"Kulaba"
NARRABRI NSW 2390

25th September 2005

The General Manager
Narrabri Shire Council
P.O. Box 261
NARRABRI NSW 2390

Dear Sir,

Re: Development Application No. 179/2005 "Currawidgen"

As my small holding and small olive grove kept being referred to as an example, I would like to comment on the additional information submitted by the applicant, in your letter dated 12th September 2005.

Firstly, the reason my holding was subdivided away from the original holding was to secure a release from a financial institution and leave me a house to live in.

Secondly, the references to more intensive forms of agriculture, whilst looking good on paper do not transfer into reality. Cheap overseas imports, price control by supermarkets, high labour content, and the reliance on irrigation for most of these intensive forms of agriculture, are great disincentives to get started. The production yields used for the olive production are at the top end and are only likely to happen about year seven or eight, and then only every second year.

Thirdly, there is no comparison between the other subdivision areas around Narrabri and the fertile country of "Currawidgen".

I would urge all councilors to carefully consider all options when making their decision on this proposal.

Yours sincerley

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