

To Whom It May Concern,

I'm writing to express my opinion and strong objection to the proposal of the Ammos Resource Management Pty Ltd sand mine at Bobs Farm.

Bobs Farm is a place full of great community spirit, a place full of families who love to farm and love the outdoors, some of which have had their properties in their families for years and years to come, and a place the homes an amazing 100 years old school which has a great reputation and wonderful school spirit, also a place which is home to many families and businesses who thrive on environmentally sustained living.

Personally, I grew up in Bobs Fam in a house my parents built themselves, where they still live now, I also attended Bobs Farm School for my primary school years, along with me three sibling who did as well.

Firstly, I would like to state that my parents too this day have not had contact, letters or information from the mine owners themselves, except for a poorly advertised community meeting which most people in the community were not aware of. Considering the proposed mine borders onto my parents' property, this is disgraceful, unprofessional and a great reflection on how the mine may be run in the future. Something as big as this mine that's is going to ruin 36.1 HA of land in the middle of a community, should not be run in such a reckless and carefree way, towards the resident of bobs farm who many of which have live their whole lives.

The school children are also of great concern, some of these issues are:

- The poor air quality and health risk coming from the silica dust and also all of the extra trucks.
- Noise pollution, effecting their ability to learn without losing concentration due to the loud trucks.
- Around 180 trucks (which is approximately one truck every three minutes) causing hazard of being so close to a school full of small children (aged 5 to 12), where the risk of being run over is much higher with the extra traffic, as the kids often walk, ride, or go out of the school gates to go to busses or cars to be picked up.

Parents of the children in the school don't deserve to have the worry of whether their children are going to suffer health wise, or be compromising their education, or be in potential danger when going to school, and also this 100-year-old school deserves to stay alive.

The effects that this mine will have on my parents and many other families will be life changing. Considering the amount of properties and families that will be heavily impacted by this mine, it should be a major factor in determining this mine proposal should pass.

It has not been proven that the silica dust and lower air quality will not have detrimental effects on their health. It has been proven that silica dust can cause cancer. Also, the effected water table will cause issues to these families, as most of them rely on ground water to live day to day, using it for farming, feeding animals, showering and daily needs, especially in periods of low rainfall when their fresh water tanks are low. Their fresh water tanks also are risk of pollution and contamination from silica dust and diesel particulate fallout which will be potentially harmful as well.

As I have lived in Bobs Farm for the majority of my life and frequently visit there to this day, I have experienced the increasing traffic issues coming out of Marsh Road and entering Nelson

Bay Road (heading east), especially in peak holiday periods. The added 180 – 200 trucks daily for six days of the week is going to take a toll on the roads, impacting on their quality and the safety of the road and adding to the already overcrowded traffic in peak holiday times.

There are so many negative impacts this mine will have, including already mentioned air quality issues, water quality issues, hazards to school students, roads and traffic impacts, lack of professionalism shown by Ammos Resource Mgt. Pty Ltd, but also the ruination of so much beautiful land and bush habitat housing much flora and fauna, some of which I believe is endangered already. Top this off with the destruction of ancient sand dunes, and most importantly, the destruction of an amazing close-knit community which will struggle with day-to-day life if this mine goes ahead.

Please take into consideration the community and families whose livelihoods and lifestyles will be taken away and destroyed if this mine proposal is approved.

Thank you for taking my submission.