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To Whom It May Concern

I write to object to the proposal of establishing two additional sand extraction areas (Stages 5a and 5b) at Dunmore.

I am appalled that the privately owned Dunmore House land is to become an eyesore. My family has lived and enjoyed the area around Minnamurra for over 75 years. Driving past this area of land has always been enjoyable to see the animals and the grand old home on the hill.

I am concerned about the impacts the works on this site will have to the local traffic; the damages caused to the road surfaces; the roadworks proposed to access the site and the noise and dust pollution that will occur in the area. I live within a kilometre of the site and already experience dust pollution from current works in the area. Those living closer will be highly detrimentally impacted.

The increase of traffic on Riverside Drive to service area 5a whilst sand mining operations are underway and during the rehabilitation process is very concerning – safety of local traffic will be put at risk.

I object to the proposal as I am concerned that current and the future extraction plans impact negatively on Minnamurra River. I have video of water running into the river that “appears” to be coming from the current sandmining extraction works which is flowing freely into Minnamurra River. We have not had rain so this water is not run-off. I believe the current sandmining is already impacting on the river.

I am very concerned about the potential impact on groundwater hydrology. We currently use bore water at our property and would be very concerned about possible impacts on the quality and quantity of the water table.

Both sites are in very close proximity to Minnamurra River and the demolishing of 5b area has the potential to impact on the ecosystems. To remove completely 4.53 hectares of ecologically endangered forest is appalling!

I request the Department of Planning terminate the current assessment process. I do not want to see sandmining in these areas at all.

Thank you for considering my comments.

Noelene Sinclair