
Request to be heard?: Yes

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Organisation:

Affected property:

Attachment 1:

Attachment 2:

Attachment 3:

Comments: We have the following issues and concerns about the project: 1/ Proposed Water Pumping station on the Mitchell River located close to our property (I believe this is Option 2 via Perry Gully in the Infrastructure options area): (i) Noise concern – If this option is approved for the water pumping station, we believe it is both reasonable and possible to keep the noise level (as measured at our property) below the current minimum ambient noise levels at all times, particularly during the evening and night periods. Installing the pumping equipment inside an insulated concrete structure (or similar) should be able to achieve this result. If not, the constant sound during evening and night periods will have a significant impact on the liveability of our property and our own health and well-being. (ii) Visibility concern – If approved, we believe it should be possible to position the pumping station and the associated pipeline so that neither are visible from the current house yard of our property. The beautiful rural view over the river and surrounding area is a key feature of our property and the quality of life available there. A visible pumping station and/or pipeline so close to the property would be very detrimental to us. 2/ Mining operations and associated transport activity: (i) Dust concern - Increased dust contamination on our property, particularly when prevailing winds are blowing from the area of mining activity towards our property. Areas at risk include: a. Breathing air quality for ourselves and visitors. b. Household water supply, from building roof run-off into water storage tanks. c. Stock water supply from three dams on the property. d. Electricity supply from on-roof solar panels that will accumulate dust. (ii) Noise concern – Our main concerns regarding mining operations and associated activity relates to the evening and night periods of operation: a. According to the Kalbar Noise and Vibration Assessment provided to us, it should be possible to keep the noise level from the mining operations close to the current minimum ambient noise level as recorded at our property during the day period using the noise mitigation techniques Kalbar have outlined in their proposals. b. During the evening and night periods the noise estimates provided indicate that the noise level will exceed the current minimum ambient noise levels by meaningfully amounts on a regular basis. As permanent residents, it is not acceptable to have our primary relaxing and sleeping times disturbed in such a way. It is likely to have a significant negative effect our personal health and well-being. We recently met with Kalbar representatives to discuss these issues are awaiting confirmation about timing for a noise level test. Our overall preference is for the mine not to proceed. However, should it be approved, we respectfully request that the concerns we have raised in this submission are dealt with to our satisfaction as part of the approval process.