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To the hardworking people at the DPIE,

My name is . I work in allied health and I volunteer at the Lismore Environment Centre. I have lived in the region for over 15 years.

There are some great options put forward in the draft Regional Water Strategy,

Planning for future water needs (maintaining and diversifying water supplies, protecting and enhancing natural systems etc) is obviously a complex and challenging task.

I object to the proposed Dunoon Dam, the Byrrill Creek Dam, the raising of the dam walls at Clarrie Hall and Toonumbar. Dams are not the solution, they will increase water prices and are not a good response to the challenges of climate change.

I support the great advice contained in these documents; https://waternorthernrivers.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/10/All-Options-On-The-Table-2020.pdf https://waternorthernrivers.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/11/Prof-Stuart-White-Brief-Review-Rous-Water-augmentation-20200904-1.pdf

In Professor Stuart White's brief, he suggests deliberative democracy as a way forward to a FNC Water Strategy that the community could get behind. I concur, as the issues are complex and not related as much to the economy as to the environment, cultural heritage and climate risk.

Thanks for your time,