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### Assessment report

I haven't been able to completely read this document but query the general gist of everything is going well and the whole community is better off . I don't think any of the agricultural communities would agree - huge changes have occurred and superficially many may be better off but the assumptions maynot be backed up solidly in real life

Moving water from GMID to Mildura / SA has supported huge growth in planted areas but do they have the water or are part of the 1/3 own 1/3 lease 1/3 spot purchase shaky territory when Murray has 66% allocation . water use here is 50 % higher per ha than in the area the water came from, corporate farms have led this charge but their reporting of the financial implications of this policy to their shareholders in virtually non existent

If current proposals to limit trade down the Goulburn and through Barmah much of this "new development" will be stranded .

The report makes out Shepparton region is thriving - yes it is growing- but smaller towns are not growing and economic turnover must be falling .

Milk production is falling dramatically but despite some factories closing due to lack of milk new companies are building factories and competing for the ever decreasing milk supply but won't pay more for supply.

On page 69 Table 2 how does a 3% decline in rain lead to an 11% increase in allocation surely a decrease of 11%

I wonder what the value of tourists is in the current "lockdown of cov19 "