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Martins Creek Quarry Expansion Application Number SSD-14 6612

Dear Sir / Madam



**I Oppose the Martins Creek Quarry Expansion**

- The township of Paterson has a history reaching back as far as first settlement in 1804. The wonderful remains of this early settlement are slowly being destroyed.
- The continual stream of excessively heavy vehicles is ruining the roadway as well as destroying houses and premises close to the side of the road.
- People who have lived in Paterson for generations or have settled in the past few years have settled here because of the peace and quiet, the flora and fauna and because of a slower, safer lifestyle. This is being taken unfairly away from them.
- The streets of Paterson were first designed for bullock teams or horse and cart. The same streets remain with some patched tar over them and they now are expected to carry massive trucks on a continual basis.
- The streets are now a danger to cross especially for young children or the elderly with the constant stream of heavy vehicles especially in the vicinity of the grocery store and the King Street and Duke Street intersections. The main street from the Duke / King Street intersection is a tragedy waiting to happen; something should be done before this tragedy happens.
- The ever increasing blasting and production noise from as early as 6.00am is very disruptive for retired, elderly, school children and shift workers
- The increase in production creates noise from a very early hour and produces asthma creating dust which lands over the whole township in increasing amounts. Dust does not discriminate, it affects everyone from babies to the elderly.
- Real estate prices for those who have chosen to settle here are going to be worthless in time to come.

Everyone who lives in Paterson realises the need for road making materials which are sourced from Martins Creek Quarry and also the fact that sources of this product is fast disappearing at other sites.

No-one wants to see others needlessly out of work be it production workers, drivers or managers however, surely, commonsense plays a part when lives are at stake. The danger of a serious accident increases daily with the ever increasing number of excessively heavy vehicles being driven over rough unsafe and below standard roads. Something must be done before this tragedy occurs. This could largely be alleviated by increasing the transport of product by rail instead of road.

I have not made a reportable political donation.

