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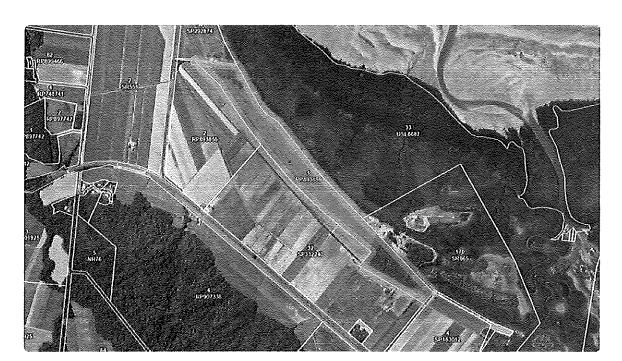
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TO: Mayor and all Councillors of the Douglas Shire Council

Chief Executive Officer, Douglas Shire Council

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(Acceptable outcome A06.2 of the Criteria for assessment – Extractive industry code).

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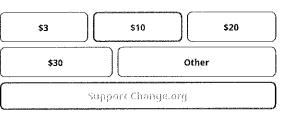




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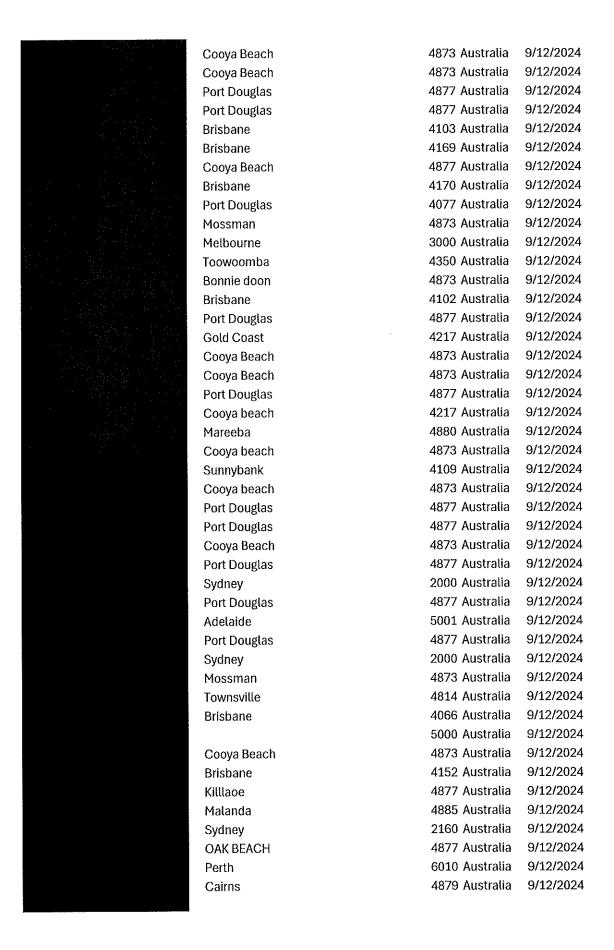
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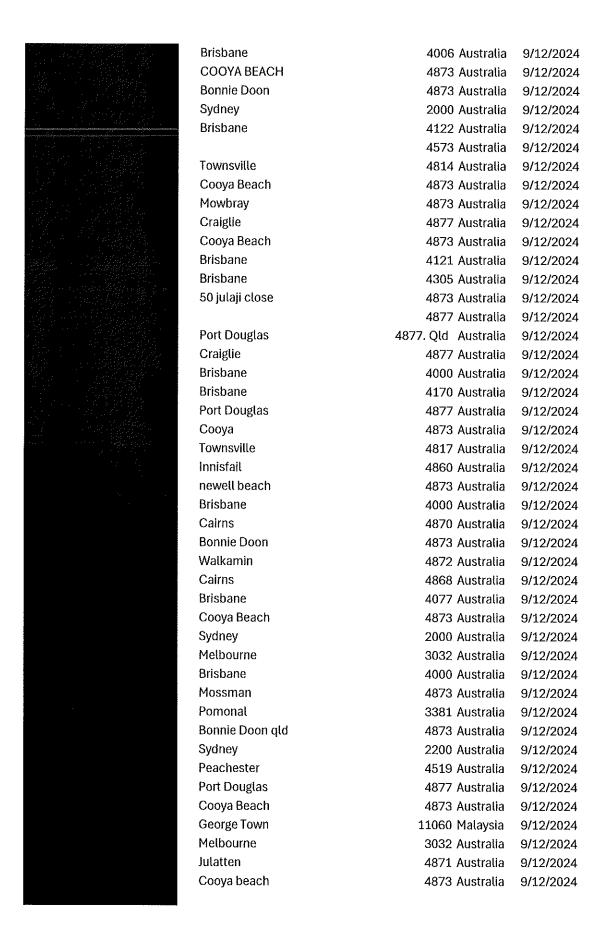
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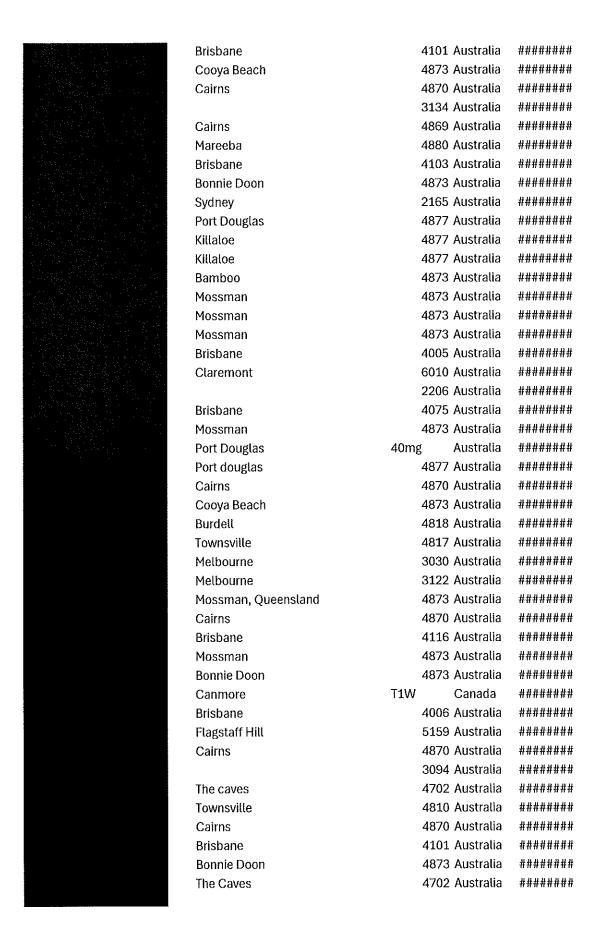
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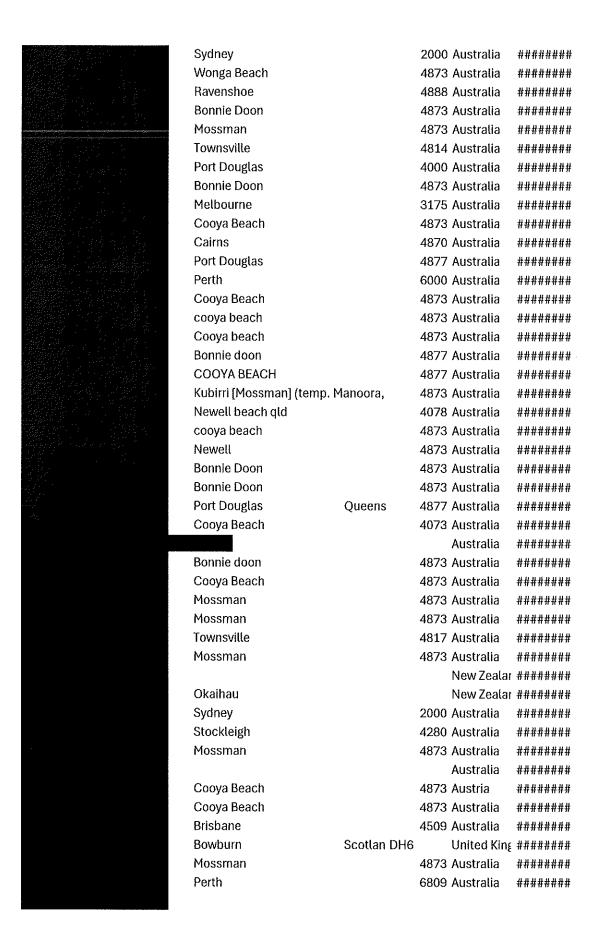




