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Dear Sir

Re Gunns Proposed Pulp Mill

I wish to register my concern about Gunns Proposed Pulp Mill and their decision to source water from the Trevallyn Dam to supply the Pulp Mill.

Taking one percent of water from the dam continuously in turn takes one percent from all rivers feeding the Trevallyn Dam.

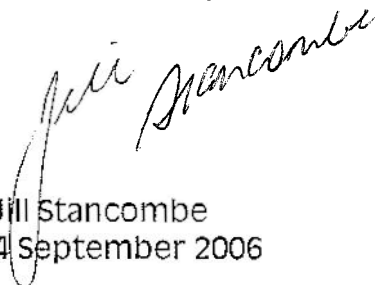
I rely on water from the South Esk River for household, stock and limited irrigation use, and in the last twenty years at least, during many summers irrigators have been restricted over and above their licence in taking water because the river cannot sustain a healthy flow.

Farmers on the South Esk River at present are unable to obtain increased water allowances or new irrigation licences for agricultural purposes because of limited supply.

In the next few years there will be a greater demand for water from the towns drawing water from the South Esk as the population increases.

I am also extremely concerned that Gunns propose to pump the waste water out to sea. If the waste water is environmentally sound when it goes out to sea why shouldn't Gunns be compelled to recycle the water and use the Trevallyn Dam for topping up?

Yours faithfully



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