

26 November 2021

Mr Warwick Bennett
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Dear Mr Bennett,

Thank you for your letter and the draft of Council's application to the Recreational Fishing Trust for funding to undertake riparian lands and waterways habitat restoration along the Wollondilly River.

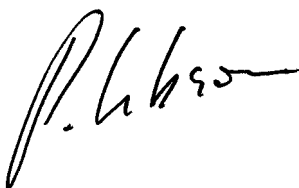
The NSW Council of Freshwater Anglers (NSWCFA) is the peak body for freshwater recreational fishing organisations in NSW, representing more than 30 fishing associations and clubs. Our main aim is to improve recreational fishing access, quality and sustainability in NSW.

The Wollondilly River historically had a number of popular public fishing locations that over the years have been compromised because of loss of habitat and access.

We note that your Council's application to the Habitat Action Grant program proposes to remove exotic vegetation and replant native vegetation along the Wollondilly River starting at the deep pools of Copford Reach, with the work also including the important confluence with the Mulwaree River. This project will create an expanded section of river with improved fish habitat. We understand that angler access to the area will be improved by a new section of the Wollondilly Walking Track which is due for completion in 2022.

We note that in the past Goulburn Mulwaree Council has successfully applied for funds and executed projects that have improved fish habitat and fishing access. Once again, we fully support your application for funding and look forward to hearing updates in the future.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'P. Gibson', written in a cursive style.

Peter Gibson
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NSW Council of Freshwater Anglers
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