some species migratory, but differing seasons bring in different animals especially birds. The endangered powerful owl has a huge territory feeding mainly on possums so even the "common" animals effected by any such venture can and will have an impact on all species including the endangered ones.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

**All of these above requests should be mandatory and be open and public knowledge. We live in the year 2010 when the environment is the biggest issue going on today not only for us but our children and their children. We shouldn't have to plea that complete and thorough environmental studies are undertaken, there are no excuses for not caring for the environment and taking the greatest care in making sure any person or company will do no harm.**

Yours sincerely

Tiga Williams  
PO Box 51  
HALL ACT 2618

**From:** "Williams, Vivian" <VIVIAN.WILLIAMS@det.nsw.edu.au>  
**To:** "plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au" <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 1:00 pm

Dargues Reef mining project  
Reference number 10 0054

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Vivian Williams  
Teacher Librarian  
Castle Hill NSW 2154  
Australia

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**From:** Tony Sullivan & Wendy Williams <tony.wendy@bigpond.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 1/11/2010 8:43 pm  
**Subject:** Fwd: URGENT APPEAL: Dargues Reef Goldmine - a plea from Jackie French

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>>>> Name: Wendy Williams  
>>>> Address: 34 Seaward Crescent, Pallarenda, QLD, 4810  
>>>> Reference number 10 0054  
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>>>> I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that  
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**George Mobayed - Reference number 10 0054**

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**From:** Elizabeth Williamson <geneste@flurf.net>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 5:43 PM  
**Subject:** Reference number 10 0054

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Name: Elizabeth Williamson  
Address: 27 Harwoods Road, Geeveston TAS 7116  
Reference number 10 0054

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

**George Mobayed - Objection: Proposed Dargues Reef gold mine**

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**From:** Bruce Wilson <scousebruce@googlemail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 9:27 AM  
**Subject:** Objection: Proposed Dargues Reef gold mine

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Name: Bruce Wilson  
 Address: 12 Menuggana Rd, Fern Tree, TAS 7054  
 Reference number 10 0054

To whom it may concern

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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Kind regards  
 Bruce Wilson

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 12 Menuggana Rd, Fern Tree, TAS 7054  
 03 6239 1028

**George Mobayed - Reference number 10 0054**

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**From:** Campbell Wilson <camwilson79@gmail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 27/10/2010 9:14 AM  
**Subject:** Reference number 10 0054

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Name: Campbell Wilson  
Address: 3585 Kings Hwy Bungendore  
Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Regards,

Campbell Wilson



**From:** mirramu <mirramu@apex.net.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 27/10/2010 2:49 am  
**Subject:** Dargues reef Mining Project

Reference number 10 0054

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

I am writing in reference to the Dargues Reef Mining Project, Reference number 10 0054.

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Yours Sincerely  
Elizabeth Cameron Wilson  
849 Lake Road,  
Bungendore, NSW 2621

**George Mobayed - comment on 10 0054**

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**From:** "Helen Wilson" <heleniwilson@bigpond.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 27/10/2010 2:50 PM  
**Subject:** comment on 10 0054

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Reference number 10 0054

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Yours sincerely

Helen Wilson  
80 Farrell Rd  
Bulli 2516

**From:** MAURA WILSON <maurawilson@bigpond.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 6:29 pm  
**Subject:** Submission Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Maura Wilson  
c/- Maningrida CEC  
PMB 67  
via Winnellie 0822 NT

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**From:** Sharyn Wilson <sharynwilson@optusnet.com.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 29/10/2010 10:20 am  
**Subject:** 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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Sharyn Wilson  
43 B Chisholm Avenue  
Clareville 2107

## George Mobayed - Objection to the Dargues Reef mining project

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**From:** Steve Wilson <stevenwilsondesign@gmail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 25/10/2010 5:09 PM  
**Subject:** Objection to the Dargues Reef mining project

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Name: Steven Wilson  
Address: 4/7 Horrocks Crescent, Toowoomba QLD 4350  
Reference number: 10 0054

To the Department of Planning,

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine. I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall. I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling. I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam. If the mine goes ahead, I insist on the construction of a secondary wall to increase protection.

