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INQUIRY INTO CROWN LAND IN NEW SOUTH WALES

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Crown Lands by definition are held in trust by the Government for the collective benefit of its citizens both now and into the future. Crown Lands are often very special landscapes that have been preserved for social, cultural and environmental reasons. They also often act as important linkages between natural areas.

It's alarming and short sighted the changes that are being proposed. NSW needs to retain its Crown lands in perpetuity for future generations to enjoy and not see them as easy sources of revenue.

With a challenging environmental future due to climate change it's critical that these areas remain in community/ government control for the public benefit. Selling to private interest will have a detrimental effect on the common good.

I urge this inquiry to not proceed with the recommendations and think instead of the generations to come and respect our forbears foresight in setting aside these areas.

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