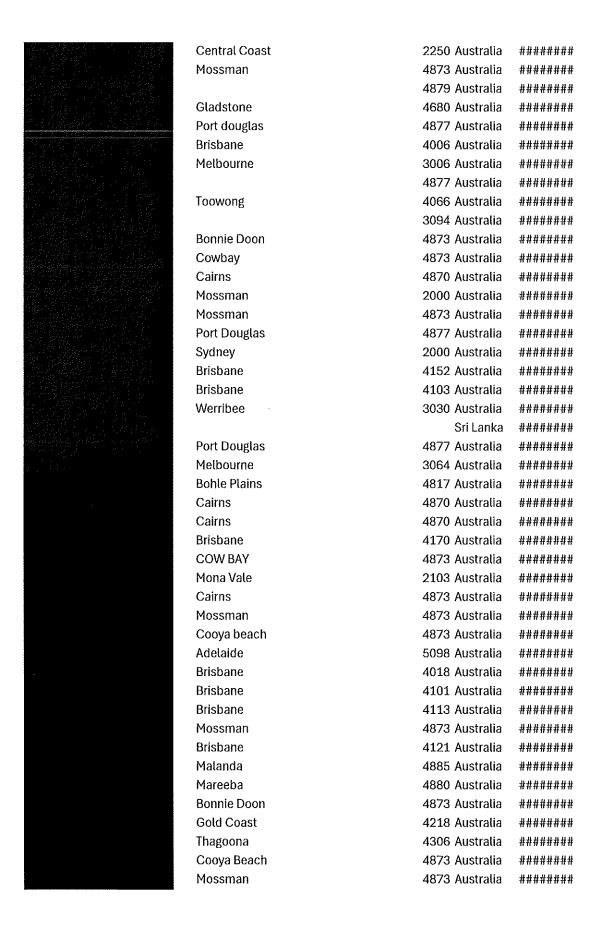


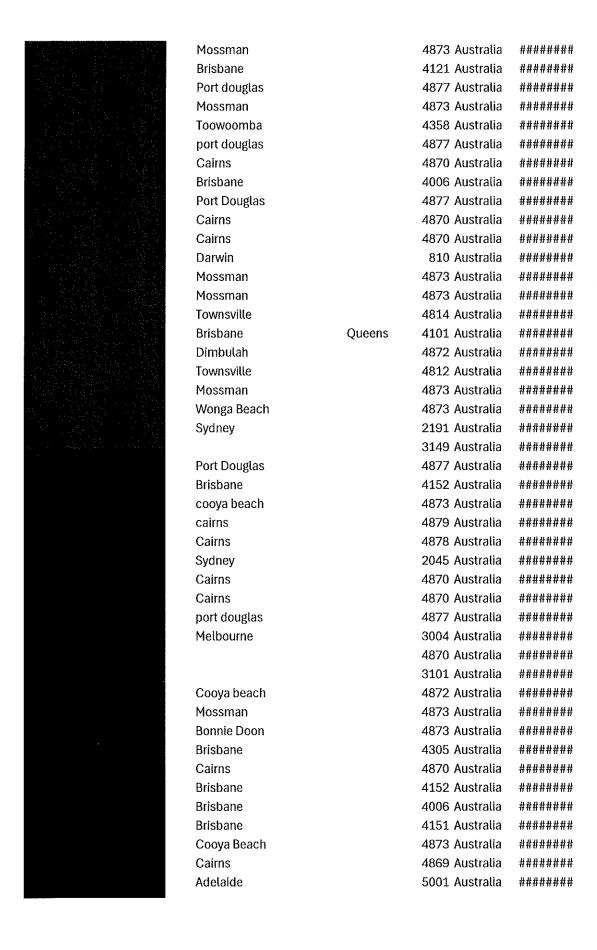
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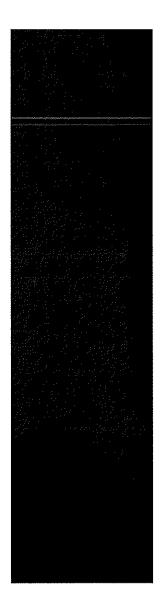












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	Mossman		4873	Australia	8/12/2024	"Environmental and wildlife will be affected"
			3886	Australia	8/12/2024	"Our roads are struggling with traffic now"
	Cooya beach		4873	Australia	8/12/2024	"I'm opposed to this project and risks/hazards involved as a resudent of the area travelling on Bonnie Doon several times per day." "I wouldn't like to see this beautiful, sensitive area turn into another Canterbury rd
	Port Douglas		4877	Australia	8/12/2024	Kilsyth, big trucks constantly coming and going, dust and diesel polluting our environment, at least the cane trucks were only seasonal!"
	Brîsbane		4877	Australia	8/12/2024	"I live in cooya beach and this would be very detrimental"
			4873	Australia	8/12/2024	"I love in Cooya beach I don't want this" "I am concerned about rezoning from Rural to any industry in this area, as with the possible decline in cane farming this could be the thin end of the wedge for the area. Nobody wants this area between Port Douglas and Cooma to become an
			4877	Australia	8/12/2024	ugly industrial area."
	Redcliffe		4020	Australia	8/12/2024	"The residents, wildlife and environment will be detrimentally effected." "Do not do this to our Community, we helped fight to get our Shire Council back from Cairns so we would be protected and enable us to live in our unspoilt pocket of Old. Don't be the Council that went against its residents and scarred our
	Queensland		4873	Australia	9/12/2024	landscape forever." "This is an unacceptable, wildly irresponsible proposal and one that needs to be quashed immediately. We live nestled between two world heritage listed parks,
	Cooya Beach		4873	Australia	9/12/2024	and we need to be doing everything we can to keep our sea and land as pristine and untouched as possible. The stretch of land from Port Douglas to Cooya is already

