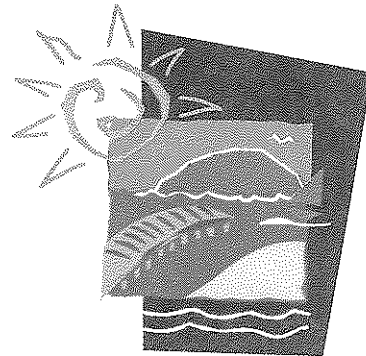


COFFS HARBOUR CITY COUNCIL



Our ref: 1671009

2 July 2007

Senior Clerk of Committees
Parliament of Australia
Department of the Senate
Parliament House
CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Sir

Senate Inquiry into Additional Water Supplies for South-East Queensland - Traveston Crossing Dam

The Coffs Harbour City Council has resolved to advise the above Senate Inquiry that it concurs with the submission to the Inquiry by Clarence Valley Council.

Coffs Harbour City Council is partnering Clarence Valley Council in developing our Regional Water Supply which is dependent on the Clarence River Catchment as its only source of water. It has taken over fifteen (15) years of extensive planning and environmental approvals with a particular emphasis on minimising impacts on environmental flows within the catchment which we feel would be compromised if any further extraction from the Clarence river Catchment is approved. The long-term viability of water supplies to Coffs Harbour and Clarence Valleys community is dependent on implementation of the Regional Water Strategy which is likely to be impacted if further large scale extraction is permitted from the Clarence catchment.

Our communities have been waterwise for many years with some of the lowest per head consumption figures in Australia where our northern neighbours have been irresponsible in their water management for many years.

In conclusion, the Coffs Harbour community says a strong "NO" to further extraction from the Clarence Catchment to service South-East Queensland.

For further information please contact Geoff Newton on 6648 4450.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Kyme Lavelle'.

Kyme Lavelle
Assistant General Manager

