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

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Dear Sir/Madam

The case for raising the wall of Warragamba Dam has not been well made. The main beneficiaries are those land developers with property to develop in flood prone land. People such as _____ a Liberal party donor who made a large profit on the day of the announcement. It would be much better to leave that land as green space and not risk building in known flood prone areas.

Raising the dam comes with considerable cost to the budget and will benefit a greedy few. As a keen bushwalker I know that it will permanently destroy the Kowmung Valley. The Kowmung valley is a famed bushwalking destination which I have visited several times. Once this area has been inundated even if the dam levels fall it will be silt covered desert full of dead trees and all the beautiful camping areas will be destroyed. This an act of vandalism that cannot be reversed.

Please think very carefully.

Yours sincerely

Michael Phipps