

Submission Cover Sheet

Fingerboards Mineral Sands Project Inquiry and Advisory
Committee - EES

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Request to be heard?: No

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Organisation:

Affected property: [REDACTED] Mullumbimby NSW 2482

Attachment 1: Fingerboards.docx

Attachment 2:

Attachment 3:

Comments: See attached submission

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29 October 2020

I **DO NOT** support the Fingerboards Mineral Sands Project for the following reasons;

- The mine proposal is in close proximity to the Heritage Listed Mitchell River
- Negative impacts on the vast vegetable growing areas of the Mitchell River flats
- Radioactive dust and heavy metal contamination
- Mitchell River is a water source
- Significant Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Area
- Impacts on residential and agricultural land
- Noisy
- Greenhouse gas emissions
- Altering flows of the river system
- Runoff from the mine impacting aquatic biodiversity
- Changes to groundwater levels
- Remnant vegetation including 400 shade and habitat trees will be removed
- No guarantee of rehabilitation
- Destruction of EPBC ecosystems
- Destruction of habitat of rare and endangered species
- Destruction of creeks and waterways
- Contamination of wetlands
- Chemical use for example, flocculants are toxic
- 9 rare and endangered species occupy the site
- 2 nationally listed and 2 state listed protected species occupy the site
- Native fish, turtles and platypus depend on the health of the waterways that will be impacted
- Runoff will adversely affect the Gippsland Lakes

Yours sincerely,

Karen Hodder