

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

Name: Mrs Maureen Ward

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Dear Madam/Sir,

I write to you with reference to the proposed raising of the Dam wall at Warragamba.

I do not believe that this course of action is either desirable or necessary.

The efficacy of raising the wall as a strategy to mitigate flood damage is questionable at best, as is using it to gather more water.

The route which we have taken to reach this decision seems to be lacking in transparency and integrity as well as logically and ethically flawed.

We do not need more development in an already sprawling Sydney.

What we do need is the beautiful world heritage National park to be undiminished as a resource for people to recreate in. Particularly given the cost of morbidity in those who do not recreate enough.

We do need our indigenous heritage to be preserved.

We do need the employment in Outdoor Recreation in the Blue Mountains region that would be impacted by this decision.

We do need to protect the threatened species found in this area.

We do not need to raise the dam wall against the advice of independent experts to the detriment of many, and the financial gain of a few.

Please look closely at this matter, and re-consider in view of the above.

Regards,

Maureen Ward