

**Submission
No 363**

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

Name: Mr Paul Stephen
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Dear Committee,

Kindly accept this submission and I give permission to give my name in full. Alternative options for flood mitigation for the Hawkesbury-Nepean Valley have been identified which are cheaper, less destructive and should be adopted instead of raising the dam wall. These include:

- Investing in evacuation infrastructure in the Hawkesbury-Nepean Valley;
- Adopting international best practice floodplain development controls;
- Using flood levees and diversion structures; and
- Managing the existing capacity of Warragamba Dam by lowering its current full storage level to provide additional airspace for floods and investing in water recycling and desalination

Yours Paul Stephen