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PLEASE DELETE PERSONAL INFORMATION.

HOWLONG SAND AND GRAVEL EXPANSION PROJECT (SSD8804). WE BOTH STRONGLY OBJECT TO THIS PROJECT PROCEEDING IN REGARD TO THE LETTER RECEIVED RELATING TO THE LEASE (30 YEARS EXTENSION) 30,000 TONNES INCREASE) TO 330,000 TONNES PLUS A RISE TO 80 HEAVY VEHICLE MOVEMENTS PER DAY.

SERIOUS CONCERNS ARE HELD FOR THE EXTRA HEAVY TRAFFIC PASSING THROUGH HAWKINS ST. HOWLONG'S MAIN ST AND EXITING ALONG STURT ST. INTO VICTORIA. IN A LIMITED DISTANCE THE VEHICLES WILL HAVE TO PASS THE GOLF & BOWLS CLUB RESORT, PRIMARY SCHOOL, CHILD CARE CENTRE, CHILDREN'S PLAY GROUND, TENNIS COURTS, FOOTBALL AND CRICKET OVALS, SWIMMING POOL, PONY CLUB, AND THE MOST DANGEROUS THE NURSING HOME FOR AGED IN STURT ST.

ANOTHER SERIOUS CONCERN INVOLVES THE ENVIRONMENT. WE BELIEVE THAT AS THE SAND AND GRAVEL EXPANSION CONTINUES AND THE PIT DEEPENS THE UNDERGROUND WATER THAT SEEPS INTO THE QUARRY HOLE WILL THEN HAVE TO BE PUMPED BACK INTO THE MURRAY RIVER.

THE BLEND OF THE RIVER WATER AND UNDERGROUND WATER COULD BE A TOXIC MIX THAT WILL WIPE OUT THE ENTIRE MARINE POPULATION.

ALSO WHEN THE UNDER GROUND WATER FINALLY DRIES UP THE GARDENS OF HOWLONG FOR WHICH IT IS WELL KNOWN WILL DISAPPEAR.

THERE IS ALSO A CONCERN FOR THE STORAGE OF FUEL AT THE SITE WHICH COULD FIND ITS WAY INTO THE MURRAY RIVER. FINALLY NEITHER MY WIFE OR MYSELF BELONG TO OR DONATE TO ANY POLITICAL PARTY.