



Planning Panels Victoria

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As addressed

Dear Parties

Fingerboards Mineral Sands Mine EES Inquiry – Further Inquiry and Advisory Committee (IAC) member declarations

Mr Wimbush and Mr Ginivan

As outlined at the Directions Hearing on 31 March 2021, members Mr Wimbush (Chair) and Mr Ginivan note that as long term current and past (respectively) employees of the Department of Environment Land Water and Planning and its various predecessors, submitter Mr Waller was also employed in the same agency, albeit in a different portfolio.

Neither Mr Wimbush or Mr Ginivan worked directly for Mr Waller or vice versa and at the time the agency employed in excess of 3,000 staff. To the best of our knowledge Mr Wimbush and Mr Ginivan have not worked in the same organisation as Mr Waller since about 2014.

This declaration is made in the knowledge that Mr Waller has requested that a site visit of his property be undertaken by the IAC which is planned to occur on an accompanied basis in the week of 12 April 2021.

Dr Gibbs

Member Dr Gibbs proposes to provide training to groups, including groups associated with Dairy Australia, on the new Victorian Environment Protection Act which is due to commence on 1 July 2021. The training sessions are likely to take place over the months of May-July on days when the IAC is not sitting. Member Gibbs will not be providing specific advice to individuals or groups as part of the training sessions and will ensure that no matters relating to the Fingerboards Inquiry are discussed during those sessions.

Please let the IAC know as soon as possible whether you have any concerns with the above declarations, and if so, the nature of those concerns.

If you have any queries, please contact Amy Selvaraj at Planning Panels Victoria on fingerboards.iac@delwp.vic.gov.au

Your sincerely

Nick Wimbush

Chair, Fingerboards IAC

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