
Request to be heard?: No

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Organisation:

Affected property:

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Comments: Dear Inquiry and Advisory Committee members, I am writing in response to the EES conducted by Kalbar for the Fingerboards Mineral Sands Mine Project. As a young person who has grown up in and been able to experience the beauty of East Gippsland I am extremely concerned about the negative effects the Fingerboards Mineral Sands Mine will have on the region. As Kalbar's geochemistry report states, there are a number of cancer-causing, radioactive substance that will be present in the dust generated. Given that the mine is as close a 500m to the Mitchell River Valley vegetable industry, the potential for contamination as a result of this toxic dust is far too high. If such contamination was to occur the 2000 people that the industry employs may find themselves out of work and the \$155m/year these farms create would be lost. This would be devastating on the region and those who live and work within it. The food bowl that the East Gippsland region is blessed with is an invaluable resource, which if contaminated would destroy the lives of so many people now and in the future. Ruining jobs and having an immeasurable impact on the global climate. I am a young person who has been able to grow up in the amazing, unique, and insanely beautiful place. I hope that this part of the world is able to keep its beauty for generations to come. It would be horrible to see the destruction of this place over my lifetime. I would also like to bring up that the inexperience of Kalbar in relation to projects of this type is shocking, their inexperience can only lead to more destruction of the land. I hope that the committee thinks about people, our environment and the future of our world over insignificant financial profit. Thank you for the opportunity to make this submission.
Regards Diane Roderick