



# Call for one last big push

## Local historian slams all proposed lake threats

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THE Friends of Lake Weyba residents who are "weary and battle scarred from the de-amalgamation campaign, the Federal Election campaign and then the Noosa Council elections" to dig deep for one last civic push.

They want all those concerned that Noosa may win its council back only to have an inappropriate style and level of development forced upon by outside forces, to rally and make as many submissions as possible to the Sunshine Coast Council into the Noosa on Weyba application.

"The local community is justifiably feeling a little

worn-out, but Friends of Lake Weyba urge you all to dig deep, rustle up just a little more of your famous community spirit and make the effort to write and lodge your submission before December 10," a FoLW spokeswoman said.

The FoLW is concerned about the potential threat to "one of our natural assets" in Lake Weyba from up to 1000 new homes.

The spokeswoman said the proposal would "put immense pressure on our services and facilities".

"We can all take inspiration from Noosa's legendary 90-year-old pioneer Colin Monks who set the example for the rest of the community last Thursday, when he completed his 1370-word

painstakingly hand-written submission on the NoW development.

"Colin has documented pages of fascinating historical accounts of Weyba, such as "....King Tommy and over 600 members of the tribe all camped on the land at Weyba, including the land that the developer now claims to be his own".

This Noosa historian closes his submission with: "Why all these pages have been written, is to shout we, Noosa, are different and unique. We all love the land we live in, and on behalf of all those, not now with us, I state that I oppose a development of the land at Weyba Lake. No one in their right mind would want to destroy that"

RESERVE NATURE: A kangaroo at Lake Weyba. Inset, Colin Monks has written a 1370-word submission on the development. Inset Colin Monks.

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