## **Submission Cover Sheet**

## Fingerboards Mineral Sands Project Inquiry and Advisory Committee - EES

	Reques	t to be	e heard?	: No
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**Full Name:** Elfian T Schieren **Organisation:** Affected property: Attachment 1: Attachment 2: Attachment 3: To the Minister for Planning and the East Gippsland Shire Council I wish to voice my **Comments:** absolute and complete objection to the Kalbar Mineral Sands Fingerboards Mine. I am outraged that the council in one hand is promoting the joining with Ecotourism Victoria and developing East Gippsland as a top class ecotourism destination whilst simultaneously allowing the development of a toxic, short term mining industry which threatens our community, environment and economy. You cannot both develop the region as a food bowl and ecotourism destination, and undercut this potential with a mining operation. This mining operation directly threatens our water supply and quality, right in the heart of our most significant food growing area. It also threatens our local economy with short term jobs that will ultimately damage other local jobs in the long term. The damage to our waterways will spread into our delicate lake system and potentially destroy one of East Gippslands biggest draw cards for tourism. It is an absolute disgrace that this is even being considered and I am appalled that obvious personal greed and gain is taking precedence over sound management. It is your responsibility to make decisions that will support the region in a long term sustainable way. You will be remembered for these decisions you make. As a life time resident of this area and passionate, active community member I ask that you vote no to this horrific project threatening our region. Rest assured that if you do not you will be met with overwhelming community opposition. For the sake of our community health, our environmental integrity and economic

sustainability this mine must NOT happen!!!! Sincerely Elfian Schieren W Tree 3885

