

## Dean, Julie (DEM)

---

**From:** Nicole Frazier <nicoleleeannfrazier@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, 20 September 2019 1:31 PM  
**To:** DEM:Mining Reg Rehab  
**Subject:** NO GOLD MINE IN WOODSIDE

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
**Flag Status:** Flagged

To Whom it May Concern:

I am writing to express my fervent opposition to the proposed Terramin Gold Mine in Woodside, SA.

As a community member and employee in the Adelaide Hills wine industry at Bird in Hand Winery, I am deeply concerned with the high-risk mining activities that will be operating just next door to my place of work.

As the Hospitality Manager looking after a team of nearly 35 employees, my job is dependent on thriving local, interstate and international tourism. Guests visit our beautiful wineries because the Hills has a reputation as a clean and pristine escape into the countryside. Placing a mine on the doorstep of one of Adelaide's most popular tourist destinations will have catastrophic implications, not only for the business but for its many employees as well, along with the entire region. Nobody wants to sip on a glass of wine while overlooking the chaos and destruction of a 24-hour mining operation.

The proposed mine will tap into the local water table which the entire region relies so heavily upon, including important agricultural and pastoral activities. These industries are what have put the Adelaide Hills on the map as a world-renown region for wine and produce. Terramin CANNOT guarantee that the water table will not be negatively affected by the mining operations. Should the water be compromised, these industries will suffer drastically and in turn so too will the otherwise booming tourism industry. In a time where water is becoming more and more scarce, a mining operation that threatens to contaminate and exhaust an entire region's supply is extremely irresponsible, not only of the mining company itself, but especially from a government that would even consider such an idea.

Furthermore, let it be made clear that the way Terramin has conducted itself in its dealings with the Woodside community has been anything but admirable. Indeed, while attending one of the community meetings open to the public, I was appalled at the dismissive way in which Terramin representatives treated the legitimate concerns of the local residents and business owners. The very publications Terramin release greatly lack accessibility to the common person – the language is overly-scientific and full of incomprehensible jargon. The average community member therefore cannot fully comprehend this proposition and make an educated decision in favour of it. This is disgraceful and frankly insulting to local residents and community members.

This mine proposes small, insignificant short-term economic benefits at the expense of the long-term economic and social gain borne by the ever-growing wine, tourism and produce industries. It stands to annihilate the very image South Australia has worked so hard to build over many years in promoting the region as a clean, world-class destination. A mine does not have a place in the Adelaide Hills and is most certainly not welcome in Woodside. I vehemently oppose this mine and implore those responsible for this decision to consider the bigger picture and the long-term disastrous effects a mine will have on the community.

Thank you for your time and consideration.  
Sincerely,  
Nicole L. Frazier