

Submission against Deep Creek Quarry SSD - 11591659

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I strongly object this development based on the following points

- Koala habituating this area are in danger and since the last objection written, I am of the belief that the Koala classification has changed from protected to endangered. This Quarry will disrupt the local Koala population and the damage will be irreversible. As a proud Australian we should be fighting developments like these extremely hard as their lives depend on us.
- Too many residences will be affected. WE all depend on the water caught off roofs for our drinking water and the air quality will be affected especially when blasting occurs. The dust will settle on our roofs and the damage will be done.
- The recent banning of Rhyolite on the 13th December due to the toxic harms should automatically cause this quarry not to be approved. Rhyolite is the main substance given in the submission that will be extracted
- Rhyolite when blasted, cut or upset out of its natural state can create air borne spores that can produce Crystalline Silica which is 4 x more harmful than asbestos. Unfortunately my father died from Asbestosis and died a slow death at the hands of James Hardie and their disregard for personal safety over profits. I do not want me or my family to suffer a similar fate and this is a disaster. The independent board are aware of this recent banning and to approve a quarry that its main intent is to provide the same raw material is beyond belief and I believe if the independent board approve this development and something does happen as we fear. The blood will be on their hands along with the organisation that is doing the mining.
- The people behind this quarry are blatant liars and if given permission to operate will continue to lie and deceive. Their information has been carefully curated with no regard to the truth. I can guarantee that we have all not been spoken to or listened to in the consultative process, which then questions the whole project as due process has not been followed, no matter what has passed before.
- Road safety – Bucketts Way is already a disaster, approving this quarry or any other on the Bucketts Way will cost lives as the large vehicles running to corporate deadlines will provide too much traffic.
- The economic benefit to the region is all rubbish, it will provide less than 10 long term sustainable roles but damage the lives and livelihoods of up to 60 families located in a very dangerously close proximity to this project.

The list of conditions if this mine was to be somehow approved is long but at this point I am going to believe in the system and the decision makers and trust that a NO vote will be passed immediately

I can be contacted on [REDACTED] for any further comment.

Kind regards

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