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NSW Department of Planning

Re: Martins Creek Quarry EIS

I wish to register my objection to the above expansion as it totally fails to comprehensively address the traffic issues and the loss of community amenity. Daracon has utilised EPA loop holes to operate unilaterally over recent years, totally unlawfully, without consequence. This EIS process is a sham as they seek to use it to nullify current legal proceedings regarding their breach of consent conditions.

The severe deterioration of the town's amenity and safety, should this proposal be successful, will lead to many of our local businesses either closing or being scaled back with resultant loss of jobs. Most of these businesses existed before Daracon came to town so I believe Daracon should fit in with the community and not arrogantly impose their commercial aspirations on the broader community.

The stated reserves and operational life span I believe has been grossly overstated by Daracon and would not be validated by independent analysis. If their figures were correct then it would certainly prove that the State Government sold their asset too cheaply to the current owner.

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