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Planning Services

Resources Assessments

Matthew Riley,

This submission is regarding Boggabri Coals application to modify its project approval by operating additional ground water bores on farms close to our property.

Our farm 'Glenhope' relies solely on underground water for all stock and domestic purposes. With its predicted drawdown level occurring this would effectively leave us with very little or no bore water at all.

We believe that we would need additional bores drilled and equipped with good quality water before any pumping began by Boggabri Coal to give us a secure water source before any drawdown occurs on our existing bores.

We have had one meeting with a Boggabri Coal representative, Hamish Russel to discuss this issue. He now has to take the results of that meeting back to other mine representatives before they agree as to what they will provide for us. To date we have received no formal written response from Boggabri Coal in relation to our concerns raised.

As this submission is to be due in your office by 15th December 2015 and we have no final agreement with Boggabri Coal on this bore issue to this date, 14th December 2015, we have to say that this approval should not be allowed until we are given secure, good quality bore water.

Your Sincerely,

David Gillham

Richard Gillham

14th December 2015