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As addressed

Dear Party

Fingerboards Mineral Sands Project Inquiry and Advisory Committee – Submissions on other submitters

Last week the Fingerboards Mineral Sands Project Inquiry and Advisory Committee (IAC) received correspondence and submissions about other individual submitters.

Please note the IAC is not receiving or considering submissions about other individual submitters as this is not relevant to the IAC's task which is to inquire into the *environment effects* of the Fingerboards Mineral Sands Project (the Project).

It is not the IAC's role to inquire into the interests or alleged behaviour of submitters to the process. The IAC has been aware since its appointment of strong feelings in the community about the Project but has sought through the assessment process to focus on the broad range of *issues* we are charged with considering.

Submitters are encouraged to focus on the *issues* in dispute in the assessment as this most assists the IAC in preparing its advice to the Minister for Planning.

The above comments do not apply to the submissions about public entities who may be involved in the regulation of the Project if it were to be approved. The IAC notes there have been significant submissions about, for example, Earth Resources Regulation at the Department of Jobs, Precincts and Regions and the Environment Protection Authority.

If you have questions, please contact Amy Selvaraj at Planning Panels Victoria at Fingerboards.IAC@delwp.vic.gov.au.

Yours sincerely,

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Chair, Inquiry and Advisory Committee

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