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Has the Hunter Valley lakes Scheme been taken into consideration converting the coal mine voids into interconnecting lakes as an environmental clean up and creating a huge body of water (many times Sydney Harbour)for water security including for Greater Sydney ?

This has already been achieved in Lusatia, Germany where coal mines have been transformed into lakes when the life of the coal mine has been finalised and those Lakes are now providing drinking water, after treatment, for Berlin. This could be done in the Hunter Valley.

Has this possibility been properly researched and included in the Plan including all the other environmental and economic gains (eg pumped hydro, floating solar, increased water for agriculture, tourism, environmental protected areas etc) ?

Thank you
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