

Submission  
No 222

**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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Partially  
Confidential

I moved to Mudgee a year ago to raise my young family. I am very concerned about the proposed open cut Bowden's Silver mine at Lue and oppose it.

We know any exposure to lead and chemicals used in mining lead is dangerous. Knowing that the mine is just 2kms from the local school is concerning to me since I have a young daughter and couldn't imagine her attending school so close to such a dangerous mine.

We have seen environmental disasters happen on a regular basis and for this mine to hold poisonous materials in a dam seems to me like another environmental disaster waiting to happen. The impact of leakage or accidental release of this water is too great of a risk to take, these accidents can happen.

In our current climate crisis you cannot approve anything that could put our water supply at risk. Water is vitally important to the survival our community and this mine is impacting the whole district by not only taking too much water from the environment but also risking the contamination of water supplies.

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