I object to Rix’s Creek South Mod 10.

It is outrageous that there was unassessed impact of the almost 100 hectares of mining outside the Rix’s Creek Mining Lease. It is even more outrageous that there is a request to continue unassessed impact of the mining for a further 9 months. It is difficult to see how it could even possibly be construed to be lawful.

The impact of the mining in the Camberwell district on air quality is significantly unacceptable. At midday today, May 27 2019, the report of the rolling average concentration of PM10 particles for the day was 88 ug/m3. The hourly averages reported today were midday:379.5ug/m3, 11am:277.8ug/m3, 10am:357.2ug/m3, 9am:194.7ug/m3 whereas the 8am report was 45.2ug/m3.

The proposed extension of Rix’s Creek Mine to 2038 must be considered in the light of the Rocky Hill decision. We have a climate crisis. The chance for restricting global warming to provide for a safe climate recedes with every new tonne of coal burnt. There must be no new coal dug.

Rix’s Creek South Mod 10 should not be approved. The original development consent was given in historical conditions very different to now. The conditions of approval to manage the impact of the proposal as it was perceived then did not have the benefit of the information available now. The impact of the current approval on air quality and human health is clearly not acceptable, even from just the real time monitoring. It is improper if not unlawful to approve unassessed activities that have a significant impact.