

Attention Manager-Mining Projects

Development Assessment Systems and Approvals

Planning and Infrastructure

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Sydney NSW 2001

20 April 2014

Dear Sir/Madam,

RE; I am writing in relation to Modification 4-Invincible Mine Extension (07-0127 MOD 4); and Modification 2 Cullen Valley Mine Extension (DA 200-5-2003 MOD 2).

I strongly object to both modifications for the following reasons.

- The town of Cullen Bullen is already supporting several open cut Coal mines which are negatively impacting on the town and community & environment, and quality of life.
- As this open cut mine will be only app. 400-500 meters from the entire length of my small hobby farm, s rear fence I will be exposed to increased threats to my health because of damaging particles released into the air from open cut mining as is already happening for the past 12 years from the current active open cut coal mines on 3 sides of me.
- Under ground blasting close to my town and property may and has caused damage.
- There will be increased threats to the health and well being of children living in town and the children attending Cullen Bullen Public school from even more open cut mining and blasting only 1 000, meters away, as proposed.
- I currently back onto pristine state forest which I walk and use regularly to enjoy the many rare animals and their biodiversity, should this open cut coal mine go ahead it will degrade land in every direction and impact on the value of my home badly.
- I expect at least a 1000 meter buffer zone from all our rear fences to protect my and the town of Cullen Bullen, s social values and amenities
- I expect a 5km buffer zone around Cullen Bullen Primary School to protect it from being closed down , in the future
- It is unreasonable for mining activity to continue 24hrs a day, 7 days per week so close to the town

- There will be a great loss of habitat for the native plants, animals and birds that live in the Ben Bullen State Forest
- The open cut mining will devastate the landscape and scenery of Ben Bullen State Forest
- Mining under the pagodas by any means threatens them to partial or total collapse.
- The beautiful pagoda escarpment along the Great Dividing Range will be irreparably degraded by open cut mining which approaches to within 50 metres.
- I and the community will be locked out from a very large part of public land for at least 21 years. I expect to be able to access public land freely.
- I support the NSW National Parks and Wildlife Service wish to add the Ben Bullen State Forest to the conservation reserve system as a matter of priority; it is an area of outstanding natural values.
- The open cut poses risks to the quality and quantity of westward-flowing surface water, and the quality of eastward-flowing ground water.
- I therefore ask that this destructive mining proposal be rejected entirely.

In the devastating event that this proposal does get approved, I request that these conditions be placed on the mine;

- That they must buy my property ,(No. 8 Pine Tree Ave Cullen Bullen NSW 2790)which runs the full length of the mine, at full market value plus relocation costs. They have done this for Garry Munzzer and others in Cullen Bullen. As I will be suffering 21 years of blasting, dust, bulldozer & truck movements, and insufferable on going noise and vibrations which I already endure from existing mining activity.
- Conditions are set requiring that the mining company purchase an eligible landholders property at the request of the landholder at any time at market, and not industrial, rates.
- That the operations commence at 0700hrs until 1700hrs 5 days a week.
- That no activity occur within a 5 km radius of the town of Cullen Bullen.
- That blasting be restricted to 1000hrs to 1400 hrs only.
- There be a 500 metre stand-off zone from all pagodas and white washed caves at the rear of my property,
- An independent flora assessment be carried out by the Department of Planning & Infrastructure prior to such an approval.
- There is no transport of coal on public roads under any circumstances.
- A cumulative health impact study is conducted of the area within a 30km radius of the proposal area.
- The proponent acknowledge within its public communication, documents and all related reporting that it can not replace the critically endangered ecological communities it will permanently destroy.

I declare that I have not made any reportable political donations in the past 2 years.

Yours faithfully

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