

## TAHMOOR SOUTH COAL – OBJECTION KEY ISSUES

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I am particularly concerned about the following areas found in the conditions of consent:

- Predicated impacts for residential homes in Bargo.  
The impacts noted of maximum subsidence in Tahmoor. Maximum subsidence was 2 to 2.3 over predictions. Continued subsidence in Tahmoor is ongoing.
- Bargo has Potential for increased subsidence also.
- Impacts are expected on built structures and natural features, including but not limited to Thirlmere Lakes, houses, roads, railways, water, sewerage, waste, gas and electrical and telecommunication.
- Mine subsidence building regulations will make it more expensive to build in Bargo, which will deter people from building in the area.
- The 2000 houses in the proposed Bargo growth area are expected to experience impacts from subsidence also.
- Rezoning and subdivisions during mining will likely be refused.

Many of the key issues raised in the Departments assessment report and recommended conditions fail to address the needs of the people who reside in the areas of likely impact. The right to live in a healthy natural environment with solid homes and infrastructure now and in the future.

### STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT

As a resident of Wollondilly for 31 years, I was unaware, as were many other residents, despite so many stakeholder engagements of the proposal of this mine.

The first notification I received regarding the mine was this year, January or February 2021 in a pamphlet drop to my home.

### SUBSIDENCE

There are predictions of subsidence impact of up to 1650mm putting many homes into the risk category of R3-R5, whilst no one home owner can be sure if their home will be significantly impacted, it is just not worth the risk.

The reports submitted by MSB disclose a large number of mine subsidence claims submitted by residents in the region during the Tahmoor North project. The maximum predicted subsidence impact was lower than the 1650mm maximum subsidence predictions for Bargo and there were a significant number of rejected claims.

Local residents impacted by Tahmoor North have had to fight for reparation and compensation which takes up valuable time, creates mental stress and everyday inconveniences such as cracks in walls, burst pipes, doors not opening etc.

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**HEALTH**

Dust, ash, pollution, noise and mental health. These are all issues that affect our lives, all of us, it is not ok to put trash into our backyard. Reducing the impact of the effects of mining does not stop the issues of health risk to everyone including our plants and wildlife.

**LAND CLEARING | WASTE**

I am concerned about land clearing which will affect the health and habitat of our local wildlife and native plant life.

Our area was decimated by bushfires in 2019 resulting in the loss of many plants and animals. Continued mining in our area will result in more waste and more environmental destruction. This is a disaster.

**WATER | STREAMS | RIVERS**

Mining results in destruction of our local habitat and harms animal and human health by releasing contamination into our local creeks, streams and rivers.

If Bargo River and Mermaids Pool is to survive, we need to stop the pollution.

**GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS**

Australia is committed to reducing CO2 emissions.

Let's start now, do not approve this project.