

Mr Mark Howe

Mining Regulation and Rehabilitation Branch

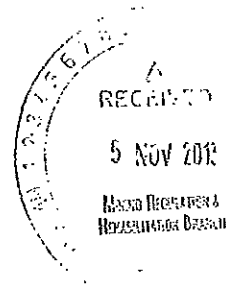
DMITRE
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Dear Mr Howe,

I wish to lodge my objection to the proposed Hillside Mine that Rex Minerals are putting forward for the following reasons,

- As an employee in Ardrossan I am wondering if the town is going to be left as a ghost town due to high rental prices and lack of support to small businesses. I hear clients and tourists saying they will never go back to towns in Queensland due to the fact that there is nothing left in the town as mines have sucked the life out of them.
- Residents at James Well and Rouges Point rely on rainwater so if that is contaminated by dust who will have to pay the cost of having mains water connected?
- Once the agricultural land is dug up it cannot be used for either farming or grazing ever again so is it really better to ruin the land for a 15 year mine instead of continuing to use it for farming which can carry on for much longer?
- Our roads can hardly be kept in safe condition by our councils now so how are they going to handle dump trucks and constant extra traffic?
- What damage is going to be done to our beaches and marine life which are big draw cards for our tourism? If tourism is damaged it will have a ripple effect on the whole of the Yorke Peninsula.
- How will people be compensated for the devaluation of their properties and farms? Just because one person is willing to live with mining doesn't mean their neighbour or a potential buyer is.
- Where will the workers be coming from? Will any local people benefit from employment opportunities?
- Will surrounding farms still be able to grow crops and graze livestock or will it be contaminated?



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I am not against mining I just don't understand why it would be allowed on prime agricultural land so at this stage I do not see the value in Hillside Mine.

I therefore petition DMITRE to disallow this proposal and look forward to a favourable consideration of this submission.

Yours faithfully,

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