

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

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I am totally opposed to the raising of the Warragamba Dam wall. As an historian, writer and bushwalker I know the country well. The Aboriginal history is irreplaceable. The natural ecosystems are irreplaceable. The wild beauty is irreplaceable. We need to protect the irreplaceable. Once this country has been damaged it will never come back. Notwithstanding these very important facts, the science behind the dam being raised does not stand up. If the proposal was allowed to proceed, after the dam was full to capacity, what happens when we received another 400-500 mm of rain in a few days? This is highly likely with climate change and future predictions. The planning is flawed. It would appear also that the main thrust behind the project is to allow more and more houses on the flood plain below the dam. This is simply madness. As you can see there are no sound reasons to go ahead with this incongruous project. The dam wall must not be raised.