I am extremely dismayed to hear that yet another habitat is set to be destroyed by greed. Jobs and materials are NOT more important than the preservation of flora and fauna.

Yours Sincerely,  
Steven Wilson.

**From:** George Jean Winston <gwinston@aapt.net.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 29/10/2010 6:01 pm  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef Mining Project

\*Reference number 10 0054\*

I strongly object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

George Winston AM  
7 Mission St Katoomba NSW 2780  
Phone 4782 7866

Dianne Wolfer  
1/7 Finlay St  
Albany 6330, WA

Ph/Fax: 08 98429949  
Email: [dianne@westnet.com.au](mailto:dianne@westnet.com.au)

Reference number 10 0054

25<sup>th</sup> October 2010

To the Department of Planning

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project as no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

A detailed assessment needs to be made of endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

This region is one of immense beauty.  
We must protect the creatures living there and safeguard it for future generations.

Sincerely



Dianne Wolfer

[www.diannewolfer.com](http://www.diannewolfer.com)

## George Mobayed - Dargues Reef goldmine

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**From:** Neil & Jules <neilsandjules@yahoo.com.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 8:03 AM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef goldmine

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Jules Wondrasek  
583 Whorouly Road  
Whorouly 3735

Reference no. 10 0054

I am writing in reference to the proposed Dargues Reef goldmine.

Besides the obvious destruction of immediate habitats in an already tenuous situation for many species, the subsequent effect of excessive water use will be devastating on a much larger scale.

I request that a comprehensive assessment is made of the endangered species in the the 10 km surrounding the proposed mine site.

Respect needs to be shown to the original owners of the land, and an assessment of heritage and indigenous sites is also requested.

An assessment needs to be made on the effect of dumping the tailings on site!!

Lastly, but not least, I request an environmental assessment is made on the effect of removing such large quantities of water from the water table, the effect this will have on river and creek flows, the effect it will have on existing vegetation that rely on the water table for their water in an already rainfall challenged area.

Gold mining is a high water use enterprise. Here we are, a country with barely enough water to support our population and we are showing a willingness to waste it on gold, and destroy habitat that is becoming more and more rare. **We can't eat gold** and frankly, I don't think our tourism industry wants to show tourists where the Powerful Owl **used to be found**.

Come on NSW! There are more important things than making money on gold. Look at the big picture.

I grew up in Orange and have watched the challenges and destruction caused by the Cadia Mines. Maybe we should try to learn from past experience. Or is that only something we teach our children.

Think about it.

Jules Wondrasek



## George Mobayed - Objection to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project

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**From:** "Australian Studio PL" <info@australianstudio.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 27/10/2010 11:28 AM  
**Subject:** Objection to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project

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Email to: plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au  
Reference number 10 0054

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Yours sincerely,

Jo Wood  
8 Shanks Road  
Aldgate SA 5154

## George Mobayed - proposed Dargues Reef mining project

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**From:** "Lynn Wood" <lynn.wood@inet.net.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 27/10/2010 12:29 PM  
**Subject:** proposed Dargues Reef mining project

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Name: Lynn Wood  
Address: 10/61 Elizabeth St, South Perth WA 6151  
Reference number 10 0054

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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Lynn Wood

**George Mobayed - Reference number 10 0054 Dargues Reef Mine**

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**From:** Kelesi Woodhouse <kelesi10@bigpond.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 30/10/2010 5:56 PM  
**Subject:** Reference number 10 0054 Dargues Reef Mine

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Dear Sir or Madam,

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I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Sincerely,

Kelesi Woodhouse,  
4 Lisa Court, Moss Vale, 2577

## George Mobayed - Dargues Reef mining project

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**From:** Linda Woodrow <linda.woodrow@gmail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 28/10/2010 2:28 PM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef mining project

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Name: Linda Woodrow  
Address: Black Horse Creek, Kyogle, 2474  
Reference number 10 0054

I would like to submit that the proposed Dargues Reef mining project poses a threat to groundwater and the ecosystems that depend on it below the mine. I would like to request that time be allowed for a more detailed environmental assessment be made of the impact of drilling on the groundwater and the impact on flora and fauna.

