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What organisation (if relevant) are you from?

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To what extent do you agree or disagree with the Panel's key findings and recommendations, and why? Please provide as much detail as possible.

I Agree with these findings however I believe that greater accountability needs to be demanded from the Authorities that are conducting the Environmental Watering projects ! The reports to date are vague at the very least verging on fraudulent in many instances. Our community has collated numerous examples of the flawed science that many of the watering plans are based on ! Please feel free to contact us to share these with you !

Are there any significant gaps? What are we missing?

Your draft like the MDBP fails to acknowledge the Environmental Benefits of Irrigated Agriculture ! As 70% of the basin is privately owned I find it fascinating that there is no data re what native fauna and flora it supports ! A collaborative approach where Irrigation Farmers and Authorities worked together could be such an exciting opportunity ! I would love to have this added to your recommendations ! The Bitterns in Rice project is a great example of how primary production and Environmental Benefits can occur ! Dual purpose water needs to be explored !

If implemented, do you think our recommendations would make a difference or have a benefit to you and/or your community?

Yes

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Our community has awareness of the river operations however much of the data released by the MDBA or delivery partners such as NC CMA lacks credibility and is more often than not flawed and incorrect but is released to the public with no accountability !

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Example Gannawarra Shire has experienced a 44% increase in crime since 2014 and 54 % increase in domestic violence ! The social impacts of the MDBA and water reform are largely ignored and our communities remain unsupported apart from being offered more enquiries and reports of which there have been over 106 to date . Of which very few recommendations have been implemented . Even the panels employed to conduct them have obvious conflicts of interest and dodgy management of information sourcing ! I'm happy to be contacted to enlighten you of the enquiries I'm concerned about