

## **Petition – Objection to lease of Crusoe Reservoir**

Objections to Lease of Site for Reservoir at Robinson Crusoe Gully being granted to Mayor and Council of the City of Sandhurst.

To the Mayor and Council of the City of Sandhurst

We the undersigned inhabitants of Robinson Crusoe Gully and vicinity beg to tender the following objections to a lease being granted to the Mayor and Council of the City of Sandhurst at the aforesaid Robinson Crusoe Gully, for the purpose of forming a Reservoir for the storage of water to supply the said City of Sandhurst, viz: -

1. That the site applied for is not “abandoned ground” inasmuch as at the present time, there are Puddlers and Alluvial Miners working thereon – and that several Quartz Claims will be rendered valueless, including two of the most promising in the neighbourhood.
2. That in the event of the Coliban Water scheme being carried into effect Robinson Crusoe and adjacent gullies would pay for sluicing and doubtless yield a handsome return to a working company.
3. That many of the inhabitants have been residing in the neighbourhood for many years, and have established such homesteads as are beyond mere pecuniary compensation and that they are utterly opposed to being compelled to remove.

[May 1872]

### **List of Petitioners**

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2	Marks	Robt.	Crusoe	Miner
2	Frazer	Jos:	Crusoe	Miner
2	Marks	T.	Crusoe	Miner
2	Matthews	Benjamin	Crusoe	Miner
2	Bedell	B.	Crusoe	Storekeeper
2	Bell	George	Crusoe	Miner
2	Yates	C [?]	Crusoe	Miner
2	Richmond	Hy.	Crusoe	Carter
2	Wingrave	W.	Crusoe	Miner
2	Tassele	J.O.	Crusoe	Miner
2	Mark [?]	James	Crusoe	Miner
2	Shum	A. F.	Crusoe	Miner
2	Messer	J.	Crusoe	Miner
2	Messer	A.	Crusoe	Miner
2	Ross	J.	Crusoe	Miner
2	Cartney [or McCartney]	Joseph M	Crusoe	Miner

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2	Miller	Thomas	Crusoe	Miner
2	Brown	T.	Crusoe	Miner
2	Smith	J. [or I]?	Crusoe	Miner
2	Smith	Wm. C.	Crusoe	Miner
3	Webb	Henry	Crusoe	Miner
3	James	Teague	Crusoe	Miner
3	Tarr	John	Crusoe	Miner
3	Kirkley	Thomas	Crusoe	Blacksmith
3	Coney	Henry	Crusoe	Miner
3	Batchelor	Edward	Crusoe	Miner
3	Carne	Edward	Crusoe	Carpenter
3	Pippin	William	Crusoe	Miner
3	Anssens	J. H.	Kangaroo Flat	Baker
3	Marks	R. Junr.	Crusoe	Miner
3	Lonchamp	Teau [?]	Crusoe Gully	Miner
3	Hawes	William	Crusoe Gully	Miner
3	Greaves	James	Crusoe Gully	Miner
3	Morton	John	Cruso [e] Gully	Publican
3	Rogers	William	Kangaroo Flat	Storekeeper
3	Stevenson	James	Kangaroo Flat	Storekeeper
3	Henderson	Wm. C.	Crusoe Mill Registered	Manager
3	Henderson	Wm.	Sandhurst & Melbourne J. M. Co. Reg'n.	Manager

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John Foster	Crusoe	Miner
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Benjamin Matthews	Do	Miner
B. Bedell	Do	Storekeeper
George Bell	Do	Miner
G. Yates	Do	Do
Wm. Richmond	Do	Carter
W. W. Ingram	Do	Miner
J. C. Fassel	Do	Do
James Frost	Do	Do
A. F. Shum	Do	Do
J. Messer	Do	Do
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J. Ross	Do	Do
Joseph Martney	Do	Do
Martin McIntyre	Do	Do
Andrew Black	Do	Do
Thomas Miller	Do	Do
W. Brown	Do	Do
J. Smith	Do	Do
W. C. Smith	Do	Do



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League James	Do	Miner
John Tase	Do	Miner
Thomas Kirkley	Do	Blacksmith
Henry Conroy	Do	Miner
Edward Batchelor	Do	Miner
Edward Carre	Do	Carpenter
William Pippin	Do	Miner
W. Musfus	Wing St. St.	Baker
Dr. Marks Junr.	Crusoe	Miner
Jean Ronchamp	Crusoe Gully	Miner
William Haives	Crusoe Gully	Miner
James Greaves	Crusoe Gully	Miner
John Morton	Crusoe Gully	Publican
William Rogers	Kangaroo Flats	Storekeeper
James Stevenson	Kangaroo Flats	Storekeeper
W. Henderson	Manager Crusoe Mills	Registered
W. Henderson	Manager Sandhurst & Melbourne Iron Works	



May 18<sup>th</sup>  
petition to  
House of Commons  
Reverend