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To whom it may concern,

Being a resident of Woodside, I am highly troubled by the proposed gold mine site .

The Terramin mine would draw water from one of Adelaide's major water sources, the Inverbrackie Creek catchment. This is not a water system we can afford to put at risk, least of all for a trivial mine that would last no greater than 5 years. As this creek is in the protected Mount Lofty Ranges, it seems ridiculous this proposition can even be considered.

I am also disturbed by the method Terramin plans to source this water. Despite the testing carried out, there is no way that underground blasting would not disrupt the delicate balance of the aquifer system. This water system is far too important a resource to the local environment (it's people, flora and fauna) to risk its destruction. Only those with a complete disregard and disinterest in the long term wellbeing of the community would entertain the thought of allowing this process to go ahead.

In addition to my concerns about the local water supply, I am utterly frustrated at the prospect of increased traffic in the area. The traffic in Woodside, especially at peak times, is already considerably heavy for a small town. This is an issue already faced by the local council and residents. The Nairne/Woodside road in particular experiences a huge degree of traffic, especially in the harvest season. Living on this road myself, I would be horrified if the level of traffic and noise pollution increased. The roads in general around the Woodside area are not equipped to take on the additional demands of 24 trucks from the mine. Compounding the area's already exists traffic issues seems ludicrous.

Mine sites in general revolve around taking rich minerals out of the soil, striping the earth of its natural resources and causing major disturbance and disruption to native flora and fauna. The proposed financial benefit of the Woodside mine would not even equal the current economic value of existing agriculture. Even if it did, the wealth of the land, in terms of its beauty and natural resources, is not worth jepardising for any material wealth.

Undoubtedly a mine site in Woodside would be of detriment to the environment and local residents. I am completely against the proposition of allowing Terramin to destroy the beauty and future of our local region.

I hope my views are taking into consideration.

Kind regards,
Alison Starr