

# Submission Cover Sheet

Fingerboards Mineral Sands Project Inquiry and Advisory  
Committee - EES

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

**Full Name:** Terri Eskdale

**Organisation:**

**Affected property:** [REDACTED]

**Attachment 1:**

**Attachment 2:**

**Attachment 3:**

**Comments:** I live on Raymond Island, a small island off Paynesville in the Ramsar listed Gippsland Lakes . I believe the proposed Kalbar mine would be of great detriment if it were to go ahead. The Mitchell river which supplies the township and surrounds with drinking water and then flows into the lake system would suffer . Farmers in Lindenow, some of whom have been farming for generations will be affected as far as water supply is concerned and there is a threat to air quality. Surely pre existing employment that provides healthy food crops Victoria wide is important, also if farmers had more water allocations they could increase the number of people they employ. In drought time we householders and farmers are put on water restrictions, this is likely to happen more as our climate changes, if the mine goes ahead we may be on permanent water restrictions. Aboriginal culture and heritage has been given no value whatsoever. Our region relies on tourism and a clean green image , this would certainly be affected , as well may our very health due to air and water quality being tainted . This proposed mine is too close to the Mitchell river, existing farms and townships and threatens the very health of our natural environment .