Hi I am a construction worker and have done fly in fly out on and of for 20 years
I can understand the need for camps for construction workers in the start up phase of mining projects as the workforce is much higher until the production starts But from then on you are having an chance to build a community that can be their for 10 20 30 40 years who knows long eugh to raize a family and when the mining is done you have a town that can provide affordable housing for all the burnt out and poor people that we have to find a home for in the future
any how you only have to look at a map of australia and take out broken hill, mt isa, kalgoolie, tom price, cobar, weipa, newman, karratha, pine creek all the coal towns in qld nsw
as you can see if you are serious about getting people to live outside the city int he past mining has helped develop towns all over I reckon that since all australian own the minerals oil gas the least we can leave behind is some social infrastructure mining company were made to build towns like tom price neman nhulunby weipaas partof getting the right to profit from our resources and the goverment give the mining settlers a bit of a tax holliday even my yuppy kids would maybe choose a peacfull affordable life in the country
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