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6th December 2019

Atten: Director – Coal and Quarry Assessment
The Department of Planning, Industry and Environment
GPO Box 39
Sydney NSW 2001

Dear Sir/Madame

Public Submission for SSD – 7293, Sancrox Quarry Expansion Project

We are land owners of Lot 12 Le Clos Sancrox and live locally at King Creek.

We strongly object to the application to expand Sancrox quarry. Reason being the quarrying activity is in conflict with what we want to do with our land and submit in support of our objection:

- We have been anticipating the closure of Sancrox Quarry (Hanson Construction Material Pty Ltd) for several years. The last thing we want is to see it continuing to operate.
- Residential development already exists in very close proximity to proposed quarry extension.
- One major issue is that of existing (never mind increasing) ‘truck and dog’ type traffic. We refer the to heighten traffic and safety risk posed by quarry “Truck and Dog” type traffic to our family and friends and visitors in motor vehicles, bicycles, jogging or on horseback being met on Sancrox Road, Frogs Road round-a-bout, at the Le Clos Sancrox and Sancrox Road intersection, at the Sancrox and Rowdon Island Roads intersection, along Sancrox, Rowdon Island and Fernbank Creek roads. We have already had a family member have a serious motor vehicle accident with a Quarry truck on Sancrox Road.
- Allowing the quarry to extend will involve the “clearing of 43.1 hectares of native forest vegetation, 0.55 ha of which is identified as the threatened ecological community Subtropical coastal floodplain forest

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(NR117)" with serious and irreversible environmental impact. (Ref: DA, Annex C)

- The application involves a quarry operation on different land to the existing approved operation.
- We object to the visual view of landscape scarring; it is a depressing sight.
- We object to us having to take the risk of damage to buildings from blasting vibration.
- We object to us having to take the risk of fly rock. Such risk could be fatal.
- The Greater Sancrox Area Structure Plan (Port Macquarie Hastings Council, 2014), identifies the land to be cleared as medium to high activity koala habitat. More recently the Draft Coastal Koala Plan of Management 2018 (CKPOM) produced by PMHC identifies the area as core koala habitat. The clearing also destroys an identified critical link needed to maintain vegetation connectivity for animal movement.
- There has been substantial noise increases already (24/7) due to the upgrading of the Pacific Highway.

We DO AGREE to the Department publishing my submission on its website in accordance with The Department of Planning, Industry and Environment Privacy Policy

Yours faithfully

Warren Martin