

## Setting Prices for water supply, sewerage services and stormwater drainage – Central Coast Council

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing regarding the proposal to have a consistent approach to the cost of delivering water, sewerage and stormwater drainage services across the Central Coast.

I believe that this proposal is unfair. The Yarramalong Valley where I and my ancestors have resided since 1856 have provided their own water, sewerage and stormwater drainage. We have never relied on Council to provide or support us in any of these areas. In fact, the stormwater run off is natural drainage that returns to the creek and provides water for the council to replenish their dams and provide water to urban dwellers. It would seem fairer that we charge the council (and town residents) for the water we collect on their behalf?

We have our own tanks – council does not provide us with delivering water (although if our tanks run dry we have to pay to have water delivered).

We have our own sewerage systems – council charges us a fee to operate these systems.

The stormwater drainage on this rural property is all natural – it returns to the creek and is used by council to replenish dams and provide water to the urban properties.

Clearly your proposal is unfair to rural land owners who go without many services yet provide so much to the council and residents in the town.

How can you charge consistently when the services you provide are inconsistent among land owners?

No water, no sewerage, no stormwater drainage on my property.... So, NO STORMWATER DRAINAGE CHARGE

Yours Sincerely,

Leonard Fernance

