

**Submission
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INQUIRY INTO CROWN LAND IN NEW SOUTH WALES

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As a private resident, and grandmother, who cares strongly for the future of New South Wales I wish to submit my position and attitude regarding the Crown Land Bill for this state.

- While reasonable tracts of land are involved this is an important time to consider the long term, larger 'picture' Please consider the results to lack of such planning -as has occurred in Madagascar for example- where the devastation is now dire both agriculturally, culturally and environmentally.
- Privatisation has, too often, proven to not be the saviour hoped for.
- As a public land asset wide public information and debate needs to be had so true, long term benefits are achieved - not everything should be economically based.
- Active use and management needs sympathetic, intelligent, long term planning implementation and should not be in the 'hands' of purely economic or commercial thinking.
- While Aboriginal claims over Crown Land must always be viewed with reasonable sympathy it must also be acknowledged that non-aboriginal communities should also be considered

It would be most unfortunate if the Crown Lands Bill of NSW resulted in developments that could be strongly regretted by later generations - especially if it were only for short term profit gains

Sincerely

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