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McPHILLAMYS GOLD PROJECT SSD-9505

This is a submission regarding the Regis Mine activity at Kings Plains, Blayney, 2799. I most strongly object to the proposal and there are a number of real concerns about the mine and the impact it will have on me personally and Blayney and surrounds.

- 1) Most importantly, to me personally, is the air quality as the township is only 5 kms (as the crow flies) from the proposed mine. I have a condition called Idiopathic Pulmonary Fibrosis and air quality is a great concern. I have oxygen 24/7 and I am sure there are many more people in the town with numerous lung problems and other conditions that would feel the same, we don't want to have to live inside all the time to avoid pollutants in the air or struggle when we go out. Once the air is polluted there is no way to "unpollute" it.
Fresh air is a precious commodity.
- 2) Also something quite frightening is the plan to cap/plug the water springs that cover the area where the planned tailings dam will be located. This sounds a dire proposition in these days of drought and increasing temperatures that we are told will only get warmer as time goes on. Water will be a priority and any changes to the source of the Belubula River is surely not on.
Water is a precious commodity.
- 3) The people of Kings Plains are living under extremely stressful conditions at the moment, not knowing what their future holds and they are suffering healthwise. They have no notion what to do, their properties are continuing to drop in value because of the mine and they can't move on even if they want to. Mental stress is a big issue.
Health is a precious commodity.
- 4) The land itself and the beautiful trees and animals that live there will be gone. The habitat that has been supporting their lives will be ruined. All this has been there for generations and will be destroyed and no matter how hard they try, it can never be replaced the same as it was before.
Land is a precious commodity.

I am a long time resident of Blayney, 22years, and feel that surely the country around us here should NOT be used in this fashion or a mine be located so close to our township of BLAYNEY. It is on our front doorstep and detracts from the beautiful location and surrounds of the township.
Civic Pride in our township is also very important.

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