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:	Ashley Dougan
Organisation:	
Affected property:	
Attachment 1:	
Attachment 2:	
Attachment 3:	
Comments:	Dear Council, I write to make a submission opposing the proposed Kalbar open-cut mine at the Fingerboards. I have a close relationship with this region, and it concerning that the state Govt would consider this proposal, considering it would likely be between 350-700M away from primary food production areas, and would use 3 billion litres of water, that, if taken, may endanger the biodiversity of the Gippsland Lakes region due to decreased water levels. Another concern I have relates to pollution. Mines of this type have the danger to pollute a water supply, Either through mineral dusts, or direct leakage through the water table, which has serious implication on food production, biodiversity, and human life in this region. Further, this amount of water taken from the Mitchell River creates an increased fire risk, which, after The 19/20 bushfires, should be a major consideration of yours. We implore you to reconsider this application and not approve it.

