Submission objecting to the Moolarben Coal Mine Stage 1 and 2 modifications

1. The recent Rocky Hill Mine judgement is relevant. In comparison, this modification proposal for 3mtpa, is three times greater than the Rocky Hill planned output.
2. The location is at the far head waters of the Goulburn River. There are significant impacts on the river eg salinity and hence the biodiversity downstream.
3. The mine is *now* intercepting much more water from the landscape and the river than originally predicted.
4. An increase in product coal to 22 million tonnes per annum until 2038 is unsustainable and will not meet our required global carbon budget to achieve the Paris Agreement.
5. The cumulative impacts of mining on the Goulburn River and Hunter system are too great.
6. The updated groundwater model needs to be independently reviewed.