

## [SAVE TUMBARUMBA SHIRE](#)

# **MEDIA ALERT (Wed Feb 14 noon)**

**WHAT:** Tumbarumba was NSW second best “fit for the future” council after Sydney City before it was forcibly merged and is now calling on the NSW Government to get its local council back!

**WHEN AND WHERE:** **12 Noon Wed 14<sup>th</sup> February 2018** at NSW Parliament House, Macquarie Street.

**WHO:** An angry busload of Orange shirted Tumbarumba residents from the Riverina, and NSW politicians including Peter Primrose (Labor), David Shoebridge (Greens), Robert Borsak (Shooters, Fishers & Farmers) and Fred Nile (Christian Democrats).

**WHY:** Protestors are calling on Premier Gladys Berejiklian to reverse the Liberal/Nationals decision to destroy their shire. Tumbarumba was rated the 2<sup>nd</sup> most “fit for the future” council in NSW and despite recommendations from the state’s own delegate and the Boundaries Commission the Government sacked the council and forcibly merged Tumbarumba with Tumut.

The Tumbarumba community is challenging the Government’s action under the Local Government Act and will use provisions of the Act to mount a formal enquiry.

Save Tumbarumba will lodge on this day 14 February a formal proposal with the Local Government Minister signed by hundreds of residents – to redraw the amalgamated shire boundaries so as to restore Tumbarumba’s local government area and council.

The Premier and Minister have repeatedly refused to meet with Tumbarumba’s regional representatives. Efforts will now be directed to achieve the same result as that delivered to Sydney councils who took legal action to achieve independence.

**INTERVIEWS:** Interviews will be available with Save Tumbarumba Shire’s Dr Neil Hamilton 0428 042 214 and Lucy Henderson 0402 278 126. Also attending will be Peter Primrose (Labor), David Shoebridge (Greens), Robert Borsak (SF&F) and Fred Nile (Christian Democrats).