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Sent: Sunday, 17 June 2018 8:47 PM

To: projects dhelkunyadja

Subject: Submission to The Dja Land Management Board

Dear Sir or Madam,

My Great Grandfather was a miner in the 1850s at Smysdale near Ballarat, in his time at Smysdale he mostly lived of the land as your people did, lived in a tent and cooked over an open fire and mined near by, after some time he became ill and died and was buried in the area.

To me these areas where he lived and mined are significant sites and the area where he died and is buried are sacred sites.

But what right have I got to stop Indigenous or white Australians from walking, camping or metal detecting these areas so why are Indigenous people any different to the general population of Australia.

Regards,

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