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To: DEM:Mining Reg Rehab
Subject: Bird in Hand Gold Mine

As a resident of Nairne and living 10 minutes from Bird In Hand, I am strongly opposed to the proposed mine.

The state government has their priorities wrong in supporting such a short sighted endeavor. This mine will not offer the benefits that the community needs, and the employment provided is minimal and abysmally short term.

The tourism and wine industry employ so many more people in both production and sales. Ruining the water table for the immediate and extended area will impact so many primary production jobs and thus the mine has a NEGATIVE impact on employment , on balance.

Use of extraction chemicals and, lowering the water table for the local aquifer is short sighted and will not leave a legacy that either Terramin or the Marshall government can be proud of.

I'm concerned that Terramin are proposing to blast underground twice a day, every day, and feel there is an extreme likelihood that bore water (which local businesses depend upon for irrigation) will be compromised/poisoned. The blasting alone will be shocking for the neighboring businesses and revenue.

In addition, acid mine damage from oxidation, leaching acidic water and compounds will strip out embedded toxins and heavy metals in the local soil and rock. These will otherwise stay harmlessly inert under primary productions like cattle, sheep, viticulture and other horticulture. Keep our beautiful Adelaide hills from devastation, god know so many other areas are set for destruction - soon there will be nowhere as beautiful or as profitable. Allow the local industries to continue undisturbed. Use the proposed area for its current purposes.

Sincerely,

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