Wednesday, 15 July 2015

Have your say on proposed modifications to the Dargues Reef gold mine

A proposal to make modifications to the Dargues Reef gold project will be on exhibition from today for community feedback.

The Department of Planning and Environment is keen to hear the community’s views on the application, which seeks to:

- extend the completion date of mining operations for four years until 2022
- increase the total ore extraction from 1.2 million tonnes to 1.6 million tonnes
- undertake final gold processing on-site using cyanide
- expand the approved on-site storage facility for the additional processing waste
- construct an area for waste rock.

A spokesperson for the Department of Planning and Environment said the local community always has an opportunity to share its views.

“Community consultation is an integral part of the planning process and the applicant will have to respond to the feedback we receive and this is taken into consideration when we develop our recommendations,” the spokesperson said.

“Applications are consistently assessed against strict environmental standards.

“It’s easy to participate by going online and we encourage everyone to take a look and have their say.”

To make a submission or view the environmental assessment, visit www.majorprojects.planning.nsw.gov.au. Submissions can be made from Wednesday 15 July 2015 until Wednesday 26 August 2015.

Written submissions can also be made to:

The Department of Planning and Environment
Attn: Planning Services
GPO Box 39
Sydney NSW 2001

The EA is also available to view in person at:
• Department of Planning and Environment, 23-33 Bridge Street, Sydney
• Palerang Council, 144 Wallace Street, Braidwood
• Braidwood Library, Park Lane, Braidwood
• Eurobodalla Council, 89 Vulcan Street, Moruya
• Moruya Library, Next to Council Chambers, Princes Highway, Moruya
• Narooma Library, Field Street, Narooma
• Batemans Bay Library, Hanging Rock Place, Batemans Bay
• Nature Conservation Council, Level 2, 5 Wilson Street, Newtown

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