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To: <u>Hearings</u>

**Subject:** Bathurst Darfield coal mine extension application

**Date:** Sunday, 17 May 2020 3:03:40 AM

I strongly oppose the application by Bathurst resources to extend the open cast coal mine in the Malvern hills. My opposition is founded on the basis that continued extraction of fossil fuel contributes to Climate change through increased carbon emissions and supports the milk industry that massively and negatively impacts our water quality and supply in Canterbury.

As a significant proportion of the coal mined by Bathurst is directed to the milk processing industry led by Fonterra and Synlait, approving expansion of this coal mine further supports the milk production industries reliance on fossil fuels rather than encouraging the alternative use of sustainable energy sources.

Please recognise our climate emergency and decline any continuing extraction or expansion of coal mining in Canterbury.

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