



A Community Initiative by The Wilderness Society

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**Did you know you are already paying for the Tillegra Dam?
Tillegra Dam has not been approved by either NSW or Federal governments**

REGARDING YOUR WATER BILL

John Citizen
All residential addresses
Hunter Region NSW 1234

Date of Issue
13 Nov 2006

Due Date
Your Future

Account Number
000 000 000

Total Due
Too Much

THE HIDDEN INFORMATION IN YOUR WATER BILL

PREV BAL	RECEIVED	BALANCE OF TILLEGRA DAM
\$ nil	\$ growing amount	\$477 million and counting

Increases

TILLEGRA DAM	15% MORE
Water system development and upgrades	9% MORE
System expansion	7% MORE
Operating cost increase	20% MORE

ADJUSTMENTS OR CREDITS

CONSTRUCTION OF TILLEGRA DAM

Total Due

\$ MUCH MORE

\$ MORE THAN YOU NEED



You are paying to wipe out the healthy platypus population of the Williams River



It's a no-brainer. Why are we paying for something that is not approved?



Less money for gifts



Not just this Christmas - every future Christmas for Hunter residents



Protecting, promoting and restoring Wilderness and natural processes across Australia for the survival and ongoing evolution of life on Earth

PLEASE TEAR OFF AND SEND TO THE NSW PREMIER

Dear Premier,

Please advise why I have started paying for the Tillegra Dam when it is yet to be approved through the required NSW State and Federal Government processes?

I urge you to stop this dam immediately. The dam is unnecessary, expensive and environmentally destructive. The Lower Hunter region has an ample supply of water, this project is not critical infrastructure and there is time to make a better water plan.

Did you know that in a recent Roy Morgan survey 77% of people believe there are cheaper, less damaging alternatives to secure the Hunter's water supply?

The cost of the Tillegra Dam has increased by more than 50% since its announcement and construction has not yet begun. It is likely this will continue to increase once construction begins and it is the Hunter residents who'll be footing the bill. This is unfair and unacceptable.

The Williams River is one of our last free flowing healthy rivers in NSW. Its flows support the Hunter Estuary Wetlands – wetlands of international significance. Tillegra Dam will also add 1 million tonnes of GHGs to the atmosphere in the first 20 years of operation.

With all these associated issues, I am most concerned that I have started paying for a dam that should never go ahead and has yet to be approved. Please provide me with an explanation.

Yours Sincerely,

Name.....

Address.....Postcode.....

Email.....Mobile.....



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