INQUIRY INTO RATIONALE FOR, AND IMPACTS OF, NEW DAMS AND OTHER WATER INFRASTRUCTURE IN NSW

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The proposal for new dams in NSW will be a waste of time and money if these storages are required to allocate 50 or 60 percent of their storage capacity for the environment . The present arrangements with existing dams has over time required this amount of water to meet some environmental political targets. If the environmental targets were flexible and properly managed there would be plenty of water for both commercial and environmental use through existing infrastructure.