

Some of the community objections to the proposed quarry include:

Landslips

Our valley has a history of landslides, specifically on Buttners Saddle Road above the proposed quarry. Radial Timber has supplied no geotechnical research to council or any plans of how they will attempt to prevent the site from collapsing, endangering the lives of their own quarry workers.

Dusty and noisy trucks

Radial timbers have not provided any planning on how they will mitigate the noise and dust impacts of their heavy trucks travelling through the Carrajung township and surrounding areas.

Wear and tear of roads

Heavy gravel trucks will place substantial wear on surrounding roads, especially Old Carrajung and Grand Ridge Roads. Radial Timber are expecting that ratepayers and council will fund the repairs and maintenance of these roads.

Flooding downstream

Radial Timber are proposing three tiny "Sediment Ponds" will contain the massive water flow and erosion through their site. This management failure will increase silt downstream, increasing the risk of flooding impacts for residents along Reedy and Bruthren creeks.

Deterioration of the creek ecosystem

Radial Timber plan to work within the prohibited 30 metres of waterways, and have not provided any ecological surveys of the existing flora and fauna of the waterways or any plans on how they will manage their impacts on these sensitive systems. Platypus were living in Reedy Creek a few decades ago and we should be restoring these waterways, not degrading them further.

Ugly eyesore

Radial Timbers are planning to provide very little screening on the southside along Old Carrajung Road, making locals and visitors have to see their mess on every drive through the valley.

Amateur approach

Radial Timber has no mining experience and their planning application clearly shows this. Their plan does not comply with the Council Planning Scheme, Small Quarry Guidelines, Catchment Authority or State regulations. This shows they cannot manage this site to even minimum standards.

Sneaky loopholes

Radial Timber are claiming that 40 separate land titles used for timber production across a 150 km area is one "farm" in an attempt to use a loophole designed for work on a farm. This would exempt them from State mining compliance obligations, including paying their required rehabilitation bond and site management requirements. They are clearly not wanting to follow even the basic rules that apply to small quarries.

Lack of community engagement

Radial Timber installed their little planning application sign seven days before Christmas, allowing very little time for our community to respond to this complex project. Radial Timber have been planning this for three years, but the sign was the first that we as immediate neighbours had heard of this, and others only saw this on facebook when we posted about it.