

amanda Feeney, of DENMAN NSW, made the following submission on the project:

~~Mangoola Mine - Modification 6 - Extraction Rate Increase~~



Objects to this project

Xstrata Mangoola Pty Ltd Application 06_0014 MOD 6

I would like to submit my objection to the approval of the above modification to the existing Mangoola Mine operated by Xstrata on the following basis.

In relation to the Coal Handling and processing infrastructure and stock piles; and crushing waste rock for use on internal roads within the site. It says minor modification but what are those minor modifications and as we already have excessive noise from this part of the operation this can only become worse. I don't feel that if you are a neighbour and you are not informed of the minor changes then that certainly places a significant doubt as to what will occur? Given that if the Department of Planning gives a final approval. In relation to the discharge of waste into the Hunter River through the Hunter Salinity Trading Scheme this is not a modification this is the Company requesting an entirely different approach to how they remove their waste from the mine site. In the initial approval process Xstrata Mangoola maintained that the waste would be kept onsite and not leave the mine site through holding dams a true modification would be enlarging the capacity of those dams not requesting a pipeline into the Hunter River which is a River already under stress from the delivery of waste product from other mining Companies within the Area. If the NSW Planning Department approves this and doesn't take into account the communities and other industries relying on the river including: Dairying, Beef Cattle Production, Viticulture, Thoroughbred Industry and the towns and settlements depending on water sources. Then the Department should be held fully accountable.