

# Bushwalking NSW

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The Hon. Rose Jackson, MLC  
Minister for Water  
52 Martin Place  
SYDNEY NSW 2000

## Warragamba Dam Raising - SSI-8441

Dear Minister Jackson

Bushwalking NSW Inc. is the peak body for bushwalkers in NSW and the ACT. It represents the interests of over 11,000 bushwalkers from 70 bushwalking clubs throughout NSW and the ACT, and provides a united voice to local, state and federal government agencies and other bodies on issues affecting bushwalkers.

Bushwalking NSW was opposed to the proposing raising of the dam wall as it considered that the proposal was environmentally disastrous and would have resulted in unacceptable impact to the Greater Blue Mountains World Heritage Area. For that reason, we supported the decision of the Minns Government to cancel the project.

However, we are concerned to see that the project is still listed on the Major Projects portal of the Department of Planning. The listing description is Response to Submissions. It is puzzling that the listing does not say Withdrawn as per other projects.

We are also concerned that leaving the project in the portal leaves open the possibility that the project proposal could be revived by a future government.

Bushwalking NSW considers that the appropriate action is to formally withdraw the proposal from the Major Projects portal.

Yours sincerely,



David Bell  
President  
Bushwalking NSW Inc  
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