## **Submission Cover Sheet**

## **Fingerboards Mineral Sands Project Inquiry and Advisory Committee - EES**

	<b>Request to be heard?:</b> No - but please email me a copy of the Timetable and any Directions
Full Name:	Wendy Kinsella
Organisation:	
Affected property:	
Attachment 1:	
Attachment 2:	
Attachment 3:	
Comments:	I have lived in East Gippsland for 40 years and know this to be a beautiful natural part of the world. Having grown up in a farming family, I know the importance of being a custodian of the land and looking after our precious and finite natural resources for the sake of ourselves as well as future generations. I feel this mine will not only impact on the health of our local community but will also have far reaching consequences for the ecosystem. This mine is only 500 metres upwind from the 155million dollar vegetable industry which is the food bowl of Victoria. I also worry about the impact long term on the health of the land and the soil. East Gippsland is a tourism hot spot and people come here to get away from the cities and spend time in nature. Our natural world is being slowly, but surely destroyed for the sake of money and 'economic growth,' but to what end? Where and how will our grandchildren live when they inherit the land in 100 years time. With global warming, bushfires, floods and droughts, we need to spend more money on investing in green energy as opposed to mineral sands. This site also contains Aboriginal sites of cultural significance and all of the local indigenous people I have spoken to are very against the mine going ahead. I am totally against this mine going ahead.

