

**LETTER to BDN, TIMBER HAULAGE THROUGH TINY QUAAMA,
Megan Sherwood, 10 June 2010**

Dear Sir,

Despite the fact that Australian plantation timbers now meet nearly all our domestic timber needs, logging of Murrah State Forest is imminent and will continue for four to six months. Timber haulage will travel through Field Bucket's Way, Bermagone and Bodalla Streets a few meters from residents' front doors, the school, the General Store, the School of Arts, the park and to the highway. Forests NSW state an average of 8 trucks a day - that is 8 in and 8 out - will follow this route, plus extremely heavy logging machinery which they failed to mention.

Apart from destruction of the forests and loss of habitat, I predict that there will be structural damage to heritage buildings and homes, road damage and loss of real estate value. Quaama is precious and needs protection.

I consider that this activity is in breach of civil liberties as it creates a residential hazard, invades our peace and our restricted walking spaces. FNSW is legally bound to consult with community groups. They said they door-knocked a few residents from Field Buckets Way, which hardly counts as community consultation, but not the Wildlife organisations. The Indigenous people oppose the logging.

My opinion is that once again Forests NSW demonstrates atrocious disregard for this country and now is riding roughshod over the village and villagers of tiny Quaama.

Kind regards,
Megan Sherwood
Quaama