Submission Cover Sheet

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Fingerboards Mineral Sands Project Inquiry and Advisory Committee - EES

Request to be heard?: No

Full Name: Coralie Nichols

Organisation:

Affected property:

Attachment 1:

Attachment 2:

Attachment 3:

Comments:

Please do not go ahead with the destruction of important agricultural horticultural aquacultural and indigenous significant land. Any short term gains of employment will be far outweighed by the loss of employment in the destruction of the above industries that have used the green clean image to establish this area as important primary produces. The amount of water required from either the Mitchell or Latrobe rivers \ aquifers will destroy the Lakes system. Farmers have for decades complained of the lowering of the water table and increase in salinity in the soil as more bores are sunk. Fisheries and tourism in the Gippsland Lakes will be devastated by more water being removed before it reaches Lakes Entrance. Then there's the dust then roads not built to cope with the increased traffic. The rail has not been duplicated across the Avon so has only a limited ability to carry. This is total disaster and there are many more issues that could be added.