

## "Mangoola Coal Continued Operations" New Coal Mine

DAMSHEG objects to the Mangoola Expansion because of the long-term local and global environmental and social consequences.

These consequences include

- exacerbating climate change,
- exacerbating air pollution, daily health alerts are already being issued and Summer is months away.
- exacerbating destruction native species and habitat including the orchids *Prasophyllum petilum* and *Diuris tricolor*. These orchids were not acknowledged in the initial Anvil Hill EIS and so Mangoola proceeded on a false premise.
- The further destruction of 623Ha reduces the opportunities of plant and animal migration (as a response to climate change) offered by the Great Eastern Ranges (GER) The GER is already narrowed in this area.
- In 2014, when Mangoola sought to ramp up production neighbours to the mine gave heart wrenching accounts of the impact of noise and dust on their lives and were treated with tough minded indifference.

Mangoola mined out their lease faster than initially approved and now want to continue with ongoing environmental destruction.

We urge that you listen to young people who have realized the urgency of our catastrophic environmental situation and not approve this next coal mine in the Hunter Valley.

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