

good morning
Hi, my name is Colin Quade. I live at [redacted] which is ^{situated} on the Fifield/Trundle Road here.

My Dad settled in Trundle with his family at the age of 9 years moving from Berrigan, southern NSW. He purchased the property [redacted] in 1946. Which I then purchased in 1980. We operate a mixed farming enterprise comprising of grain and sheep.

I have been involved in the Trundle community since I returned home from boarding school in 1973. I am a Show committee member, Trundle Bush Tucker Day president and committee member, Trundle golf club president and current secretary and other committees. Trundle is a small country community with plenty of good old community spirit.

I think the mine will bring prosperity and growth to the township of Trundle and Fifield district and therefore I am not opposing the mine.

My first concern is the much increased traffic flow past Moorlands, both the size and number of trucks. We currently use the road to move farming machinery, such as header, sowing and spraying machines, to my son's property near Fifield. With increased traffic, there is a greater risk of an accident. We also use the road to walk stock to the other farm, and the increased volume of traffic will make it almost impossible to walk the sheep along the road. I hope that consideration is given to these concerns. This road is currently a quiet country road and even if it is improved, I think it is important to impose a curfew or some limits so trucks are not travelling on the road 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

I am also concerned about the impact on my property from the noise generated at the limestone quarry. I know that there will be additional noise in the area as a result of the operations at Westella but it would be very comforting to know that if the noise exceeds what the politicians deem to be acceptable levels that my wife and I might have options. If we can't live at Moorlands because the noise is too bad, certainly no-one else will want to.

I remember when the mine was first approved, there was a lot of talk about the voluntary acquisition condition in the DA, and the general feeling of comfort the neighbours held about the project was much different than it is now. I believe that voluntary acquisition conditions should be compulsory in development approvals and I certainly do not see ^{why} what this community should have the one, ^{condition} it has been relying on, for the better part of the last 20 years, taken away from it. Please reinstate the voluntary acquisition condition to give us all the security for our future that we used to have.

Thank you.

Col Quade