

Mount Pleasant MOD3 Submission

As a permanent employee of Thiess Pty Ltd at Mount Pleasant Operation I fully support the MOD3 currently under review. Prior to being employed at MPO I was a contractor in the industry working fulltime in a position that should have been considered permanent.

This project has provided me with a secure job and stable income and as a single woman this is very important to me. While I reside in Singleton, I often shop in Muswellbrook, buy most of my fuel in town and utilise other services available in the town.

It disappointed me to see the recent negative light put on the mining industry in the area recently, especially by those who have previously worked and no doubt gained by the Industry when it continues to provide job opportunities in the area and also puts back a lot into the community through a number of different avenues and events. And while these articles do not always single out specific mining operations, Mount Pleasant is being tarred by the same brush as other more long standing ventures. The mine is very close to the Muswellbrook township, but I see daily the commitment and great effort made to ensure compliance of the strict operating conditions that form part of the current Consent by both the mine owner MACH Energy and Thiess as the mine operator.

I believe there is a lot to be gained by approving MOD3 and allowing Mount Pleasant to continue providing job opportunities and support to the Muswellbrook and wider Upper Hunter communities.

Regards

