
Request to be heard?: No

Full Name: Lauren Short

Organisation:

Affected property:

Attachment 1:

Attachment 2:

Attachment 3:

Comments: I wish to object to the mineral sands project going ahead. I have a number of concerns around this project including the excessive amounts of water proposed to be taken from the Mitchell River. This is an already stressed system which has struggled in recent years to remain healthy and the amounts of water proposed for this project are significant and will have an impact on this system and surrounding environment which is not positive or building towards improving our natural resources. In addition I have concern around the potential dust generated from this project and the impact of this on the surrounding areas. While it has been listed as environmental impacts being at 'acceptable levels' I would question what an acceptable level is and have serious concerns about the impact of dust, waste product etc entering our water and environment and the the short and long term impacts of this. This is especially relevant given the position of this project in an area which currently provides significant amounts of local food and produce. I would argue that what is proposed is not in fact an acceptable level but exceeds it. In addition I have concerns about this much resource being taken from our local land by a company which is predominately foreign owned as there will be little gain to local communities from a financial standpoint. I am not in support of this project going ahead and feel it has not been adequately thought through. I have grave concerns for the impact on our environment in a truly beautiful part of the world which is relying more and more on tourism and fear the negative impacts will be irreversible.