Yours sincerely,

Linda Woodrow

**George Mobayed - Dargues Reef Mine - Reference Number 10 0054**

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**From:** Janeena Woodville <j\_woodville@hotmail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 29/10/2010 11:20 AM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef Mine - Reference Number 10 0054

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Name: Janeena Woodville  
Address: 207 Araluen Road, Moruya NSW 2537  
Reference number 10 0054

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I ask that a secondary dam wall be built to ensure a back up if the first dam wall should break. This is a 'worlds best practice' requirement.

I spend a lot of time in the Araluen Valley and am also an active member of the wildlife organisation WIRES. We have several threatened and endangered species in the area that would be most affected should toxic effluent enter the valley system. This is unacceptable. The Araluen Valley is a beautiful place. Peaceful, historical, scenic. It is vital that proper assessment, planning and implementation of ethical code of practice be legislated for and implemented before the scheme goes ahead.

Please acknowledge this email.

Yours truly,  
Janeena Woodville  
207 Araluen Road, Moruya NSW 2537.

Phone: 02 44744 107  
mobile: 0400763363  
[Name and address].

**George Mobayed - Reference 10 0054 - Objection to Plan**

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**From:** Di W <dierich5102@gmail.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 29/10/2010 2:16 PM  
**Subject:** Reference 10 0054 - Objection to Plan

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Regards

Dianne Woolley  
PO Box 507  
Mt Compass SA 5210

**Kane Winwood - Fwd: Dargues Reef proposal ref .no. 100054I**

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**From:** plan\_comment  
**To:** Kane Winwood  
**Date:** 25/10/2010 3:22 PM  
**Subject:** Fwd: Dargues Reef proposal ref .no. 100054I

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>>> "Linda Wright" <santilinda@aapt.net.au> 25/10/2010 13:43 >>>  
Linda Wright  
9 Mantons Lane,  
LAWRENCE 2460

Reference number 10 0054

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Yours faithfully,

Linda Wright

**George Mobayed - Reference 100054 Proposed mine site**

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**From:** WRIGHT Melissa <mwrigh117@eq.edu.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 28/10/2010 8:44 AM  
**Subject:** Reference 100054 Proposed mine site

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Reference number 10 0054

Melissa Wright  
21 Paynters Creek Road  
Rosemount QLD 4560

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Regards Melissa Wright

WRIGHT, Melissa

The Clean Team  
The Kuluin School

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**George Mobayed - Dargues Reef Gold Mine at Majors Creek**

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**From:** "Sally Wylie" <kwylie@westnet.com.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 25/10/2010 4:20 PM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef Gold Mine at Majors Creek

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**Dargues Reef Gold Mine at Majors Creek**

Reference number 10 0054

Name: Sally & Ken Wylie  
Address:  
RMB 278A Margaret River West Aust

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine. A similar thing is happening here in WA. We've had enough of mining overruling all other values.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

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The tailings dam wqould have a second, back up wall  
.Sincerely

Sally and Ken Wylie

**George Mobayed - Fw: Ref:No. 100054**

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**From:** "kww" <countryrivercamp@bigpond.com>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 9:03 AM  
**Subject:** Fw: Ref:No. 100054

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**From:** [kww](#)  
**To:** [comment@planning.nsw.gov.au](mailto:comment@planning.nsw.gov.au)  
**Sent:** October 26, 2010 8:11 PM  
**Subject:** Ref:No. 100054

