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The Assessment Manager
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Dear Sir/Madam

Re: Development Application # 400701

I have been to the Council Office to view this application and photocopied some of the documents to read at a later date. Amongst these I came across the Local and State Road Impact Assessment. In this it shows there is a two way traffic volume estimate of 238 commercial vehicles per day using Waterford Tamborine Road between Camp Cable Road and Tamborine Village. I believe this road is not suitable for commercial vehicles, and because Clutha Creek Sand Mine attributes to 46 of these commercial vehicles which have a significant impact on this road, I must protest their development application.

I have measured some of the widths of the road surface and the widths of the trucks that frequent Clutha Creek Sand Mine and have come up with the following.

The trucks are approximately 2.9 metres wide and parts of Waterford Tamborine Road are as narrow as 5.8m wide. This leaves a distance of zero between passing trucks. Whilst the distance would be greater between a car and a truck it still leaves little or no room for error. A lot of this road doesn't even have a centre line and vehicles tend to travel down the middle of these sections to avoid driving on damaged or gravel shoulders. The condition of Waterford Tamborine Road has deteriorated a lot in recent years and repairs to the damaged parts of the road are almost non-existent. Recent talks with the Council and Main Roads over these damaged parts of the road have revealed there are no plans to repair these. It is also worth noting the existing pavement is 28 years old, which is 8 years older than it is expected to last. The narrow width of the road and the condition of this road is of major concern.

I do understand that a section of this road is to be upgraded in 2006. Waterford Tamborine Road is 10.5 kilometres long between Camp Cable Road and Tamborine Village. The section to be upgraded is only a small part of the road stretching between Greensward Road and Williamson Road.

Given that this road will have a two way traffic volume of 60000 commercial vehicles (11500 of these due to Clutha Creek Sand Mine) using Waterford Tamborine Road per annum, I believe that the road is unsuitable for its current traffic requirements let alone an increase in commercial vehicles.

I am not an expert on road conditions but when I look at other major roads in the Shire this is by far the worst road but it is not the least travelled. And with the Yarrabilba sub division due to commence, the number of vehicles using Waterford Tamborine Road is going to rapidly increase.

My position on this would change if a different route was taken by the Clutha Creek Sand Mine trucks or Waterford Tamborine Road was to be upgraded.

Yours faithfully



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