

Proposed Fish Creek Quarry Lease

South Gippsland Shire Council proposes to lease the Fish Creek Quarry to Goldsmith Quarries for an initial term of ten years with options of extending the lease for a further ten years.

Currently Council owns several parcels of land at the end of Fish Creek Quarry Road, which is leased to Goldsmith Quarries, that expires 30 June 2018.

The leased area includes land that falls within the Battery Creek Catchment overlay that includes areas of native vegetation that can't be quarried and part of the Hoddle Mountain walking track.

Due to the lease expiring next year, there is the opportunity for Council to exclude these areas whilst still leaving sufficient land for quarry operation into the future.

South Gippsland Shire Mayor Councillor Lorraine Brunt encouraged community members to have their say on the proposal once the submission process opens.

"Council has no immediate need for the rock produced in the quarry however it is seen as a valuable resource for rural properties.

"The upcoming submissions process is an opportunity for residents to share their thoughts about the proposal which will ensure the right decision is made for our community," said the Mayor.

A public notice will appear in the week commencing 8 January 2018 giving an opportunity for community members to make a written submission by 6 February 2018.

Submissions will only be accepted as part of this consultation process.

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