Submission Cover Sheet

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Fingerboards Mineral Sands Project Inquiry and Advisory Committee - EES

Request to be heard?: No

Full Name: Dr Roisin Maree Kinsella

Organisation:

Affected property:

Attachment 1:

Attachment 2:

Attachment 3:

Comments:

I have grown up in East Gippsland and know it to be a beautiful part of the world. We have precious resources including the lakes, river systems, gullies, old growth rainforest as well as beautiful beaches, national parks and very fertile land on the Lindenow Flats which makes up a million dollar agriculture and vegetable growing business. The area of east gippsland is known as a tourism hot spot for our many natural wonders. The area around the proposed mine site contains many beautiful trees and grasslands and I am concerned for the health of the ecosystem if this mine goes ahead. As a local General Practitioner in the community, I am concerned for the health of our local people as the sand and dust from this mineral sands mine needs huge amounts of water to operate and the risks to human health is so far unknown. After the completely devastating bushfires we have had in East Gippsland in 2019/2020, hasn't our land suffered enough? We continue to destroy natural habitat for the sake of money and to what end for out health and wellbeing? I am totally against this mine as i think our local community could benefit economically from more funding into agriculture, tourism and green energy.