Phil Josipovic

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To:	Phil Josipovic
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Subject:	Re: South Steiglitz Road
Attachments:	Extract re Exemption from Mineral Resources (Sustainable Development) Act 1990 V126.pdf; LCC Recomendations over South Steiglitz Road.pdf; Steiglitz Flora and fauna habitat report 22Jul21.pdf; 59 South Steiglitz Road velvet_daisy-bush.pdf; Brisbane Ranges National Park - Management Plan - 1997 Cinnamon Fungus.pdf; 2022-09-26 Letter from the Minister re Steiglitz land.pdf; VBA Velvet Daisy-bush South Steglitz Road.JPG

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Hi Phil,

How can we get Golden Plains to help initiate permanent protection from exploration for South Steiglitz road?

Under the Mineral Resources (Sustainable Development) Act the Minister can exempt land from exploration and mining, and the reasons supporting this are fully consistent with South Steiglitz Road. These include:

- Protect land of significant environmental importance
- Implementation of a recommendation of the Land Conservation Council (LCC)

A request from Golden Plains to exempt South Steiglitz road from Exploration & Mining would not only be helpful, it would also be a key responsibility as land manager given the risks both to the road reserve itself as well as risks to the adjoining land along either boundary. And particularly so given that South Steiglitz road is not constrained within the road reserve and in places actually runs within the Brisbane Ranges National Park. The land is indistinguishable and inseparable from the park.

I've attached to this email the following supporting documents:

• An extract of the relevant section of the act.

Confirmation the South Steiglitz Road reserve is of significant environmental importance:

- A copy of the Steiglitz Flora and fauna habitat report 22 July 2021 covering the South Steiglitz Road area
- A copy of the Brisbane Ranges National Park Management Plan 1997. This is still the latest version and confirms the significance of the Cinnamon Fungus threat within the park, and its prevalence along South Steiglitz Road. The sections relating to Cinnamon Fungus have been highlighted in the document.
- A copy of the 1994 DCNR letter confirming the significant population of Velvet Daisy-bush in the immediately adjacent property 59 South Steiglitz Road. The Velvet Daisy-bush is rare and listed as endangered in Victoria, and is particularly impacted by Cinnamon Fungus.
- Screenshot from Victorian Biodiversity Atlas (VBA) confirming individual Velvet Daisy-bush locations within the southern section of the South Steiglitz Road reserve.

Confirmation the area of South Steiglitz Road is subject to implementation of a recommendation of the LCC:

- An extract from our request to extend the Brisbane Ranges National Park, and which shows that South Steiglitz Road was included under LCC 1987 recommendation A2, and LCC 1977 recommendation A14.
- Letter reply from Minister for Environment and Climate Action 26 September 2021 accepting and agreeing to extend the Brisbane Ranges National Park over the area.

Thanks, John

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