21 May 2019

The Director NSW Planning and Industry Sydney

Dear Sir or Madam

## **Re: Dunmore Lakes Sand Extraction Project-Modification 2 of DA195-8-2004**

I wish to object to this modification.

Firstly, given the scale and relative locations of the expansion to the Minnamurra wetlands and river. This sensitive area warrants examination as a new development in its own right.

Secondly, we have complained to Boral on two occasions at Minnamurra Progress Association meetings regarding the milky discharge of suspended solids leaching into the river and surrounding wetlands on a regular basis. This occurs during long spells of dry weather also.

To date Boral Management has not responded to these concerns. However they did say they would investigate other possible sources of the flows implying that the discharges were not from their operations.

My objection is based on my observation the environmental impact on wetlands and river generally over the past 22 years. The overall area is approximately 2 square kilometres of which a large proportion will be sand mine. In this same area we have the Shellharbour Waste Depot and the Kiama Council Recycling Centre.

The existing mined sand area acts as a natural filtering system for impurities such as dairy farms runoff in the Jamberoo river area, land fill leaching from two Council Refuge Centres and the A1 motor way runoff seeping into the sensitive wetland area of the Minnamurra River.

The river is also used as an ecological excursion site for many schools students.

The area is highly sensitive and any further development should be very carefully considered.

Yours Sincerely,