

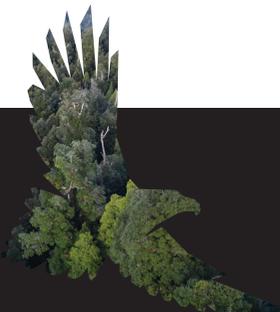


**Will you let this ancient rainforest valley be obliterated with toxic, acid producing, heavy metals mine waste? Tasmanian Masked Owls, vulnerable to extinction, are breeding in these forests.**

**We have a new opportunity to stop Tasmania's takayna / Tarkine rainforest from being demolished for a heavy-metals tailings dam. But we need your assistance as a Member of Australia's 47th parliament.**

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One of the resident Tasmanian Masked Owls inside forests directly threatened by MMG's tailings waste dump.

**Chinese state-owned MMG** plans to pump 25million m<sup>3</sup> of mine waste from its Rosebery mine over the Pieman River and dump it into ancient rainforest habitat. This proposed tailings waste dump must be prohibited from destroying takayna / Tarkine. Imminently threatened are 285 hectares of rainforest and melaleuca woodlands in an area verified with National and World Heritage values.

**These forests are vital storehouses of carbon and home for endangered species** like Tasmanian Masked Owls, the Tasmanian Devil and Spotted-tailed Quoll.

**MMG has an alternative.** They could employ world's best practice 'paste fill' technology that combines the tailings with concrete and injects it back into the mine voids. This locks the waste where it came from and increases the stability of the mine. Doing the right thing and building a paste fill plant would also increase employment at the mine.

**The Tasmanian Masked Owls breeding in these forests have no alternative.**

**Former Liberal Environment Minister Sussan Ley's reconsideration** of her earlier decision to permit 14 km of road building and forest clearing for 165 drill sites awaits decision by the new Environment Minister by 10 June.

**There is a better outcome** for takayna / Tarkine and wildlife that live there. But we need you to help us.

**We would like you to write to the new environment minister on behalf of us – your constituents.**