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MCPHILLAMYS GOLD PROJECT SSD - 9505.

As a longtime resident of this area I would like to register my strong opposition to the proposed establishment of the McPhillamys Gold Project at Kings Plains. I will keep my submission short as there are many more qualified objectors making detailed submissions regarding the possible catastrophic effects this will have on the environment.

MAJOR CONCERNS

- Pollution of the Belubula River, size of the tailings dam. (We are aware of the mess at Cadia which is 40kms from us.)
- The destruction of 3,000 hectares of prime agricultural land.
- Possible contamination of water coming in pipelines from Lithgow - containing metals etc used to wash down roads, bunds etc.
- 24/7 mining activity WILL result in visual pollution, lights, noise and dust.

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- The obvious impact on native flora & fauna
- The huge increase of heavy vehicles on our roads. We have been told trucks etc will be on the Cuyong Rd - this is unmarked & totally inadequate for heavy vehicle traffic.

We live 4 kms from the proposed site, my husband's family is 3rd generation, farmers in this region & we have been told by a Regis representative that we will see the lights, hear the noise & definitely be affected by the dust 24/7 as this is when the mine will operate.

While this will impact heavily on our life style (and that of 2 of our adult children & their young families living in the area) it almost seems insignificant when compared to the longterm impact this project could have on the environment and future generations.

Regis has been bombarding our local paper with promises of jobs, donations of

take stock seedlings etc... Everyone is aware that the jobs created from this project if it goes ahead will be minimal & certainly won't come from the Blayney Shire, they will be from larger regional centres & bigger cities. Surely the long term adverse effects associated with this proposal far outweigh the few jobs that will be created.

Hopefully some informed, intelligent Committee members from the Dept of Planning Industry & Environment will be able to look at this proposal & see the potential damage to the environment & lifestyles of many people in this area, and therefore put a stop to it.

* I Declare that I have not made any
POLITICAL DONATIONS in the last 2 years
 . 20/10/19.