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Rocky Hill Coal Project – Application No. SSD-5156

Dear Sir/Madam,

We are totally opposed to the Rocky Hill Coal Project.

We are opposed to any more mines in the Gloucester area. The Rocky Hill mine will be the beginning of the end for this wonderful town. If the proposed mine goes ahead then the scenic beauty of the Gloucester valley will be irreparably damaged, this will lead to a dramatic drop in tourist numbers. Claims of financial benefit to the town will be lost by the decrease in visitors and the loss of jobs in tourism. We have been visiting this area for numerous years and are yet again dismayed to hear about the above project. An open-cut coal mine within 5km of Gloucester and within sight of the Bucketts Way will have an impact on the visual amenity of the area. The mine will risk the jobs of hundreds employed in the tourism industry. Gloucester's clean, green image needs to thrive and grow. We want industries that enhance the rural area and promote our claim to fame of being the gateway to the Barrington Tops World Heritage area.

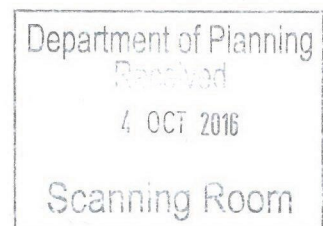
This mine is proposed only 900metres from the residential area of Forbesdale. These residents will carry an unacceptable burden and will be impacted by dust, noise and loss of amenity, resulting in risks to their health and loss of property value.

The Health impacts from open-cut coalmines are well documented. With most of Gloucester township, including the hospital and schools, falling within the 5km health impact zone of the Rocky Hill mine. This places a large percentage of the population at risk. Those most affected by the health impacts are the very young, the elderly and the sick.

The application for the Rocky Hill mine should not be approved.

Yours faithfully,

Brett & Amanda Doyle



We have not made a reportable political donation.