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To: 'council@warringah.nsw.gov.au'
Subject: Submission on Warringah Biodiversity Conservation Study

Warringah Council,
Council's Senior Environment Officer – Biodiversity,
725 Pittwater Road,
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Dear sir/madam,

Re: Warringah Biodiversity Conservation Study

I have been advised by Todd Dickinson in a phone conversation on Friday 16 March 2012 that:

- 1) The Warringah Biodiversity Conservation Study will not be used for development or planning controls (or to apply a conservation layer to land).
- 2) The Warringah Biodiversity Conservation Study is only for the purpose of prioritising council expenditure.

These two facts must be clearly stated in the report.

As the private land has not been the subject of a detailed site analysis for each site (as mentioned on page 1, the report is primarily a desktop assessment), no accurate classification can be applied to any private land. Due to this fact combined with the fact that the study is for the purpose of prioritising council expenditure, it is important that this report does not cover private land and that no maps that classify any private land are included in this study.

Council's Community Engagement Policy should be changed so:

- 1) Any consultation that is going to be done over the classification of any land must be advised to any affected landowner through a direct mail out to all affected landowners. The landowners must be given a chance to participate in the consultation process.
- 2) All owners of land are notified in writing (to their postal address as per the rates notice) of any document or map that is placed on public exhibition that affects (or could affect) their land or what can or can't be done with their land.

Yours faithfully,

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