Via NSW Department of Planning website, Martins Creek Quarry Expanions – Application SSD 14_6612

NSW Department of Planning Major Project website

I would like to oppose the Martins Creek Expansion because of the impact on our property and the damage it is doing to the Goswick bridge, and the roads to Patterson and beyond.

My partner and I have a property 2 km's from the quarry and we have a creek that runs the length of our 48 acres. We purchased our property in 2013 and at that stage the quarry was a very sleepy one and didn't operate very much at all.

We had moved from Raymond Terrace where we had also had problems with the RAAF base with the noise pollution from the fighter planes. We sold there because of the plane disturbances for an out-of-town life style, beautiful and quiet, not knowing that we were coming up to yet another thing that we would have to fight for.

In the short time we have been here the creek runs on and off as the quarry has been known to dam it. We have a great deal of wildlife and fauna. We have had platypus, koalas, echidnas, possums, bandicoots and lots of bird species that live around our creek. We have noticed when the creek has water there can be a white milky look to it and when it dries up, there is a white deposit left on the rocks.

We have noticed the decline in the condition of the roads. The Goswick bridge has been worked on since we moved here in 2013. It is an old timber bridge and wasn't made to have that much load on it.

I work in Raymond Terrace and have to travel the road twice a day in the mornings. I come out of my driveway and turn into Claire Ave only to have to line up behind 4 to 5 BDoubles and if I don't take the Martins Creek Road then I go through Paterson which is more of a hold up.

I have attached some beautiful pictures of the wild flowers we have found on our property so far. This is on our property We found this bandicoot at the back end of our property. We have no idea why it had died as there were no marks on him.



This is a native Anticinus which we have found them around the house



Natives flowers on our property which are very hard to find.







Thank you for your consideration of the above. I look forward to an early response to my concerns regarding the matter of the proposed extra truck movements.

Kind regards Gayle Dobson 255 Dungog Road MartinsCreek