Submission Cover Sheet

Fingerboards Mineral Sands Project Inquiry and Advisory Committee - EES

Request to be heard?: No	
Full Name:	Nicholas Boyd Temby
Organisation:	
Affected property:	
Attachment 1:	
Attachment 2:	
Attachment 3:	
Comments:	The East Gippsland region is unique in the biodiversity it struggles to retain under the strains of farming and forestry destruction enterprises as well as the pressures from abnormal climatic conditions which have a vast impact on flora, invertibrates, reptiles, birds and mammals, the aquatic system through this region is structured on a high flow regime being on the East side of the Great divide, impacts on this flow have vast reaching and devastating repercussions from impact sites to esturine reaches that are structured biodiversly over milennia for an average variable flow, changes outside these norms cause dieback and lack of vital habitat and secondarily erosion degradation causing silting and reduced environment quality. The proposed industry has very little positive return for the region. The mine would consume a vast quantity of water annually and will have a negative impact on the region. potential for the polluting water and air from excavating, tailings and aquafer is unacceptable. The mine site will devastate a vast area, regeneration processes do not compensate historically.

