

**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 Edward Robinson,

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

Having a daughter and son living in Mudgee is still too close to this toxic mine. That 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 children at risk for the sake of mining lead. Lead in the body is too serious a problem to risk.

Holding poisonous materials in a dam which could eventually flow into the main water supply for so many people is not alright, we all are aware accidents happen, 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.

The tourist drive from Mudgee to Rylstone through Lue tourists are shocked that the government would allow a lead mine to be built in such a scenic place. This is a tourist area bring income into small towns. Mudgee district has already lost small towns such as Wollar, Ulan and Bylong don't let this happen to Lue.

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. 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.

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