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To whom it may concern,

Re: Support for the Maxwell Underground Coal Mine Project Application Number: SSD-9526

This letter is to express my support for the application made by Malabar Coal for the Maxwell Underground Coal Mine Project.

I support this project because it's a proposal for an underground only coal mine. This means there are no dust issues or noise concerns and from a visual perspective, a lot more pleasing to the eye than an open cut.

This project will create jobs for the area and provide further support for local sporting and community groups through sponsorships and donations.

I currently work at the Maxwell Infrastructure site as an Operator for the company that has been contracted to do the rehab works. We are rehabbing the old open cut mine progressively and I can see the site improving on a weekly basis. Its amazing to see photos of what the site looked like two years ago compared to today. Although we are in a drought, it is obvious where areas of the pit have been reshaped and planted with seed or trees to regenerate the land. Malabar Coal genuinely appear to care and be committed to turn the old open cut into an area that they can be proud of. I also believe they are planning on lodging an application for a solar farm which I think would be terrific to help create greener energy for the area.

I am fully supportive of Malabar Coals application for an underground coal mine and wish them all the best for getting the project approved. The opportunities this project can bring for future generations in this area is exciting and needs to be considered. We have a local Mining Skills TAFE in Muswellbrook, wouldn't it be great to see the next generation of underground miners come from this local learning institution.

Kind regards,

**** N.B I wish for this letter of support to remain anonymous and do not consent for my name or personal details to be published****