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

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Every day, in every state, we have news of government, industry, developer and individual destruction of our diminishing environment - and the creation of dams by destroying the Murray-Darling wetlands and critical ecosystems for endangered fish & migratory birds that supply food for millions would just put another nail in the coffin of the wild life and wild places that are the spirit and lifeblood of our once-beautiful country.

The general public do petitions, make submissions, call and write til the cows come home - nothing deters the evil-doers from their headlong hurtling to oblivion. This is not democracy. There is no informed consent from Australians to destroy our natural infrastructure. There is not even adherence to the actual rules of process whereby studies and long-term consequences are researched and discussed and consulted on. No wonder people are suiciding. There is no hope of being part of Australia's decision- making, environmental protection or of a future life for our unique natural world.

Just because politicians have no heart or spirit doesn't mean we and our country should suffer and die from the 'business above all' mentality. Consult experts. Not soulless pod people.