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Dear Ministers.

I'm writing to you in protest of amendment C158, the proposed quarry in Beveridge North West/Wallan South.

As a resident of around 25 years in Wallan I'm very concerned with the impact that such a quarry will have on future developments in the area.

I live in the 2km radius of the proposed quarry and am concerned about the impact that blasting will have on our property. My husband grew up in a house that was near a quarry and remembers the way in which the house shook every time they blasted, the dust that was generated by the digging and the noise of all the trucks. We don't want this for our community. It will cause the value of our property to decrease significantly.

There is a childcare/kinder centre that is even closer than us on Taylors lane. I hate to think of all those small children/infants being subjected to the dust and other pollutants, which can cause all sorts of health issues, that will be blown into their environment from this quarry by the gusty winds that we get here in Wallan. My kids go to the local high school just up the road from our house and they will have similar issues being just outside that 2 km radius. It is reckless/poor planning to have a blasting quarry so close to a community and in a place earmarked for housing

With the quarry so close to the water plant our water supply will be affected. The hill next to the quarry site is called "Spring hill" which implies that there is a source of water underground there. We don't want that being contaminated and flowing on. I have been told that the creeks in our area flow into the Merri creek down in the metro area, and this would cause harm to that ecosystem as well.

The quarry is wanting to operate over a 30 year period, if we decide that we want to move within that time frame we will be hard pressed to find someone to buy our property, because people won't want to buy something that close to a working quarry. Let alone the impact that it will have on the price that we could get for our home. Also any improvements or infrastructure that has been planned for the community, such as shopping centres, etc will be delayed for that period of time. This is a growth corridor with many families moving to the area. Last year we had 1000 moving into the area which is way more than what was predicted back when the initial recommendations were made. Having a quarry will mean that the growth will drop off which will affect the economy of the town.

Placing traffic lights where indicated on the Northern Hwy will just exacerbate the already heavy flow of traffic that comes through the town. It would cause traffic to build up onto the

busy, high speed Hume Hwy at peak traffic times. This already happens on occasion but would become commonplace. The addition of the heavy trucks dropping rocks all over the place is not good for the roads or safety of other motorists either.

I sincerely hope that you will do all you can to stop such a travesty happening in our community,

Kind regards,

Sharon Yates.

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