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Subject: Deep Creek Quarry.

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New South Wales Government Independent Planning Commission

Deep Creek Quarry (SSD-11591659) project.

I wish to reinforce my objection on the proposed quarry and access road, on the grounds of a severe health condition: "hypersensitivity to diesel particulate."

I plead with you not to allow this proposed access road to be approved, if it is approved that is final and I feel it will be too late for me. The mitigation measures I have suggested are only a last resort in case you all feel this access road needs to be approved. We would not of purchased this property if we had known the access road was going adjacent to our property.

I will attach the letters from my doctor and respiratory specialist recommending for myself to live in a relative diesel free environment.

I already feel I am a prisoner in my own property as I rarely leave home, but I feel this proposal has the potential to make me a prisoner in my own house and making my property unusable during operating hours.

I have read the Development Consent and

recommendations by the DPE. Although I do not agree with some of the recommendations, the large amount of information regarding this project it makes addressing each concern in detail almost impossible in the time available. However, I feel I need to address my main concern, being the access road location.

In the Development Consent they refer to an experts report on the effects of diesel particulates, I feel the report may have inadequacies with respect to addressing people that are already highly sensitized to diesel particulates such as myself.

I question the validity of the experts report as far as they appear to negate all responsibility on quoted references. I also question the decision being recommended by the DPE while not taking my doctor and respiratory specialist views into account. I am sure the independent commission are aware, as stated in the NSW duty of care law 2002, you cannot knowingly affect a person's health or wellbeing.

I refer the IPCN committee to this report and would appreciate the chance to more detail my concerns with that report if they wish.

As this access road location has the potential to affect my health very adversely, I believe it should not go ahead, but if it is approved, I wish to suggest some mitigation measures that could be considered before the development is fully accepted:

1. Make a minor change to the proposed access road route remove the dog leg with a straighter path from The Bucketts Way between the two dams further west, as far as possible closer to the back of our property as shown in the map attached.

This change would still satisfy the requirements of the quarry proposers but will effectively move the road further from my home, eliminating the dog leg and less potential of diesel particulates flowing over our home.

- 2. A thick mature tree screen to be planted along our boundary fence and Lot 552 DP1238818, I consider this would help with the adverse visual impact of the access road, and more importantly may lessen the impact of diesel particulates.
- 3. Install diesel particulate monitors between the access road and my home before the project commences so that both the quarry management and myself can continually monitor diesel particulate levels to obtain some sort of benchmark for particulate level variations and correlate those variations with my diesel related health effects over the life of the project.
- 4. The proposed truck movements of around 50 trucks (max) in an hourly period seems to me to be very high considering the closeness of the access road to my home, especially when there is a real threat to my health. Reducing these numbers would lessen the impact.
- 5. Along similar lines, the truck movements could be reduced to Monday to Friday only at least giving us (and all The Bucketts Way users) some relief from heavy haulage transport over weekends, thus reducing diesel particulate levels further.
- 6. Due to my unique circumstances, if this proposal is accepted it then is too late, I feel it to be only fair if mitigation measures implemented are not enough for a safe home environment and my health or quality of life is affected a voluntary acquisition of my property to be optioned in the conditions of consent.

Kind regards Mark Lancaster.