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For seven years Rivers SOS has been lobbying against mining and now CSG extraction in the Special Areas of Sydney's drinking water catchment. Before the last election, Barry O'Farrell pledged that these areas would be off limits to extractive industries. This promise was a no-brainer - of course the highly protected, fenced and gated Special Areas - especially Schedule One areas - must be protected. The ongoing damage by coal mining and now by the threat of CSG borewells is obvious to all.

Is it only the royalties involved that has caused the broken promise ? or is it, as we suspect, the intention to wreck the Special Areas, continue to deplete water quantity as in theWaratah Rivu let and the Upper Cataract River, and force the population of Sydney into paying much more for water from the new de-sal plant in the next drought ? The de-sal plant has been an expensive white elephant, also costly, and wrecking the water supply in the catchments is the only way to make the de-sal plant financially viable.

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