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Sent: Sunday, 14 May 2023 4:06 PM
To: NRC
Subject: Re: Letter to licence holders-Murrumbidgee Regulated River Water Source 2016

Gday Bryce ,
Don't envy your position,nor the questions that must be asked ,

So why do you ask such questions , when little has been actioned from peoples answers before .

The fact is farmers irrigators communities business are now suffering from over licencing many decades earlier.

Our family has a 5 generation long history of witnessing so many changes irrigating from the banks of the river.
We have gone from 2 12inch Crosley steam engine pumps, on 13 miles of river,(nil licencing) (nil climate change)
which were used whenever we needed to. ;
To our current position very little if ever.....

In fairness every situation, property , outcome is different , but i know your decisions must be made for the betterment of all.

The changes so far;

1;Environmental outcomes ; record flooding; record droughts , record clearing within 2 ks of the river,
As we speak record silt load from one of the rivers tributary, .currently passing by is catastrophic.

2.Social outcomes ; less profit , less opportunity, higher levels of debt , less production, more control ,red tape

3,Aboriginal cultures ; becomes less as environment deteriorates.....

4. Deteriorating economically as land topsoil deteriorates ; both by record flooding(water velocity) followed by extreme drought.

Complex but..... Not necessarily the plans fault.

5.Global warming well under wayto little to late

You will laugh, but floodplain harvesting may lessen the severity of further downstream flooding in certain extreme circumstances .

6.Irrigation Is not a monster.....over licensing was the monster

Price gauging is well under way with fixed charges out of control , with what can be produced from the water.
pass through charges on one H.S. licence increased 4000% ; when questioned about it via email nobody responded ;fell on deaf ears

So i had no choice but to make my own interpretation , and pushed this atrocity through as GST .
Disgusting considering where our family has come from over the generations .

Not sure this helps

On Thu, May 11, 2023 at 2:38 PM NRC <NRC@nrc.nsw.gov.au> wrote:



11 May 2023

Dear Licence Holder,

Natural Resources Commission – seeking submissions to water sharing plan review

The Natural Resources Commission (the Commission) is undertaking a review of the *Water Sharing Plan for the Murrumbidgee Regulated River Water Source 2016* that is due to expire 30 June 2026. This review follows a review of the Water Sharing Plan for the Murrumbidgee Unregulated River Water Sources 2012 undertaken in 2022. The report for that review will be published on the Commission’s website late June 2023.

Water sharing plans prescribe how water is shared between users in NSW to provide for the environment and support social and economic outcomes. The Commission has a statutory role under Section 43A of the *Water Management Act 2000* to review water sharing plans approaching expiry. These reviews help to identify opportunities to improve water sharing plan provisions and Plan outcomes, and the Commission’s reviews are considered by the Minister for Water when deciding whether to extend or remake a water sharing plan.

As you may be aware this water sharing plan was recently amended as part of the process of developing Water Resource Plans to comply with the requirements of the Commonwealth *Basin Plan 2012*. Water sharing plans are the legal instruments for managing water in NSW and are components of Water Resource Plans.

The Commission’s review will cover the currently legislated plan. However, we may comment on the impact to outcomes of any amendments that were made.

Stakeholder engagement is an important part of the Commission’s review process, as we appreciate hearing your perspectives on the Plan’s achievements. Licence holders and other stakeholders are encouraged to participate in the review process by making a submission to the Commission. In addition to any issues you would like to raise, submissions should also address these questions:

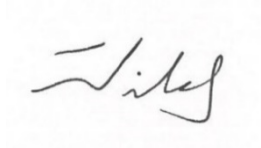
- 1 To what extent do you believe the plan has contributed to environmental outcomes?
- 2 To what extent do you believe the plan has contributed to social outcomes?
- 3 To what extent do you believe the plan has contributed to Aboriginal cultural outcomes?
- 4 To what extent do you believe the plan has contributed to economic outcomes?
- 5 To what extent do you believe the plan has contributed to meeting its objectives?
- 6 What changes do you believe are needed to the water sharing plan to improve outcomes?

Please email your submission to nrc@nrc.nsw.gov.au by **5 pm, 30 June 2023**.

All submissions will be made available on the Commission's website, unless a submission is marked confidential or contains material that is defamatory, offensive or in breach of any law. Submissions will also be shared with NSW DPE Water unless otherwise specified. Further details about the review scope and submission process are available on the Commission's website:

<https://www.nrc.nsw.gov.au/water/wsp-reviews/home>

Yours sincerely



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