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Mining operations 400 mtrs. from Farm Houses or Buildings is totally unacceptable because

1. Dust Pollution, too close for dust to settle
2. Noise of pneumatic drills etc, heavy machinery, trucks excavators and loaders
3. Flood lit areas during 24 hr operations

Minimum Distance of Mining Operations from any house or buildings should be at least **1 Kilometre**  
The Chinese and Arabs are buying up large tracts of good farming land in Australia to produce food for their own people. Farming land is very limited in these countries, land is already affected by pollution in China.

The short sightedness of the South Australian and Australian Government who are looking for royalties from Mining and jobs are destroying Australia's very limited prime agricultural land. This prime land has produced food for over a hundred years. Open cut mining completely destroys thousands of hectares for ever, large mountains of rock and overburden which will never be rejuvenated, enormous holes in the ground that fill with poisonous and toxic water eg. Poona Mine North of Moonta SA.

Most Mines are only viable for approximately 25 years, or less, the mining company then puts the mine in care and maintenance mode and avoids any restoration work on the sight on the pretence of that they may reopen the mine. Ultimately the the State Govt. has to pay for any restoration work.

Australia does not have unlimited prime agricultural land and mining should not be allowed to proceed in these areas.

Feeding Australia and the World for years to come is more important that a few years of mining.

**NO MINING IN PRIME AGRICULTURAL LAND**

