

# Submission Cover Sheet

Fingerboards Mineral Sands Project Inquiry and Advisory  
Committee - EES

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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



25.10.2020

Dear Inquiry and Advisory Committee members,

I am writing this submission about the EES for the Fingerboards mineral sands mine project, as I strongly oppose this mine.

Recently I observed the mine area and we are disgusted that a site for a mine and tailings dam are proposed so close to and above the Mitchell River and farmland.

Tailings dams have a great risk and history of leaching and water runs downhill.

I have lived in this area of natural beauty for 63 years. We fought against damming the Mitchell River and now it will be under a greater threat.

Have the writers of the EES report actually visited the proposed mine site?

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Unless there is a 100% guarantee this mine will not affect the following, it should not go ahead. The consequences would be disastrous.

- Water Supply - Bairnsdale and district.
- Farms - vegetables and livestock
- School - children
- People
- Air quality - dust
- Aboriginal heritage sites
- Tourism
- Underground water
- Mitchell River, Lakes system, Oceans,
- Habitat for wildlife
- Tranquility of country living - noise, trucks.

Rehabilitation will never be able to replace ancient trees, wildlife, creeks, gullies and the underground water table. The dangers of drinking or falling into a tailings dam are yet another threat to our local native animals.

It would have to be greed that leads man to keep decimating our beautiful country for short term gain, leading to long term pain.

The matter of compulsory acquiring private land outside the mine site for infrastructure should not be allowed. It should be determined by E.G. shire council.

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I thank the Panel members for the opportunity to make this submission.

June Nilsson