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Resident  
Eagleton, NSW

10/05/2024

To: The director Resources Assessments

Although we do not strictly object to the expansion of the existing Boral Seaham Quarry. In recent years Boral has increased its engagement with us and we appreciate this. We share concerns and/or objection to certain detail provided in **Seaham Quarry Project (SSD-59254474)** as detailed below:

- With the increased blasting frequency, we would request consent conditions driving Boral to continuously improve their blasting methodologies minimizing impacts to local residences. Currently residence experience blast noise and on occasions over pressure events, however this is contradicted in the EIS stating 'Long standing compliance with blasting limits'. These over pressure events are not always picked up by the limited monitor locations and a review of blast monitor locations is requested. It must be acknowledged that Boral operations personnel are aware of this and are currently investigating.
- We currently experience operation noise early in the morning and into the evening. We object to increased quarry activities operating hours from current 6am to 10pm with proposed 6am to 12pm. It is also requested that Boral further consult with the local community to identify other locations for noise monitoring to build a better noise understanding of fugitive noise from the operation.
- With respect to 'Noise and Vibration Impact Assessment', we welcome the existing and proposed measures. It also discusses noise attenuation for dump trucks and indicates it not to be 'reasonable or feasible'. Recent low frequency fugitive noise concerns were raised with Boral operations personnel and noise attenuation was installed on the main truck. This realised a significant reduction in low frequency noise (we thank Boral for that) and demonstrates that all types of noise attenuation should be reconsidered. We would request industry leading noise consent conditions to again drive Boral to continuously reduce their noise footprint.

Again, we are not strictly opposed to the expansion but believe consent condition should be imposed to drive continuous improvement and minimize impact to the environment and communities it engages with.

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We also take the opportunity to express our objection to the Eagleton Quarry Project (SSD-7332) and urge the department of planning to a holistic review and see the Eagleton Quarry Project is **not** appropriate for the sensitive area in which is proposed to be located. The Boral expansion will cover the additional tonnes proposed by the Eagleton Quarry Project with far reduced impact to environment (existing operation), residents, and local businesses.

Sincerely,

*Resident*