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As Hunter Water reassured Dungog that a thorough impact study was being prepared, some community members were outraged about the Tillegra dam proposal.

Businessman Doug Boorer of Boorers Engineering, has criticised Hunter Water for its lack of consultation, transparency and accountability. 'For a start they need to be more open with what they're doing', he said. 'They need to come up to the community and say "we're going to do this for you and this is when we'll start and this is when it will be completed." They're doing nothing, never have'. Mr Boorer is concerned about the figures produced bv the economic development tourism sub-committee, as well as what he said was a lack of assistance from Hunter Water. 'I don't disagree with the figures', he said. 'Really, Hunter Water has to change its attitude towards the people. This shire is pretty tight money-wise. Money could be going into our roads instead. Since 1917 they've been taking the lifeblood out of the valley and they've put absolutely nothing back into the community. They don't give a rat's about this valley'.

Wise Ways to Water 11–13 April 2008

A collaborative weekend for the discussion of issues concerning Tillegra Dam. The premise of this gathering is that the NSW State Government's Tillegra Dam proposal raises many questions for those concerned for wise resource management.

The goal is to present an opportunity:
to hear expert opinion on issues relating to the Tillegra Dam and water management
to visit the dam site, a farm that would be lost to the flooding, significant natural areas within the flood zone, and the existing Chichester Dam
to investigate opportunities for a shared response to the Tillegra Dam proposal
to lay ground for further collaboration

Initiated by NTDG and sponsored generously by Wangat Lodge.

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Easter is a time for family & friends. Why not pack your visitors up & take them for a drive through the beautiful Tillegra Valley.



