
Request to be heard?: No - but please email me a copy of the
Timetable and any Directions

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Affected property:

Attachment 1:

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Comments: I implore the EGSC to act with a long-term view on this issue. Putting aside the short term profits of invested parties, there is so much to be lost for the residents and landscape. Aside from the immense power and water requirements (in an area already subjected to commercial restriction - hypocrisy), the health implications for our children growing up under the particle and noise burden should be far more important than any other factor. It is well established in the literature that the health of those in catchment areas of mines is sacrificed (look even at our neighbours in the La Trobe valley). The incidence of asthma, fibrosis, emphysema, atelectasis, etc, are all increased and it is the children of the region who are at the greatest risk. This should be enough in isolation to discredit the application by Kalbar; how can the health of our residents be expendable? In any case, there are a multitude of other reasons to deny the mine's approval: the local farming populace, irredeemable burden on our waterways and dependent fauna, reduction in tourist appeal, visible and horrific alteration to a beautiful part of the world with no precedent set for rehabilitation (irrespective of what is claimed in the EES - have a look at other closed mining projects for the answer as to how seriously this obligation is taken). It is imperative that the finality of these circumstances is considered: once health conditions are inflicted upon our children they cannot be undone; once a scar has been left upon the landscape it will never again be pristine; once our waterways have been altered, diminished, and diverted, recovery will be exceedingly slow and difficult, if even possible.