

**Submission
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**INQUIRY INTO CURRENT AND POTENTIAL IMPACTS OF
GOLD, SILVER, LEAD AND ZINC MINING ON HUMAN
HEALTH, LAND, AIR AND WATER QUALITY IN NEW
SOUTH WALES**

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Submission to Bowdens Silver Pty Ltd mine proposal

My name is Kristina Robinson, at present I live in Darawank on the coast but I have my place on the market to sell and move to Mudgee. My son, his wife and 1 yr old daughter live in Mudgee township and my daughter and her partner live on the outskirts of Mudgee on acreage.

I am very concerned about the proposed open cut Bowden's Silver mine at Lue.

This proposed mine is just 2kms from the local school, any exposure to lead and chemicals used in mining lead, is dangerous. Don't put our children at risk for the sake of mining lead.

Water is so important to the survival of a community and this mine is risking the whole district through contamination and usage of local water, 2 Olympic swimming pools a day, is too much water to take from the environment.

Holding poisonous materials in a dam which could eventually flows into the main water supply for so many people is not alright, the risk is too great especially when the mine say there will be leakage every single day best case scenario let's look at the worst case scenario and decide if it is worth the risk.

I have lived in Gloucester and know first-hand the loss of property value, the dust and noise a mine causes, the effect it had on my mental health and the horrible dividing of a community.

People make these decisions while sitting in offices away from Lue, try living in their shoes, these are homes where families live and grow, they will be living with the ongoing risks to their health and lifestyle, and I personally know the anxiety they will have 24 hours a day.

In this day of climate change you cannot approve anything that could be a risk to our water supply.

Please Don't Approve the Bowdens Silver Pty Ltd mine proposal.