INQUIRY INTO PROPOSAL TO RAISE THE WARRAGAMBA DAM WALL

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Raising Warragamba Dam wall will promote too much development on the Hawkesbury-Nepean floodplain. With plans to increase the Hawkesbury-Nepean Floodplain population by 134,000 by 2030, it will change the social-fabric of this semi-rural region which has historically provided a significant amount of Sydney's food. It will put massive pressure on western Sydney suburbs which will experience explosive expansion. Australia's zoning regulation for flooding (1:100 year) is far below other international best practice, with the US (1:500) or the Netherlands (1:1250 Years) as examples. We shouldn't be putting more people in areas that are deemed dangerous in many other countries.