

DO WE REALLY NEED ANOTHER GIANT GOLD MINE IN OTAGO?



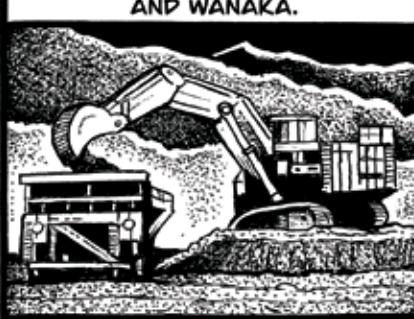
15. THE MINE'S SUPPORTERS POINT TO THE BIG BUCKS THE MINE MIGHT BRING IN AND SAY ALL THE RISKS WILL BE MITIGATED. BUT THE INDUSTRY HAS A HISTORY OF LEAVING TAX PAYERS TO CLEAN UP THEIR MESS.



16. WE CAN'T HAVE BOTH MORE TOURISM AND MORE MINING IN CENTRAL OTAGO! EITHER WE KEEP ON DEVELOPING THE AREA FOR ECO-TOURISM (VIA THE CYCLE TRAIL ETC) OR WE TURN A BIG PART OF IT INTO AN UGLY TOXIC WASTELAND.



17. THE PROPOSED MINE WILL BE HIGHLY VISIBLE TO PEOPLE FLYING IN AND OUT OF QUEENSTOWN AND MAY ALSO BE VISIBLE FROM THE ROAD BETWEEN CROMWELL AND WĀNAKA.



18. THE DEVELOPERS WILL BE ANSWERABLE TO FUTURE GENERATIONS, WHO WILL HAVE TO LIVE WITH THE IRREVERSIBLE CONSEQUENCES FOREVER.



NOT ONLY THE VISUAL IMPACTS AND THE DESTRUCTION OF ICONIC LANDSCAPES, BUT ALSO THE PERMANENT STORAGE OF LARGE QUANTITIES OF TOXIC WASTE IN THE CATCHMENTS OF IMPORTANT LOCAL WATERWAYS



"WEAPONS GRADE LEVEL MINING" OR TOURISM? WE CAN'T HAVE BOTH.