I agree with Jackie French no mine should be allowed where it endanges flora and fona but no mention of danger to the greates species that GOD created If the Government does not know what I refer to then the species is called people. Problems in this country with water creeks and rivers not to mention lakes disappear. The murray darling for instance communities need water farms and animals also we can not drink gold. When we die who will pay you politians Oh I forgot you can use the gold to bribe God. Wake up before you all get kicked out at the next state election and stop all these greedy mining companies taking our resources from our country for them to fatten their wallets. If there are spelling mistakes these can be easily fixed but who fixes Government blunders the poor people. As far as I am concerned the enviroment is more important than money and a greedy government so the NSW GOVERNMENT SHOULKD STAND UP AND BE COUNTED to support the people that voted you in we also have a reverse gear to push you out. I am a self made senior citizen who supported the Labour State and Federal Governments all my voting live Federal Governments on the clive edge.

Keith W. Wynne [countryrivercamp@bigpond.com](mailto:countryrivercamp@bigpond.com)

## George Mobayed - Dargues Mine

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**From:** "Yandle, Jody M" <yandle.jody.m@edumail.vic.gov.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 1/11/2010 12:53 PM  
**Subject:** Dargues Mine

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Jody Yandle  
6 Lower Grieve Road  
AVONSLEIGH VIC 3782

Reference number 10 0054

To Whom It May Concern,

This issue has been brought to my attention by someone living close to the mine's proposed location who is not a radical 'greenie' but values the environment she lives in and its inhabitants. I am concerned that this project appears to have been 'pushed through' without the appropriate time given to ensure the process is fair and transparent and that residents have sufficient time to lodge their own concerns with authorities.

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine. Unless proven otherwise with more extensive research, animals may die if so much of their water source is removed from the water table. Death from water deprivation is cruel and lingering.

I request more time for these and other questions raised by the Environmental Assessment to be investigated, including test bores 2-6

kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site. This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.

I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

**Please, please, please** consider the impact this project will have on the long-term health of flora & fauna in this beautiful area for a relatively short-term mining operation. Someone has to speak up for the wildlife as they cannot defend themselves.

Thank you for listening,

Jody Yandle

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**From:** Anthony Young <anthony@fie.com.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 28/10/2010 9:28 am  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef mining project

To whom it may concern:

I'm writing at the urging of Jackie French, concerning the Dargues Reef mining project. While I sympathise with the need for resource gathering, and the difficulties faced by those tasked with procuring vital resources (particularly with regards to environmental damage) I think it's vitally important that we keep the preservation and safety of our nation's unique flora and fauna at the top of our priorities.

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Thank you very much for your time.

~ Anthony Young

Clayfield, 4011.

**George Mobayed - Reference No. 10 0054 - re Dargues Reef mining project**

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**From:** Gordon Young <gyoung@fie.com.au>  
**To:** plan\_comment <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 30/10/2010 6:44 PM  
**Subject:** Reference No. 10 0054 - re Dargues Reef mining project

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27th October, 2010

Jenny Young  
39 Culgoa Crescent  
Pambula Beach NSW 2549


Ref. No. 10 0054

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Jenny Young

**George Mobayed - Reference no. 10 0054**

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**From:** "Marian Young" <youngm@iimetro.com.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 25/10/2010 7:42 AM  
**Subject:** Reference no. 10 0054

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Marian Young  
9/43 Derrington Crescent  
Canberra  
ACT 2905

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**George Mobayed - A protest about the proposal for a Dargues Reef mining project that does not seem to have addressed several important regional conservation issues.**

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**From:** "Sandra Young" <sy690600@westnet.com.au>  
**To:** <information@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 25/10/2010 10:00 AM  
**Subject:** A protest about the proposal for a Dargues Reef mining project that does not seem to have addressed several important regional conservation issues.

