

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

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## RAISING THE DAM WALL OF WARRAGAMBA DAM

We have in the catchment area of Warragamba Dam the last vestiges of a unique and precious flora and fauna that should be preserved for future generations of Australians, and also Aboriginal sites that will no longer be accessible if/when the dam wall height is increased.

I believe that short term gain that might seem beneficial to land developers and the present State Government is very short-sighted in the long term

The catchment area contains the most beautiful areas of wilderness, also World Heritage Listed areas that should be kept in perpetuity for future generations and especially for its' biodiversity.

I noted with much disgust that a Liberal Party donor, sold flood –prone land at three times the price he purchased it for before this inquiry just after the project was announced.

The current State Government has much to answer for by pandering to developers at the cost of the health and safety of its' citizens when it places developers and infrastructure before the potential dangers that would occur to residents in the event of a flood of major proportions

Much like the damage caused by lack of legislation in the construction of the Opal Tower and Mascot Apartments , it is prepared to relax laws and legislation so that wealthy individuals gain more wealth at the cost of common sense, detrimental to the best interests of the majority of the people of New South Wales.

It looks like we may loose the Great Barrier Reef, our koalas in New South Wales, and many near extinct species of plants and animals

When will the Government of New South Wales, show that it places environment and heritage above selling out to developers

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