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Wambo Mine, Modification 12, Southern Longwall Modifications.

Dear Jesse.

Please accept my objection to Modification 12 Wambo Mine.

My objections to Modification 12 are as follows

- Subsidence from the underground mine has cracked Wambo Creek and caused important permanent pools to be destroyed. These pools provided drought protection for wildlife and farming activities. This problem has not been satisfactorily addressed despite numerous court cases and agreements with affected landholders.
- The proposed modification to the underground mine and extension of the open cut will cause additional environmental and social damage that has not been adequately assessed.
- Information has been misleading within the application:
- Table ES1 Subsidence commitments and management does not recognise outstanding & unresolved commitments under current approvals. There is still work required on neighbouring property as well as Wambo owned land from previous mining impacts.
- The modified mine layout of South Wambo Underground mine is shown on figure ES2 – this shows workings under neighbouring land as well as Wambo Creek and impacting on Wambo Road as well as power and communications assets.
- There is no clear assessment of threats to public safety.
- The groundwater and surface water predictions are questionable (Table ES-3). Both the aquifers and the streams have been seriously impacted by previous mining and have not been adequately dealt with. Further mining will cause more damage.
- Noise and dust predictions do not take into account the current emissions from the open cut and the washery. Dust and noise are now excessive to the predictions in the EA for the current mine.
- The justification for the modification demonstrates that past approvals were based on poor and inaccurate information.
- Only token community consultation has occurred.

- The plan was developed in 2012, application submitted in September 2012, and then withdrawn. The reappearance of the modification in 2016 raises many questions.

Yours sincerely

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