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Potential Bowdens mine opening

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Submission to the Independent Planning Commission

135 King Street

Sydney NSW 2000

I am writing to express my concerns regarding the proposed opening of Bowdens Mine in the village of Lue, NSW.

Even though I'm not a resident of Lue, Rylstone, Mudgee or their vicinity, some of my concerns and reasons are as follows:

- 1 First and foremost I believe that the quality of life of future generations (such as my granddaughter) depend on policies and actions to be taken immediately and in the future. I am worried about air pollution affecting water supplies and air quality, both of which will affect residents directly and the general population potentially, regarding food and water supplies into the future;
- 2 "Silver" has been used by Bowdens to name this project even though silver represents just over one per cent of the total mine's exploration, which involves the extraction and handling of highly toxic elements among them lead;
- 3 Some submissions by local residents will certainly present a broader list of concerns. A fair amount of current scientific data, obtained by Lue Action Group and available on its website, reveals that dangerous aspects of the project have been thus far concealed. For instance, Acid Mine Drainage will damage the river system downstream and will occur forever;
- 4 I object to this project going ahead, with all those negative aspects, as it may leave a door open for the approval of similar ones in the future, carrying these same damaging effects to people and ecological systems.

Kind Regards,

Pamela Dawes