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Subject: Deep Creek Quarry (SSD-11591659) OBJECTION
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I Kerrylea MacDonald, owner of [REDACTED] 2324 am formally lodging my strong OBJECTION against the proposed Deep Creek Quarry (SSD-11591659) and below are my reasons for the OBJECTION.

-RHYOLITE

This is the main substance that will be extracted if the Deep Creek Quarry is approved. Rhyolite when worked by blasting, crushing or cutting produces the compound Crystalline Silica which is proven to cause lung cancer, puts people at risk of kidney disease, emphysema and silicosis.

It is stated that when working with this compound workers should wear PPE such as masks and respirators and conduct strict monitoring of the environment. The NSW Building Industry and Government met on the 13th December (same day as our public meeting for the Quarry) and BANNED THE USE OF RHYOLITE in engineering products such as benchtops and other stone products.

When dry the compound (Crystalline Silica) can be carried in the air and by the wind putting numerous lives at risk within our community. If workers have to wear PPE when handling what does that say for all of us that live in the community, we do not walk around our properties with PPE on nor should we have to!

-TRAFFIC CONCERNS AND PUBLIC SAFETY

If the Quarry is approved there will be between 110-220 movements per day on the Bucketts Way on top of the existing Large Vehicles (trucks) and school buses, cars, bikes, caravans already travelling on this road.

The safety of everyone travelling along the Bucketts way and onto the Pacific Hwy is compromised severely due to the ongoing state of disrepair to parts of the Bucketts Way, the Limeburners Creek Bridge being only one lane for the past 3 months without any work being done and the turn off onto the Pacific Hwy which is already dangerous. When turning right onto the Pacific Hwy if there is a large vehicle turning left onto the Bucketts Way you cannot see any oncoming traffic which means exiting the Bucketts Way is difficult to say the very least.

School Buses travelling (I have 2 children who catch a bus to Medowie for school) on the Bucketts Way becomes a hazard as small children are standing on the side of the road waiting for a bus with all of the extra trucks passing with at least 1 per 2 minutes going past.

-POLLUTION

Air pollution from the dust from the quarry will affect all of us in the community and as said before can lead to serious if not fatal health concerns.

Noise pollution which will change our way of life. People have lived and moved here for the serenity, the sound of bird and animal life which will become non-existent as all of our fauna will leave the area due to the noise and vibration.

Water pollution due to having no mains water we rely on catching rain water which will be contaminated from the dust from the Quarry.

Waterways being contaminated which could greatly affect the oyster and fish industries in Karuah and the bay.

-KOALA HABITAT

The Koala has now been reclassified as endangered and it is with 100% accuracy I say that we have Koalas in the area, on my back verandah, in the trees that line Fords Rd and beyond

WHEN WILL WE PUT PEOPLE OVER PROFIT FIRST?

WHEN WILL WE PUT SAFETY AND WELL BEING OVER PROFIT?

WHEN WILL WE THE PEOPLE OF THE AREA BE HEARD!!!

I Kerrylea MacDonald reiterate my OBJECTION TO DEEP CREEK QUARRY!