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Victorian MPs - please listen to the people that you work for, and consider their concerns and wishes!

In 2014 Geelong Mayor, Darryn Lyons, said 1,000 jobs could be created under a plan to build a \$320 million sustainable farm precinct at Avalon.

At the same time he and fellow Councillors were considering whether to allow fracking in the Geelong region, which could have trashed that very same land.

Following a period of education and consideration of the community's wishes, they had the great good sense to say "NO".

Please be strong and follow their excellent lead.

We don't want or need fracking in our beautiful State.

As the Grandmother of young people battling to gain and keep employment, I welcome job opportunities, but fracking has none. Fracking companies bring their own experts with them. These people may not even be Australian citizens or PRs but brought in on 457 visas.

I live in Grovedale, in the southern part of Geelong, which is one of the areas that could be affected.

There is evidence from Queensland and overseas that the pollution from fracking causes serious illness amongst the local residents and the constant noise is extremely stressful.

When the Brumby government secretly planned to dump Baanip Boulevard [formerly Section 4C] in our backyards, the very long fight to get changes made was extremely stressful.

Stress worsens my very serious medical conditions and I become very ill. I [and others] have a right not to be exposed to unnecessary illness.

Another very unwelcome aspect of fracking is the likely damage to residential property.

My husband and I are aged pensioners with most of our assets buried in our home. We have already taken a huge hit with Baanip Boulevard – 100 metres from our back fence – which has devalued our home to less than the cost of building it XXX years ago!

Geelong and many other areas are on fault lines for earthquakes. Fracking could and probably would, disturb the ground and set off tremors, or - even worse - an earthquake which could destroy our home and thousands of others.

I strongly urge you - NO FRACKING FOR VICTORIA!

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