

# Submission Cover Sheet

Fingerboards Mineral Sands Project Inquiry and Advisory  
Committee - EES

# 864

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Request to be heard?: No

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**Organisation:**

**Affected property:**

**Attachment 1:**

**Attachment 2:**

**Attachment 3:**

**Comments:** See attached submission

DEAR INQUIRY AND ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERS

I AM STRONGLY AGAINST THIS FINGERBOARDS MINERAL SANDS MINE PROJECT

DURING MY 70 YEARS ON THIS PLANET I HAVE WATCHED HELPLESSLY WITH HORROR THE DEGRADATION OF THE ENVIRONMENT AND FOOD BOWLS WORLD WIDE I CANNOT THINK OF AN INSTANCE WHERE I HAVE SEEN A MINING AREA THAT HAS BEEN REHABILITATED BACK TO PRODUCTIVE FARMLAND.

FARMING CAN BE ONGOING GENERATION AFTER GENERATION, MINING IS VERY SHORT TERM.

HAVING A MINE SO CLOSE TO A MASSIVE VEGETABLE CROPPING AREA SEEMS TO BE COURTING DISASTER AS AN ACCIDENT ONLY HAPPENS ONCE TO MAKE THE AREA TOXIC AND WATER CONTAMINATION WILL MAKE CROPS UNUSEABLE.

TAILINGS DAMS SEEM TO HAVE A HABIT OF FAILING AND WOULD NEED TO KEEP TOXIC MATERIALS BACK FROM FARMING AREAS FOR POSSIBLY CENTURIES

WHAT AGRICULTURAL PERSUITS COULD BE CARRIED OUT ON THIS LAND AFTER REHABILITATION??

DOES REHABILITATION ONLY MEAN ~~MAKING A LAKE~~ USING MASSIVE AMOUNTS OF WATER TO TRY TO MAKE A HUGE LAKE IN THE POROUS SANDY HOLE??

I COULD POINT OUT PERCEIVED PROBLEMS ALL DAY BUT SURELY WE HAVE ENOUGH PUBLIC SERVANTS EARNING LARGE WAGES WHO SHOULD KNOW WHAT THE PITFALLS ARE WITH A PROJECT LIKE THIS.

AN ILL CONCEIVED IDEA MIXING MINING AND CROPPING USING OUR PRISTINE WATER TO WASTE  
COME ON VICTORIA GROW A BRAIN!!