



Huge High Court Victory for EDO clients over Acland Mine expansion



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BREAKING NEWS - HIGH COURT WIN OVER ACLAND COAL MINE

Farmers and community members from Queensland's Darling Downs have won a significant victory in the High Court, which today ordered a fresh Land Court hearing into the controversial New Acland coal mine expansion.

Our client, the Oakey Coal Action Alliance, has been locked in an epic legal battle to defend some of the best farming land in Queensland from New Acland Coal's stage 3 expansion of its thermal coal mine on the Darling Downs, in the state's south east.

Today the High Court ordered a fresh hearing over the mine in the Queensland Land Court. It also ordered that New Acland Coal pay OCAA's legal costs of the High Court appeal, and struck out an earlier costs order of approximately \$736,000 against OCAA.

"This is a welcome decision from the High Court today," said EDO Managing Lawyer Sean Ryan.

"Our client and the other objectors can now look forward to the opportunity to present their evidence to a fresh Land Court of the impacts of this coal mine on the local farming area and on the rest of Queensland through climate change."

Read more about this decision here: <https://www.edo.org.au/.../high-court-victory-as-acland.../>