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Dear Party

Fingerboards Mineral Sands Project: Closing Submissions, On the Papers and Information Provision

Closing submissions

- 1. The Proponent must upload their written closing submission to the Project Dropbox by **9.00am Tuesday 20 July 2021**.
- 2. Represented Parties (East Gippsland Shire Council, Mine Free Glenaladale and the Environment Protection Authority) and others who have been granted leave by the Inquiry and Advisory Committee (IAC) must upload their written closing submission to the Project Dropbox by 9.00 am Thursday 22 July 2021.

On the papers

- 3. As foreshadowed, the Inquiry and Advisory Committee (IAC) proposes to receive written comments on the environmental management and planning documents post the completion of the Hearing.
- 4. It is important to note that this process is undertaken on a 'without prejudice' basis. This means that the IAC are undertaking this process without indicating in any way what the IAC might recommend in relation to the Project as a whole. Similarly, parties can participate and provide comments without resiling from their opposition or support of the Project in principle.
- 5. The following schedule for the process is proposed.

Action	Timing
Circulation of draft Environmental Management Framework (EMF), Mitigation Register, Risk Treatment Plans, and Incorporated Document by Proponent.	Circulated 16 June 2021 except for Incorporated Document. The Incorporated Document must be circulated no later than 12 noon on Friday 25 June 2021.
Written responses to the circulated drafts from represented parties.	12.00 noon Friday 9 July 2021
Any additional changes from Proponent as a result of the responses from represented parties.	12.00 noon Friday 16 July 2021
Suggested changes from represented parties and all other submitters in writing.	12.00 noon Friday 23 July 2021
Final position of Proponent on documents.	12.00 noon Friday 30 July 2021



- 6. Comments should be provided on the documents in 'track changes' with comments in the margin as necessary.
- 7. All represented parties should provide their documents and written responses to the IAC at Fingerboards.IAC@delwp.vic.gov.au and all parties on the evidence distribution list.
- 8. All other submitters should provide their suggested changes to the IAC at Fingerboards.IAC@delwp.vic.gov.au.
- 9. After the Proponent provides their final position on the documents there will be no further opportunity for parties to provide comment unless sought by the IAC.

Information provision

- 10. The IAC project staff are liaising with the Proponent to determine the outstanding information from IAC Requests for Information.
- 11. As the Hearing is drawing to a close the IAC expects there will not be new substantive information bought forward, noting that some information may need to be bought forward to respond to submissions still to come.
- 12. Responses from the Proponent to all outstanding requests for information must be provided by **12 noon on Friday 25 June 2021** except with the leave of the IAC.

If you have queries please contact Amy Selvaraj via email at Fingerboards.IAC@delwp.vic.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

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Chair, Fingerboards Inquiry and Advisory Committee