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**Request to be heard?:** No - but please email me a copy of the  
Timetable and any Directions

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**Organisation:**

**Affected property:** [REDACTED] Glenaladale

**Attachment 1:**

**Attachment 2:**

**Attachment 3:**

**Comments:** My wife and I bought our property in 2010, with a view to semi-retirement there. Not a big deal, just somewhere to go to get out of the rat-race of Melbourne. Had lots of fun, and lots of grief too, but it's ours. One of the major reasons we bought the place is my favorite hobby is Astrophotography, which requires a dark sky with no glow from lights from cities, towns and yes, mines that run 24 hours a day. My purchase of the property, and the following works including 'shearers quarters', fire prevention, dams for wild animals, has been a labour of love, all done with the view to retiring, and enjoying what is one of the best views of East Gippsland, day or night. On a clear day, our view is from Bullumwaal area, over Lindenow, down to the Gippsland coast, and around to over Sale and Traralgon in the distance, and takes in nearly 270 degrees of clear horizon. At night, the view above is even more impressive, with the Milky Way galaxy, and several other galaxies on display to the naked eye. When the telescope/s come out, it's simply jaw-dropping. It becomes a contest to see whats next! For example, look up Sombrero Galaxy, Andromena Galaxy, Orion Nebula. We've sat there and counted 21 satellites go overhead after dusk!! And the proposed mine will destroy the lot. Our property is approximately 3 kilometres from the proposed mine's north west boundary. They plan to run the mine 24 hours a day. They will need lighting to do it. Lighting that will spoil my hobby, and probably the value of my land, now and in the future. Then there is the noise. Again, we are a long way from a bitumen road. Whilst photographing the stars early in the morning (4-5am) you can sometimes hear the wild dogs howling maybe 15 kilometres away. Silence, that is not a common commodity. Once gone, cannot be replaced. I'd imagine a mine, running 24/7, 3 kilometres away will take that away as well. Thats just my take on the situation. Of course, there are so many people who have way more than us to lose. Farms that supply Melbourne with some of the healthiest vegetables, companies who employ people to grow, harvest, pack and transport the vegetables to market; landholders who will have their land values drop... The water usage required, and where it comes from... And so many other reasons that this mine should not proceed. In my humble opinion, the proposed mine will do \*way\* more damage to Glenaladale and surrounding areas, and of course, not to forget the Gippsland Lakes. Once poisoned, there's no going back for decades.... And there are several examples to learn from.....