
Request to be heard?: Yes

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Organisation:

Affected property: [REDACTED] Lindenow South, Vic 3875

Attachment 1:

Attachment 2:

Attachment 3:

Comments: Dear Inquiry and Advisory Committee Members, I am writing this submission about the EES for the Fingerboards Mineral Sands Mine project at Glenaladale. As farm owners in Lindenow South, we are very concerned about the dust that will settle on our farm and surrounding areas. The Mine area is subject to strong winds especially north westerly winds. Also the Lindenow-Glenaladale Road that travels past our farm will be subject to heavy truck traffic from the mine, damaging the roads. We are also extremely concerned about the proposed water usage by the Mine. We are currently in October and our surface run off has been very low and our dams are still only about two thirds full due to the drought we have been experiencing. How can the Mine justify using 3 billion litres of water per annum (the whole of Bairnsdale, Paynesville, Metung, Lakes Entrance & surrounding areas only use a little more than that per annum). Water is desperately needed for the health of our rivers, lakes and waterways as well as the Vegetable growing area in Lindenow, which Victoria needs. We could all end up on permanent water restrictions as a result! We have been through one of the worst droughts in history, then devastating fires & now COVID-19 & now, you are considering proposed decimation of our beautiful countryside! Clean Water, Clean Air, and Clean vegies are required for us to survive - we do not need paint tinting, ceramics, mobile phones & computers to survive! We live in one of the most beautiful parts of Victoria & Australia & this region survives on Agriculture & Tourism - we don't want to be known as a mining town with all the implications that go with that such as the Balmoral district in Western Victoria which has never recovered. Kalbar is a new company that has never mined before. We attended many meetings with question & answer times that have never been addressed. Their paper advertisements have been full of very misleading statements and I believe that the comments they have made in the EES about the Agricultural sector are not factual & should be researched well before making any decision. I would also suggest that your 'decision making team' visit the area & the mine site before making your life changing decision for this region! Thank you for the opportunity to respond to the EES & give you our thoughts on the proposed mine. Sincerely. Roslyn & Bernard Seymour