The Manager

The Department of Planning Industry and Environment

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Sir or Madam,

Subject: Hanson Heidelberg Application SSD 9946 for a new quarry at Sancrox NSW or See website https://www.planningportal.nsw.gov.au/major-projects/project/9946

I am the owner of Lot 36 Le Clos Sancrox. My land is located near to the proposed new Sancrox quarry. I am aware of the Hanson Environmental Statement (EIS) on exhibition until 26 November 2019 and I am very concerned that the statement fails to address issues under the categories listed below:

Myths are being perpetrated, e.g.

There are no other supplies of rock in the area, or a quarry within 200km; **More accurately** there are ample Reserves closer at Bago 20km from Sancrox and there are several Hanson competitors with local operating quarries.

Inconvenient truths are being avoided, e.g.

A very large portion of the proposed new pit is a "medium use" Koala habitat.

There are most serious omissions from the EIS, e.g.

No mention is made of the existing houses located on Le Clos sancrox, the nearest of which is less than 1km from the edge of the proposed new quarry and the proposal currently being considered by PMHC to rezone the whole of Le Clos Sancrox as residential, the closest parts of which will be approximately 300m from the southern edge of the proposed new quarry.

There are inconsistencies, e.g.

Page 39 of the EIS shows the bitumen plant being coal fired. Page 40 of the EIS shows the bitumen plant being gas fired.

There are unwanted impacts not addressed, e.g.

There may be a higher concentration of dust particles in the air within the region for the next 10 to 30 years.

There are considerations not given enough attention, e.g.

Port Macquarie is the fastest growth area in NSW and all future development is to the west, It has less residential lots than it has quarry rock.

All development in the growth corridor west of Port Macquarie and towards Wauchope is important both to the local area and to the state of NSW. The community need for good quality quarry material must be in balance with the social and economic costs of its extraction. It is important that the approval processes at every level of Government be rigorously applied to ensure the balance is correct.

My land is part of an estate of some 51 Lots of about 2 Ha each. All Lot owners have combined to make an application to the Port Macquarie Hastings Council, at their request, to rezone the land from Rural to Residential. The standards we have experienced appropriately being applied at the local level for approval of our application are indeed robust. Our expectation is that an even more robust process be applied in consideration of a State Significant Development application for a quarry in an area where there is an existing and rapidly growing residential community and, also, a most sensitive ecological zone.

I request that you make enquiries and take initiatives to ensure that the approval processes and standards being applied at every level of Government are rigorous, fair and balanced. In particular, that you look into the matter of Application SSD 9946 to validate its meeting these criteria.

I look forward to and await your response to this letter.

Yours faithfully.

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