16 February 2021

## RE:- Cadia East Gold/Copper Project - Modification 14

## My submission is to OBJECT TO THE ABOVE

For years now we have put up with the dust coming from the mine throughout the district. It has been considerately worse since the collapse of the North Tailings Dam Wall. We have been experiencing constant dust events. The dust can't be good for our health or the health of our stock and it is important that Cadia manage the dust immediately and continue to pull out all stops to make sure that it NEVER happens again.

There is no doubt that Cadia is not meeting with air quality standards and a small \$15,000.00 fine is not enough if they continue to expose us to all the mine elements as a result of miss management. **I OBJECT.** 

I am strongly opposed to the proposed lift of the North Tailings Dam facility.

The collapse of the wall to date has not been repaired. This is due to lack of knowledge as to how to actually repair it to a satisfactory standard but once that is done, the proposal is to make the wall another 40mts higher.

Cadia cannot possibly guarantee that we will not be affected by another dam wall collapse and to think of putting another lift on this wall is totally unacceptable and **I OBJECT.** 

"Old Errowanbang" is along Flyers Creek and the flow has definitely been affected since mining operations commenced. Cadia is obviously taking more than their fair share of water from our waterways. This has to stop and with increased mining being proposed at Cadia, they will be looking for more water which in turn will deplete our precious water supplies for all those on Flyers Creek.

Also, it has been proven that the waterways including the creeks and rivers in the Cadia district have all been contaminated with Mine product. **I OBJECT.** 

"Old Errowanbang" has two historic buildings on it. The Original 1<sup>st</sup> homestead built by William Lawson the Younger in 1826 and the "Old Errowanbang" Woolshed built in 1886.

Both buildings are Heritage listed and the thought of them now possibly being affected by a proposed Tailings Dam Facility as a result of test drilling on the next door property, "Meribah" is devastating to say the least. "Old Errowanbang" was allotted to Mr John

Harries as a Soldier Settler block in 1952. Since then it has carried out primary production depending on the Flyers creek for water and the exceptionally good soil.

The homestead and Woolshed have played an important part of Australian History and should the proposed Tailings Dam go ahead, they this history will be shaken up to the core and there would be not quality of living for us here at "Old Errowanbang" to have a Tailings Dam at our back door.

Cadia are the biggest landholders in the district and have property that could be used for the new tailings facility. Properties like "Caringle", which has always been ear marked to be the 3<sup>rd</sup> tailings dam. Keep them out of the Errowanbang Valley.

So once again, I OBJECT.

I would also like to point out that this community was totally unaware of the Modification 14 taking place. We were being treated as mushrooms and the Modification 14 would have slipped though without our knowledge. Very unprofessional from Planning Industry & Environment who's job it was to inform us in writing but neglected to do so. My letter dated 05 February was received in the mail on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> February. After the original closing date. It was also addressed to Mr Richard Harries, who has not resided on "Old Errowanbang" for over 10 years.

As neighbours to the Cadia Mine we have lived alongside and tried very hard to work with noise, dust, construction, lights, road traffic etc. All at times very off putting.

I have no intention of seeing the mine close, this action will be devastating for the communities around the mine who benefit financially from their support. I would however impress on you to make sure that the mine carry out definite improvement to appease the locals to curtail the Modifications at the levels intended.

Yours Faithfully

JANN HARRIES

Note:- I have made no political donations in the past 10 years (or ever)