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**RE: DA2024/0303 - 337 Lower Plateau Road BILGOLA PLATEAU NSW 2107**

Dear Assessing Officer,

I would like to register my objection to the above application. For the following reasons.

1. This is a slippage area with recent catastrophic damage to roads and houses in the area following heavy rain. Damage including land slippage of the Reserve at the edge of Refuge Cove resulting in at least six houses some of these houses losing decks and swimming pools as well as structural damage. Erosion of many roads and existing natural waterways in the surrounding area. The Council estimated the reconstruction of the reserve around Refuge could take at least 3 years due to lack of Council, State and Federal Funds.
2. The Council is currently undertaking a storm water assessment of the Bilgola Plateau which should be released any day. No approvals to this scale should be accessed until the report is completed and received community review and discussion. Initial thoughts on the damage caused to properties all along the Pittwater side of Bilgola Plateau is that a series of underground "rivers" may have caused this damage. The Council has no verified drainage plans of existing drains, natural waterways and roadways that move this huge volume of water into Pittwater. This is why we should not approve this application until the Council has a clear picture of the current situation and a fully experienced plan to manage stormwater from Bilgola Plateau.
3. Removal of trees will only further destabilise the ground during periods of heavy rain and the additional hard areas eg roads, pathways for the three properties will further add to storm water flooding down the hill and into Pittwater.