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Subject: Submission FNC water strategy

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Submission against FNC strategy as it is . -Against Dunoon dam.

To all it may concern, I am a long term business owner, resident and rate payer in both Byron Shire LGA and Lismore LGA, I am a member of Richmond Brunswick Bird watchers, and also of Northern Rivers Amateur Bee Association.

I acknowledge the work the DPIE have done in the water strategy, to make sure we have reliable water supply into the future. However now more than ever we need to be encouraging, subsidising and enforcing independent water storage, and work towards the best outcome. Which would surely be for every new dwelling or work place to compulsorily install water tanks, and be water self sufficient. This is both a win for the property owner and the town, it would also mean there is more water and more avenues to both grow shade plants and rainforest trees, and fight fire in the coming years of soaring temperatures.

Retrospective (adequate for water self sufficiency) tank installations could be given subsidisation, by way of rebate, or water bill paid at the same (average) rate until the water tank has been paid off. Council employed advisors could advise, and supervise the installation of adequate and least obtrusive tanks - even if they are in the front of houses (when that is the only space they can go). Surely that measure and recycling water for anything other than drinking will see our LGAs clear of having to install dams, such as the Dunoon dam, and will protect fragile environment, along with many threatened species and also acknowledge the original people, and country, which is important to us all.

Please consider that the Proposed Dunoon Dam be taken from the Rous water strategy, and promote a more inclusive responsibility for water storage, that also considers water value, and ecosystem health.

All the best
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