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**McPhillamys Gold Project SSD-9505**

I object strongly to this proposal. I have lived on our property for over 50 years working and maintaining the land and property to ensure its longevity for future generations.

1. This gold mine, Regis if allowed to go ahead, getting extra water from Lithgow which Sydney did not want in the Cox river which runs into Warragaula Dam, Sydney's water supply.
2. Putting a tailing dam in the head waters in the Belubula risk of contaminating our water in the river, which is valuable. This could ruin the springs which keep the river running during the day periods.
3. I cannot understand how anyone could allow this to be put there at the head waters of the Belubula which runs into the Lachlan river down to South Australia, especially when water is so precious. Regis ends with the gold and the people that are left to take all the risks and dangers.
4. Open cut will cause draw down and stop the river flowing and underground water producing valuable water for many years, which will not only last the lifetime of the mine but will be there for ever and ever. **Will Regis be there for ever and ever?**
5. These springs that are under the tailing dam are a natural source of flow for the river in dryer times when the river has no runoff into it therefore keeping the system charged for any rain event which will allow the river to flow into Carcoar Dam. This is an act of nature which keeps the system fluid.
6. Given my 84 years' experience if you tamper with any springs the results are unknown where they may end up. **Does Regis know the answer?**
7. We produce clean chemical free accredited grass-fed beef and have previously grown vegetables (cauliflower, potatoes, peas etc) plus many other crops. This area of prime agriculture land should not be at the risk of contamination and water difficulties by this mine development. **What guarantees can Regis give us that this development will not affect our business and livelihood?**
8. We have the opportunity to benefit from this project in terms if residential building blocks to sell however, given the overwhelming environmental damage and destruction of this project, it far outweighs any potential short-term gains.
9. I have worked many years to put this land together. We feel if this project is to go forward not only will we be affected by risk of contamination and water losses, but the price of our land will be jeopardised. **How is Regis going to compensate this?**

I have lived on our property for over 50 years and we have built and looked after the river and land to the best for us and our children and grandchildren. I think it's an absolute disgrace to let Regis go ahead with this mine at the headwater of the Belubula River. It will destroy the whole beautiful valley and river into the future.

Sincerely,



Mrs Julie Price