

## Sara Wilson - Moolarben Coal Stage 2

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Sara

The CMA have a number of concerns regarding the Moolarben Coal Stage 2

We received the proposal on the 8th Feb and it was transferred to our office on the 12th.

We request a one week extension for comments. I understand OEH and Mid-Western Council have been granted such an extension in time for response.

Currently I have no Vegetation Officers to deck this week to complete a detailed assessment of the proposed clearing and offsets.

This will change next week as we will be able to provide a suitable response.

On Native Vegetation

Our initial concerns are:-

- The classification of the Native Vegetation made by the consultants
- The area and classification of the proposed offsets
- The Location of the offsets
- The cumulative impact of the coal mine and adjacent coal mines have on connectivity of Munghorn Gap Area
- The impact on the Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Area known as the Drips
- The CMA has Investment in Weed Control and Erosion control of The Drips area. The impact this development and commitment of the mine to improve and maintain this area.
- There appears to be no acknowledgement or adherence of the water sharing plan.
- Water Study differs from the nearby and adjacent mines in critical areas.

We are well on the way to completing these areas of concern. The detailed response and clarification of our issues to this proposal will be completed by 2 March

Any issues please ring.

Monday I am on my mobile number

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