

**Submission
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INQUIRY INTO CROWN LAND IN NEW SOUTH WALES

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Upper House Inquiry into Crown Land

Dear Committee

As Sydney moves towards a much denser population, Crown Land has never been so important.

Crown Land is used by many for recreation and it should be kept accessible to all for this purpose. Its primary purpose should be for public access and amenity, not for making money. Its primary value is providing access to wonderful spaces and places for the people who own the land i.e. the people of Australia.

Crown Land of high conservation value must be managed to maintain that high conservation value. Pest and introduced species must be excluded from such land.

Crown Land must not be 'sold off' to private interests. Crown Land must be kept in public ownership and managed for the benefit of the public.

Thank you