

3 April 2007

The Secretary,  
Senate Standing Committee on Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport,  
P. O. Box 6100,  
Parliament House,  
Canberra, ACT, 2600.

Dear Ms Radcliffe

**Senate Inquiry on Additional Water Supply for South East Queensland  
Traveston Crossing Dam**

I refer to your recent letter concerning the Senate Enquiry into additional water supplies for South East Queensland. Kilcoy Shire Council has noted that, in particular, the Senate Committee will examine all reasonable options, including dam capacity, for additional water supplies for South East Queensland, including

- a. the merits of all options, including the Queensland Government's proposed Traveston crossing Dam as well as the raising of Borumba Dam, and
- b. the social, environmental, economic and engineering impacts of the various proposals,

and that submissions are invited by Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> April 2007.

At its meeting of 27<sup>th</sup> March 2007 Council resolved to advise the Senate Committee that;

1. *the impacts of modifying existing dams and construction of proposed futures dams should be given careful consideration to ensure that adverse impacts on the social, environmental and economic impacts on communities **within the catchments but upstream of the existing storages** are minimized and that, where possible, the impacts are an enhancement of those aspects of community, and*
2. *the future operation of existing and new infrastructure should be given careful consideration to ensure that they are managed in a way which minimizes adverse impacts on the social, environmental and economic aspects of communities **within those catchments but upstream of the existing storages** and that, where possible, those aspects of community are enhanced.*

I trust that the above is of assistance to the Committee's deliberations.

Yours Faithfully

KL Timms  
**Chief executive Officer.**

