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Support Vickery Mine

I hereby support the Vickery Mine as it is important to the local area, local economy and NSW economy. Mining and mine construction creates tremendous job growth and sustainability in areas helping us all prosper.

I was living and working in Gunnedah in the late 90's knowing full well the impact on the area and the lack of jobs when the mines closed. Now the mines in the area employ directly and indirectly thousands of people. The mines and mine expansions in the area allow growth for families and local business creating long term job prospects for our youth.

NSW mines are important for NSW and Australia returning \$1.3 billion a year in royalties.

NSW mines use only 1.5% of the state's water having minimal impact on the state's water needs.

Regards,

Geoff Palmer