Fish River Water Supply Bill, 1941.

EXPLANATORY NOTE.

THE object of this Bill is to authorise the Minister for Public Works to construct a concrete dam with a capacity of 10,000 million gallons in the Fish River Creek, together with certain incidental works, for the purpose of providing a water supply for Lithgow, Glen Davis, Portland and certain other towns in the Blue Mountains districts.

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(Rough Draft for Consideration Only.)

No. , 1941.

A BILL

To sanction the construction of works of water supply for Lithgow, Glen Davis, Portland and certain other towns in the Blue Mountains District; and for purposes connected therewith.

BE it enacted by the King's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of New South Wales in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

- 1. This Act may be cited as the "Fish River Water Short title. Supply Act, 1941."
- 2. (1) (a) The carrying out of the work described work in the Schedule to this Act is hereby sanctioned.

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(b) The said work shall be deemed to be an authorised work within the meaning of the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended by subsequent Acts.

(c) The Minister for Public Works is 5 empowered to carry out the said work, and shall be the Constructing Authority for the same within the meaning of the said Act as so amended, and shall enter into such contracts and take all such necessary steps for the proper execution thereof as such authority may think proper.

(d) The provisions of the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended by subsequent Acts, sections thirty-four, thirty-five, thirty-six and thirty-seven excepted, shall apply to and in respect of the said work.

- (2) Without prejudice to the generality of sub-15 section one of this section the provisions of section thirty-eight of the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended by subsequent Acts, shall apply to and in respect of any contracts referred to in paragraph (c) of subsection one of this section.
- 20 3. The plan of the said work is the plan marked Plan. "Fish River Water Supply Scheme" signed by the Minister for Public Works and countersigned by the Principal Engineer, Water Supply and Sewerage, and deposited in the public office of the said Minister.
- 25 4. The cost of carrying out the said work (exclusive cost. of land resumptions) is estimated at eight hundred and sixty-five thousand pounds and such estimated cost shall not, under any circumstances, be exceeded by more than ten per centum.

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SCHEDULE.

A concrete storage dam of approximately 10,000 million gallons capacity to be constructed in the Fish River Creek, near Oberon, gravitation mains, a pumping station at Mount Victoria Pass and balance tanks; together with electrical substations, transmission and 35 control lines, road deviations and all other work incidental thereto.

The work to be subject to such modifications as may be considered desirable by the Minister.