
Request to be heard?: No

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Organisation:

Affected property: [REDACTED]

Attachment 1:

Attachment 2:

Attachment 3:

Comments: I am opposed to the opening of this mine as it sits in environmentally precious lands, on culturally significant lands and important farming lands. The amount of water proposed to take out of the Mitchell river and catchment areas would place a huge burden on an already fragile water system. The radioactive dust that has potential to spread to neighbouring farms is an unacceptable risk considering most of Victoria's fresh vegetables come from this area - indeed it is known as the 'foodbowl of Victoria'. There are also incredibly important Aboriginal cultural sites within very close proximity of this proposed mine. The proposed mine will also affect tourism and the attractiveness of the area, which will diminish the potential for local, sustainable jobs. This is a short-sighted money grab (from which the Australian community will not see monetary benefits from) and has the potential to lead to devastating and irreversible damage. I have been visiting this area over the last 30 years and have many friends who live in the near vicinity. It breaks my heart that these farms, families and the incredible landscape of this area is being threatened by this proposed mine. Big companies, rolling into, and rolling over, small communities is NOT what we need. A definitive NO to Kalbar and this absurd proposal for a mineral sands mine in East Gippsland.