

**Submission  
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## **HISTORICAL DEVELOPMENT CONSENTS IN NSW**

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I act as a grandmother of the NGHUUHNYHUHN (Black Swan) people of Jervis Bay and Surrounds. It is in both the Public Interest and the Aboriginal interest to protect the environment of New South Wales. We have been waiting since 1996 for NSW Land in Jervis Bay National Park, Woollamia Nature Reserve and Parma Creek Nature Reserve to be handed back in Priority to Registered NSW Aboriginal Owners of Jervis Bay for Joint Management.

The Commonwealth Australian Heritage Act 1977 did protect 'Jervis Bay and Surrounds' upon the Commonwealth Register of the National Estate, but this important legislation was replaced by the Commonwealth Environment Protection Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 (EPBC 1999) and resulted in only the NSW Lands subject to Commonwealth Regional Forests Agreements Act 2002 retaining Register of the National Estate Protection.

The Jervis Bay Catchment has two Commonwealth Areas of Land on both the Beecroft and the Bherrewerre Peninsulas protected and Listed as Matters of National Environmental significance, these Commonwealth Heritage Listed Lands remain Subject to EPBC 1999.

No Areas of NSW Jervis Bay and Surrounds have been nominated for the National Heritage List subject to EPBC 1999 despite meeting the criteria for nomination between 1999 and 2012.

The NSW Jervis Bay Regional Environment Plan 1996 did action the Aim of protecting the Natural and Cultural Heritage Values of Jervis Bay, but this important legislation was rescinded and replaced with a mere clause in the NSW Shoalhaven Local Environment Plan 2014 Subject to NSW Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979.

This resulted in all Rural Land reverting to its status discoverable in the NSW Shoalhaven Local Environment Plan 1985. This does leave all rural land surrounding Jervis Bay subject to NSW Local Land Services Act 2016 and NSW Biodiversity Conservation Act 2017 with large property boundary and infrastructure clearing for farming activities including Private Native Forestry Plans.

zombie developments, modifications to Development Applications and private Local Land Service activities are destroying the Natural and Cultural Heritage values of Jervis Bay.

SAVE JERVIS BAY - WE NEED A PLAN - A NEW VISION FOR JERVIS BAY NSW  
NATURE POSITIVE or just MORE BULLSHIT...