

Mining and Major Industry Projects
Dept of Planning and Infrastructure

Moolarben Coal Complex Stage 2
Preferred Project Report: Project No: 08_0135

To Whom It May Concern,
I wish to submit the following concerns:

1. As a resident in the vicinity of this project I am concerned about the health impacts of dust from the mines. I watched with concern a documentary on the ABC about the health impacts affecting the people living and working in the Singleton area. The toxic effects of the dust from mining are of grave consequences. The history of the lack of adherence to guidelines by mining companies does not give me confidence that our local community's health will be protected. I have watched with concern when residents have complained about breaches by the existing mines in our area and heard of the lengthy processes involved that produce less than adequate responses. Stringent conditions need to be put in place to protect us from toxic dust.
2. The Drip and Corner Gorge on the Goulburn River are culturally and scenically significant. The offset package fails to include these and provide for their long term protection, appropriate management and on going public access. This needs to be addressed.
3. To locate the biodiversity offsets outside the Hunter Valley does not represent "like for like" neither does it replace the combined loss to ecology of the region. Instead to set aside as an offset the river corridor and land around The Drip and Corner Gorge would go towards lessening the negative impacts of this project.

Yours Sincerely
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