

**Submission
No 136**

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

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Dear Committee members,

There are so many reasons the wall should not be increased:

This Govt with its relaxed rules for builders and developers has caused untold financial and emotional pain to new owners who bought buildings that they can't live in because of poor materials and workmanship; or that they must spend a lot more money on to remediate when huge flaws appear post 5 years.

Now it is trying to allow a developer to ruin pristine areas so they can make lots of money building houses and apartments where none should be.

The raising of the wall will not solve a flooding problem as most flooding comes from elsewhere. What is the point?

Allowing people to live in unsuitable areas has been shown already to be disastrous and then we, the citizens of NSW, are asked to put up money to help people that are flood affected who couldn't or didn't take out insurance. How is that fair and sensible??

It has become apparent that reports on the environmental and cultural impact have been botched. Why would anyone proceed on the basis of such reports that are knowingly flawed?

They have vastly understated the loss of culturally sensitive areas for the local indigenous peoples. They have understated the loss of beautiful forests. It is a world heritage area that must be saved not bulldozed. This is sheer madness and future generations will curse those who acted to destroy more pristine forest - in country where vast swathes of nature have already been irrevocably destroyed. .

An enormous 48 species will be threatened if the bulldozers go in. Haven't we destroyed enough of our precious flora and fauna to understand that this is dangerous folly??

Please reject this proposal - on any proper review of the correct information it cannot go forward. If it does go forward it will be another example of how this Government is a reflection of Yes Minister/Prime Minister - and no one should in real life want that comparison!

Thank You.