

Captions for the proposed Kalbar Mine in East Gippsland:



Corey Lancaster, local East Gippsland resident since birth, gave his opinion on the proposed Kalbar mine in his home residence in Sarsfield. He stated he understands local farmers and cultural groups may be affected negatively by a sand mine in the area, but he believes the economic benefits for East Gippsland in regard to the jobs a mine can create will outweigh the negative implications.

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In a recent interview at a park in East Gippsland, Damien Bartlett, a lifetime local, states in regard to East Gippsland's proposed Kalbar Sand Mine he doesn't "see the necessity in having a sand mine in one of Australia's greatest food bowls". Damien gave insight as someone who has worked in the mining industry, he believes Victoria needs mining and the resources created from sand mining. He also understands employment can be sparse in regional areas but doesn't believe the amount of water the mine proposes to use from the Mitchell River can be sustained in an area that grows such a large number of vegetables for south-eastern Australia. For Damien, the negatives counterbalance the positives, and he would prefer if Kalbar did not go ahead.

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