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To: DEM:Mining Reg Rehab
Subject: Regarding Bird in Hand Mine Proposal

Greetings, my name is Jesse Clarke and I am a resident in the Adelaide Hills area. I am writing this to voice my opposition to the proposed mine in Woodside.

While I am not someone who is generally against mining (it's hard to overstate just how important mining has been to the development of human civilisation), I am against any mining that risks ruining arable land and fresh water sources - since we have so little of both in Australia. According to Terramin's own prediction, the aquifer will drop 20 metres, while an independent study claims the ramifications of their actions can't be predicted. Terramin has not been able to give any assurances that the water will be unaffected, and thus I see the mine as a risk. Even if Terramin's own predictions are correct, it's still going to have a negative affect on local businesses (over a kilometre away).

I've no doubt that a gold mine would be extremely good for our state's economy in the short term, it is only a proposed five year project. If that land is looked after, it will continue to aid our agriculture and tourism industry, as it does now, hundreds of years into the future. We just don't know the exact affect this mine is going to have on our environment and it seems extremely short sighted to risk destroying our precious Country for a literal gold rush.

Thank you for taking the time to read my email.

- Jesse Clarke