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Dear Ms Anderson

As a former *EcoNetwork Port Stephens Inc* executive committee member/moderator for their Facebook page, former convening group member of *Salamander Bay Community Group* plus the local Facebook page and formerly the *Mambo-Wanda Wetlands Conservation Group*'s Facebook moderator I object to the proposed Bobs Farm sand mine on the grounds of negative social, environmental and financial impacts.

Cheers Kassia

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The Bobs Farm sand mine proposal acknowledges that there are over 1200 hollow bearing trees at the site and that 877 will be bulldozed within the 25 ha of native forest that will be destroyed. That's a heap of habitat about to be destroyed.

Submissions need to be in to the NSW Planning Department by Friday.

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Hunter Water says a controversial sand mine proposed at Bob's Farm should not go ahead, to protect the local aquifer from pollution risks and water loss.

Ammos Resource Management is seeking approval for a sand quarry on Nelson Bay Road that would extract 750,000 tonnes of sand a year.

50 per cent of the sand would be dredged from a depth of 15 metres below the water table.

But in a submission to the department of planning, Hunter Water said that's inconsistent with best practice - which is one metre above the water table - a condition followed by all other sand mines in the area.

Hunter Water also said the company's plan to create a lake from the final void was "implausible", and a "bad land use planning outcome" that would result in 90 million litres of water evaporation a year.

Port Stephens Council has also raised concerns that the environmental plan for the sand mine contains a significant amount of inconsistencies and inadequacies.

It says the report contains inadequate flora and fauna surveys for vulnerable species, and an inaccurate representation of the extraction footprint.

The council also did not support the proposed haulage route along Marsh Road, due to traffic, noise and safety concerns for local residents and school children.

David Pass from the No Sand Mine for Bobs Farm group says the submissions from Council and Hunter Water provide strong support for their stance against the mine.

"Certainly, but there's a lot more to be said yet," he said.

"We believe everyone's going to be affected on the whole Tomaree and Tilligerry peninsulas by this proposal, certainly by increased traffic, so we're urging everyone to put in their submission and voice their concern."

Submissions to the planning department close on Friday.