	Gold Coast	4217	Australla	9/12/2024	being used for fish farming and local waste disposal (Killaloe tip). We do not want further environmental degradation of our home. We need Council to get firmer about these kinds of proposals so we become known as guardians of our precious ecosystems." "I don't want 200 trucks a day (200X24tonnes) going to Cooya beach and back. Noise and pollution from this would be catastrophic for wild life in the area"
	Sunnybank	4109	Australia	9/12/2024	"Leave Our Shire Alone!" "It's a massive disruption to the local community, environment and neighbourhood - what an insane idea - local council should be ashamed if its considering this
	Adelaide	5001	Australia	9/12/2024	application."
	Sydney	2160	Australia	9/12/2024	"It is critical to preserve this beautiful undisturbed riparian area as habitat."
	OAK BEACH	4877	Australia	9/12/2024	"This is an environmental and social disaster!"
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Port Douglas	4877	Australia	10/12/2024	"Worried about environmental impact and how it will affect our beautiful residential area" "I live in Cooya Beach and disagree with every aspect of this project; I live here because I love the natural environment. This project will be a disaster for our delicate ecosystem and disruptive to locals (including increasing traffic dangers on an already-hazardous road), not to mention an eye-sore. From a long-term economic prospective, projects that damage the very environment that draws
Sydney Port	2026	Australia	11/12/2024	tourists here make absolutely no sense. I strongly oppose this."
Douglas	4877	Australia	11/12/2024	"I believe it will be detrimental to the environment"
Nhulunbuy	880	Australia	12/12/2024	"I think this is a crazy idea! Please don't proceed."
Cairns	4870	Australia	12/12/2024	"Hove Cooya"
	4877	Australia	13/12/2024	"Significant risk of serious environmental damage to adjacent mangroves." "We do NOT need a sand mine in the back yard of Cooya Beach / Bonnie Doon?
Cooya Beach	4873	Australia	13/12/2024	What benefits will it bring to the community? It will just mean noise and added traffic and dust! NO to a sand mine!!!"
Mossman	4873	Australia	13/12/2024	"Money isn't everything. Nature is more important"
bittern	3918	Australia	13/12/2024	"This quarry raises significant environmental, social, and economic concerns."
Wodonga	2643	Australia	14/12/2024	"I think it's will be an environmental problem." "This is an unnecessary position for a potential disturbance to the local population
Mossman	4873	Australia	14/12/2024	of both people and animals"
	4860	Australia	14/12/2024	"The Douglas Shire has clearly not considered the safety of its ratepayers and the Douglas Shires unique fragile environment." "It is an impractical idea one year on from Jasper after the devastation caused.
	4070	Australi-	4440,0004	What effect would this have if allowed to go ahead??? Way to close to a residential
	4873	Australia	14/12/2024	area and too the mangroves." "Signed because the irreparable damage done to Kuku Yalaji lands, while openly and arrogantly flouting the criteria for assessment of Extractive industry code
	4556	Australia	14/12/2024	should immediately disqualify this proposal for consideration by Douglas Shire."

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		4879	Australia	15/12/2024	"It will permanently change and damage this important ecological area."
		4877	Australia	15/12/2024	"Need to be protected"  "The ecologically of this area must be protected. Mangroves are a critical part of the ecosystem. It is a violation of people's right to live their lives without the imposition of the noise pollution, traffic hazards and other by-products of mining. The time when the economy and extractive practices dominated is coming to an
		3094	Australia	15/12/2024	end. This is both a human rights and an ecological issue." "I have lived at Cooya Beach for nearly rears & Delieve this will have a huge impact on our natural environment, such as mangroves & Delieve this will have a huge impact on our natural environment, such as mangroves & Delieve this will have a huge impact on our natural environment, such as mangroves & Delieve this will have a huge impact on our natural environment.
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	Mona Vale	2103	Australia	15/12/2024	"It's out of context with the natural area."
	Cairns	4873	Australia	15/12/2024	"Impact on coastal habitat adjacent to proposed mining lease" "Not suitable for a Sand Quary in this region at all, farmer's livelihood is more
		3149	Australia	17/12/2024	important than raping the area of sand."
		4873	Australia	17/12/2024	"Natasha Peters"