

Bowdens Silver Project

Dear Madam/Sir.

We run and own a cattle property 8ks east of Lue and the proposed Lead/Zinc mine and welcome the opportunity of presenting our absolute objection to the proposal by Bowdens Silver.

While there are major concerns with the EIS and Bowdens intentions right across the board we will concentrate our objections and critical concerns to the following.

Note – This mine site is just 2km from Lue village.

- Excessive noise above permissible levels
- Water extraction noting most will come from the Lawson Creek Valley with Bowdens admitting the natural water table will be lowered by some 25m. "We rely on a bore from the same aquifer to supply water to our stock and have grave concerns for its future, therefore our enterprise. The absolute minimal rehabilitation of the site by Bowdens, noting the tailings dam containing toxic chemicals etc. has no secondary walls and is only to be slightly backfilled "with all toxic contents remaining" to leach into the water table, Lawson's Creek and beyond with disastrous consequences.
- Pollution via Acid Rain.
- Lead & Community health.

Not surprisingly LEAD has been outlawed in paint & fuel since 2010. WHY because of the obvious and well known serious risks to health. There is no safe level of lead exposure without harmful affects. Given this project is really a lead (42%) and zinc (57.5%) mine the risk is critical and real.

We know lead can remain in the environment as dust "indefinitely" and therefore is a massive contributor to pollution also.

We also know lead can be released into the air and then inhaled or ingested which is then stored in the body's tissues, teeth and bones. Exposure to lead weakens havoc on the body even more in children such as:-