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I have lived on my property for 40 years and have experienced drought. I have managed my water needs by being water wise without ever having to buy water.

I have concerns that this biodiverse area is now up for grabs again to build a 50GL Dam and make a profit from this industrialised water. This is just devastating when we should be conserving what we have left for future generations.

There are many options to harvest water without destroying habitat for humans, flora and fauna. Eg:

- Filtered roof harvesting
- Stormwater harvesting in urban areas
- Being water wise eg compost toilets,
- Education on being water efficient
- Recycled grey water systems for toilets and gardens especially for new developments
- Green powered Desalination

The water services Association of Australia claims that new dams are a **high risk investment**.

Other reasons for not going ahead are:

- Risk of flooding downstream especially during our wet season in a subtropical region.
- The destruction of subtropical rainforest
- The destruction of endangered habitat for the koala, platypus and other marine animals that require quality habitat and natural water flows. Not to mention other fauna and flora species
- The destruction of high nutrient agricultural land
- The severance of wildlife corridors
- The destruction of Aboriginal and Cultural heritage
- Destroying people's homes and lifestyle

Please, I urge you to look at other options and not include the Dunoon Dam in the strategy especially in this day and age when there are so many new & innovative technologies.

Regards

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