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Dear Sir/madam,

Name: Sandra Young  
Address: 26 Cameron Road Queanbeyan 2620 N.S.W.  
Reference number 10 0054

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Regards, Sandra Young

George Mobayed - Dargues Reef mining project REF NO - 10 0054

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**From:** Christine Y <chateaucrystale@yahoo.com.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 3:15 PM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef mining project REF NO - 10 0054

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**MY FAMILY AND I PROFOUNDLY OBJECT TO THE PROPOSED DARGUES REEF MINING PROJECT...**

**ON THE GROUNDS THAT:**

**NO ASSESSMENT HAS BEEN MADE OF THE IMPACT ON THE LOSS OF GROUNDWATER BEYOND THE TWO QUARE KILOMETRE RADIUS OF THE MINE**

**NO ASSESSMENT HAS BEEN MADE OF THE IMPACT ON THE FAGILE AND THREATENED ECOSYSTEMS BELOW THE MINE**

**We request MORE TIME FOR THESE AND OTHER QUESTIONS RAISED BY THE ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT TO BE INVESTIGATED.**

**INCLUDING test bores 2-6 kilometres downstream from the mine site, to test the impact of drilling on the groundwater over a period of a year, to allow for variation in rainfall.**

**WE ALSO REQUEST that a detailed assessment be made of endangered, critically endangered and threatened flora and fauna in the four kilometres below the mine site.**

**This also needs a year for completion, as some species are migratory, and others, such as the endangered powerful owl, can only be easily identified in late winter when they are calling.**

**WE ALSO REQUEST that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.**

**PLEASE TAKE THESE OBJECTIONS AND REQUEST INTO CONSIDERATION WHEN LOOKING INTO THE PROPOSED DARGUES REEF MINING PROJECT**

**NOTE:**

**OUR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES THROUGHOUT AUSTRALIA ARE NOW FULLY AWARE OF THE OBLIGATIONS OF GOVERNMENTS TO PROTECT OUR FRAGILE ECOSYSTEM AND WILDLIFE TOGETHER WITH DUTY OF CARE OF ALL INDIGENOUS SITE THAT MAY BE AT RISK.**

MRS C.YUGINOVICH, 70 PLATZ ST, TOOWOOMBA QLD 4350

## George Mobayed - Dargues Reef mining project

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**From:** "Michael Zangmeister" <M.Zangmeister@bhtafe.edu.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 3:21 PM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef mining project

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*To whom it may concern:*

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Finally, I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Kind regards,

Michael

**Michael Zangmeister BEd, Cert. IV TAA, Dip. TAA**

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**George Mobayed - Dargues Reef mining project**

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**From:** "kate ziesak" <reachkate@optusnet.com.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 10:52 AM  
**Subject:** Dargues Reef mining project

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Name: Katarina Ziesak  
Address: 3 Ballang Place, Cooma NSW 2630  
Reference number 10 0054

To Whom it May Concern,

I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometer radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres down stream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Sincerely  
Katarina Ziesak

**George Mobayed - Reference number 10 0054**

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**From:** "Simone Zmood" <simone@zmood.net>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 2:43 PM  
**Subject:** Reference number 10 0054

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Dear Department of Planning,

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I also request that a detailed assessment be made of heritage and Indigenous sites 2-6 kilometres downstream from the proposed mine site and the tailings dam.

Regards,  
Simone Zmood

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**T:** 0419 367 141  
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**George Mobayed**

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**From:** Tara Zubrinich <tj12@live.com.au>  
**To:** <plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26/10/2010 11:29 PM

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Email to: plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au

Name: Tara Zubrinich

Address: Adelaide, South Australia

Reference number 10 0054 I object to the proposed Dargues Reef mining project on the grounds that no assessment has been made of the impact on the loss of groundwater beyond the two square kilometre radius of the mine, nor on the fragile and threatened ecosystems below the mine.

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