

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

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I am writing to oppose the raising of the Warragamba Dam wall. Surely the damage to the environment (think Murray-Darling, Snowy River as two state examples) outweighs the benefit to additional housing the Premier says will be possible to establish. In the 13 years I have lived in the Blue Mountains I do not remember any problems with flooding in that area.

This area is important for the production of food. Already much of the state's farming areas have been affected by mining or development. It is also home to a number of endangered species of flora and fauna. Our footprint on the environment is already far too heavy.

Indigenous culture in this area will be devastated by the flooding caused by the raising of the wall. Like the environment this aspect largely seems to be ignored.

The Blue Mountains are Heritage Listed and are under threat by the Western Sydney Airport, development of the Katoomba Airport and the raising of the dam wall. How can this be allowed to happen?