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Dear Editor,

I write regarding Bundaberg Today's article published on December 24, 2024, entitled "Mine plan raises ire."

Fox Resources is applying for a Mineral Development Licence (MDL) to drill five bore holes for exploration purposes and conduct some technical studies in accordance with Queensland Government regulations.

It is important to reiterate that an MDL is not a mine. The Resources Department's own website clarifies this: "The MDL allows you to conduct geoscientific programs (e.g. drilling, seismic surveys), mining feasibility studies, metallurgical testing and marketing, and environmental, engineering and design studies."

Any proposal for a mine would require a separate, comprehensive environmental impact statement process with assessment by both Queensland and Australian Governments.

Fox Resources will continue to engage closely with local stakeholders, including through the Bundaberg Regional Reference Group, to ensure its project meets the expectations of the Bunda-

berg and Wide Bay community.

Our shareholders are from across Australia and we have used local drillers, geologist/hydrologist and other experts from the Bundaberg and Wide Bay region for our project.

Fox Resources will continue to advocate for the Bundaberg region in ensuring the benefits of our project, including any future potential coal royalties, are directed to the region.

The Queensland economy needs new mining projects to support jobs and infrastructure and our project has the potential to make a significant contribution to Bundaberg's future, akin to other regional cities such as Mackay where agriculture and mining successfully co-exist.

All we ask is for a fair go, for our project to be treated on its merits without interference in the regulatory process, just like any other mining project in Queensland.

Bruce Garlick, Executive Director Fox Resources