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Submission: 1.The proposed increase in the stormwater charge for Non residential properties over 45000sqm from \$124.64(former Gosford LGA) to \$5427.81 is significant and I cannot see how it can be justified.

Rural properties capture rainwater in storage tanks,dams etc for domestic and property usage.How has that been considered?

2.Within the Plateau area most properties are in the Hawkesbury/Nepean Catchment area and there is no stormwater runoff to the eastern sections of the Coast.

3.Surely the expenditure of funds collected need to be justified,similar to a Section 94 Contribution Plan.Where will the money be spent and what benefit will the ratepayer paying the money receive?

4.At Page 159,paragraph 3, of Council's submission it is stated "as the demand increases due to growth,Council will need to expand on its existing network".

Isn't this what Section 94 contributions are for?

If Council collect rates for stormwater work and then also levy a Section 94 contribution for new developments isn't this "double dipping?