

## **OBJECTION TO NEW COBAR COMPLEX PROJECT**

### **ROAD TRAFFIC NOISE**

The increase in HV movements will increase noise levels which can be heard quite distinctly at our property Delavale (R31). Table 8.10 records traffic noise for vehicles travelling at 100km/h, but does not take into account the noise levels of increased HV vehicles loading, taking off, braking and changing gears at the New Cobar Complex and entering onto Kidman Way. The current level of traffic already causes interrupted sleep and stress for us.

The rock breaking and reversing alarms as the materials are transferred from underground trucks to surface road trains for transport between sites is already heard distinctly from within our home during the day & night causing distress due to disturbed sleep. Any increase will make life unbearable.

### **INCREASED TRAFFIC ENTERING ONTO KIDMAN WAY**

The entry to our property is opposite the New Cobar Complex and adjacent to an informal unsealed truck stop where there will be increased HV movements. The widening shown in Figure 15.4 will only assist trucks and not through traffic. The road will require widening to allow any turning lane for the trucks both entering and exiting the High Way for the safety of all road users. The truck stop should also be sealed to reduce the levels of dust.

### **WATER FROM YOUNG AUSTRALIA**

The watercourse (B) from the Young Australia tanks is our main source of water for household and stock purposes. We have concerns about the quality & quantity of water being affected by these operations.

### **VIBRATIONS**

We have been subjected to vibrations from mining operations for many years, some causing damage to our house. Most of our complaints have not been addressed. We are concerned the level of vibrations will increase, causing damage to our buildings and stress to our ourselves, especially as operations will move closer to our property with the Gladstone operations. Vibration records show days missing which coincide with days that our property has been subjected to heavy vibrations that have been physically felt and evident through the rattle of windows and dishes falling and tiles cracking.

### **DUST AND EMISSIONS**

My understanding of the mineralogy of the proposed ore bodies includes a significant increase in sulfur which presents risks of dust explosions. We can already smell fumes which are emitted from the existing vent rises and are concerned for the health of ourselves and also the Cobar community as a whole due to increased operations.

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