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**To:** IPCN Enquiries Mailbox < <u>ipcn@ipcn.nsw.gov.au</u>> **Subject:** Objection to Bowdens Silver 02062020

I have recently moved to the area, and we object to the proposed Bowdens Silver mining project. A lead mine at Lue is not inline with the identity of the surrounding community and thus will erode the value of living in this area for people, wild life and businesses. I moved to this area for its natural beauty and close community. I hope to establish a small hospitality business.

If this mine goes ahead, local small business will be negatively impacted. The surrounding small business rely heavily on passing traffic and holidaymakers as a source of income. Travellers primarily come to our region to relax in our natural surroundings, escape the industry of the city and give a little back to their rural communities. A mine in our area will make the option of visiting our community less appealing to holiday makers.

This proposed project is too big for the infrastructure of the small rural communities to take on. I want to see our communities grow by welcoming tourists enjoying the nearby wineries, restaurants and shops rather than expanding to meet the needs of this proposed mine. This project will alter significantly the character and ethos of our town and stop its progress toward being an inviting destination.

Every day I am grateful for the rich animal and bird life in this area. I do not want to see the wildlife habitats in this area to be eliminated and poisoned by lead. Lead is a toxic metal and any level of this byproduct is unacceptable to me. I strongly object to this project.

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