## **Submission Cover Sheet**

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

	Request to be heard?:	No - but please email me a copy of the Timetable and any Directions
Full Name:	Paul Sparks	
Organisation:		
Affected property:		
Attachment 1:		
Attachment 2:		
Attachment 3:		
Comments:	These documents are very long winded and felt like done in a way to make it overwhelm to the public. Due to having to work fulltime I was not able to read all in time permitted, but parts I did read of studies around the storage of mine tailing and dams didn't take into modelling for floods impacts or impacts heavy elements seeping into what is natural springs in the area to underground water which I feel is major concern. The area has never seen a 365/24hour operations of this size before, while there might be tractors operating at night it is seasonal as you get break from it. Mining is not new to the area after all at the turn of the 1900s the Bairnsdale school of mines exists, but the area is now well known for tourism and ag produces, I don't feel we have a need for mining of this scale in the area specially one so close the river system, The Bairnsdale school of mines closed around 1968 due to radiation levels from processing raw ore materials some 50years after it was done, I am very fearful what legacy this project will have on the area if approved just for the sake of few jobs, specially when other mineral sand projects are in the pipeline areas more feasible for sea freight as closer to countries that want this type of mineral.	

