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RE: DA2023/0511 - 337 Lower Plateau Road BILGOLA PLATEAU NSW 2107

This area is heavily forested & it is unacceptable that this subdivision DA is suggesting that the extensive clearing of 93 to 119 or more trees is being proposed and not to mention that the undergrowth, including ferns & shrubs will be affected. This will surely have a negative impact for the fauna & flora within this area. The existing trees are not only habitat for the fauna, it also contributes to the to the wildlife corridor which will no doubt have vulnerable species like the Vulnerable Powerful Owl and the Vulnerable Grey-Headed Flying Fox foraging in this area, as well as many other species of fauna/animals.

What is surprising is that there does not seem to be any independent ecological flora and fauna study or report, to ascertain what birds, animals and reptiles frequent this area and also, the different types of plants which exist in this area are not mentioned. I would think that doing an independent ecological study would be essential before planning can go ahead.

The natural watercourse is supporting the surrounding bushland, also the creek is a vital source for the reptiles, frogs, birds and animals who frequent the area. The watercourse should not be disturbed or altered in any way.

I find it strange that there is intent for tree removal, when this DA is for a subdivision, furthermore, there are no plans for any footprints of the buildings, which may be planned for this site. Hopefully there will be no destruction of trees at this early stage, which make up the wildlife corridor.

This is a landslip area, therefore by removing a large amount of trees could lead to the ground being destabilized and of course an inevitable landslip.

If this is a Rainforest Site or an Endangered Ecological Community for Pittwater Spotted Gum Forrest, then this site should be preserved so as the rare forest can be conserved, and the animals can continue to use it as a wildlife corridor.

Regards,

Rosalynd