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**INQUIRY INTO PROPOSAL TO RAISE THE  
WARRAGAMBA DAM WALL**

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Raising the Warragamba Dam wall and allowing more development downstream will put more people at risk of flooding or death. The 1 in 100 year flood planning factor seems to be a very low threshold when compared with other countries (US uses 1 in 500 years).

I am also concerned about the paltry coverage of the heritage survey - only a quarter of the area under threat of inundation has been surveyed for Aboriginal cultural sites. Those that are known will be lost forever, another loss of culture for people who have already lost so much.

The world heritage value of the Blue Mountains will be diminished both in status and size. There will be more loss of Australia's precious natural heritage.

I can't help but see this move as purely to facilitate more houses on the floodplain.

I do not support the raising of the wall and urge the Government to drop the plan.