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This is a submission relating to the future of Conargo shire.

We operate a farm business at Mayrung, within the Conargo Shire, there is a school, an RFS shed, a community hall and tennis courts. It is equal distance to Jerilderie, Finley and Deniliquin, we do business in each centre. Any proposal to merge Conargo with Deniliquin will be of no benefit to our business. We rely on good roads not curb and gutter in the streets. With a farm based residence all water and waste disposal is our own responsibility and cost. Sale yard facilities are provided by both Deniliquin and Finley and we pay for the use of them. Grain deliveries are to Tocumwal and rice storage at Blighty. Air agriculture facilities operate from all three towns so are not reliant on Deniliquin. Our local GP practices from Finley. Farm machinery suppliers are utilized from all three towns.

The submission I am making is that a rural shire as proposed by Conargo is much better suited to us as ratepayers than any of the mergers proposed. There is already a lot of cooperation between councils and any assertion that Deniliquin subsidises its neighbors is inaccurate. Thank you for the opportunity to make this submission.

Gordon & Phyllis Ball

