

**Submission  
No 28**

**IMPACTS OF THE WATER AMENDMENT (RESTORING OUR RIVERS) ACT  
2023 ON NSW REGIONAL COMMUNITIES**

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# Submission

to the Inquiry into the

## Impacts of the Water Amendment (Restoring Our Rivers) Act 2023 on NSW Regional Communities



This submission consists of a submission to this inquiry, as well as “chapters” consisting of the March 2025 submission on “prescribed wetlands”, and the September 2015 submission to the Senate Inquiry on social, economic and environmental impacts of the Murray-Darling Basin Plan on regional communities. With an article written 4/10/23, these now form a total submission to this inquiry because it directly relates to the issues, and sadly, since 2015, nothing much has changed. We are STILL ignored.

Jeanine Bird  
6/4/2025

# Terms of Reference

[Impacts of the \*Water Amendment \(Restoring Our Rivers\) Act 2023\* on NSW regional communities.](#)



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

Committee on Investment, Industry and Regional Development

## Inquiry into the impacts of the *Water Amendment (Restoring Our Rivers) Act 2023* on NSW regional communities

### Terms of reference

- a) the social, economic and environmental impact of repealing limits to the cap on Commonwealth water purchases
- b) the risks to the effective implementation of the Federal Water Amendment (Restoring Our Rivers) Act 2023 including unlicensed take of water and options to address these risks such as rules for floodplain harvesting
- c) the impact of Planned Environmental Water rules on the reliability of water allocations in NSW and the Commonwealth's environmental water holdings
- d) the impact of rules-based changes on the reliability of water allocations in NSW, including their impact on different water license categories
- e) the effectiveness and impacts of past water reforms, including community-based water reduction adjustment programs such as the Strengthening Basin Communities program and Murray-Darling Basin Economic Development Program
- f) options to improve future community-based reduction adjustment programs including next rounds of the Sustainable Communities Program
- g) any other related matter

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Impacts of the Water Amendment

(Restoring Our Rivers) Act 2023

on NSW Regional Communities

6/4/25

Mr Roy Butler, MP,  
Chair,  
Investment, Industry and Regional Development Committee  
Parliament House  
6 Macquarie Street  
SYDNEY NSW 2000

Dear Sir,

Sadly, despite many submissions since the inception of the Water Act (2007), not much has changed, and in reality, nobody has really been listened to, ESPECIALLY people living in the bush. This has continued to be the case up until the Restoring Our Rivers amendment, as it holds only continued bad news for rural communities.

We continue to be dictated to by Canberra and city-centric State governments, regardless of the particular party in power. They might just as well be one party.

I have already submitted several times to various committees regarding the impact of the Water Act on regional communities, and just because “they” decided to reintroduce buybacks to achieve their aim of taking the original amount of water out of the system by re-labelling it as “*Restoring Our Rivers*”, doesn’t make it any different. It is just another impost on us all, and another blow to the rural and regional economies.

My submission therefore, in light of this will consist of four parts:

1)

Some comments on the current terms of reference

2)

“***The Great Con Is On II***”, my March 2025 submission on “prescribed wetlands”, after having submitted in February before the NSW Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water (DCCEEW) “*changed*” their mapping supposedly in response to the reaction to them trying to take control of any bit of land in NSW where water may lay in a depression after rain. This submission is highly relevant because I delve into the BASIS for this, the original sin, and what should be done.

3)

My September 2015 submission to the ***Senate Inquiry on Social, Economic and Environmental***

The Committee will look into major changes from recent federal legislation, such as

- the impact of reintroducing buybacks
- risks to achieving legislative outcomes, such as reducing unlicensed take of water
- the impact of environmental water rules and rules-based changes in NSW
- options to improve government programs aimed at offsetting the impacts of buybacks.

**impacts of the Murray-Darling Basin Plan on regional communities.** This is relevant because it shows what had happened since the introduction of the Act, and what would be likely to happen, what the major problems were, and what **SHOULD** be done to fix them. Not only is it relevant in light of the past, but the future, because the “modelling” by the Murray Darling Basin Authority (MDBA) has NEVER been correct.

- 4) My published article **TOO MUCH PRETEND “LISTENING” & NOT ENOUGH REPRESENTATION OF CONSTITUENTS. *Business As Usual!*** sent to Sussan Ley and the *Coalition Backbench Committee on Agriculture: Shadow Water Minister, Senator Perin Davey, Senator Matt Canavan, Sam Birrell MP and Rowan Ramsay MP, who conducted an “MDB Listening Tour” (4/10/23) about this very thing - the amendments to the Water Act and the Basin Plan which will remove the leap on buybacks and open the 450GL to open tender buybacks where it was previously limited to infrastructure works.*

These now form a total submission to this inquiry as their own Chapters because they directly relate to the issue, and since 2015, nothing much has changed.

# Chapter One

## Some comments on the current terms of reference

### CONSTITUTIONAL UNLAWFULNESS

I have been particularly interested in coming at this from a Constitutional angle, and the fact that our federal politicians signed us up, treacherously, to something which cannot ever be quantified. That is the “open cheque-book”, that **our Water Act is contingent on any FUTURE agreements which we may sign, which “they” (SOMEONE? WHO??) deem are applicable.**

I was the first one in Australia to point this out, and it is a huge issue - as if the original sin wasn’t an issue which gutted regional Australia at it’s inception, it has continued to do so with buy-backs, red tape and the requirement to make submissions in order to stave off the inevitable; but it will continue to gut it yet again with the “*reintroduced*” buybacks, which were the product of shonky modelling in the first place. This has been shown to be the case over and over, but of course it has been ignored.

I believe that not enough emphasis has been put on the unlawful way the Water Act came into being, because the Constitution clearly states there needs to be a **REFERENDUM** in order to deal with such a significant change to it, particularly something like water management, but it has been a sneaky back-door coup to achieve it. This is outlined in more details in the above-mentioned submissions, now chapters of this submission.

I believe that global water expert the late Prof. John Briscoe’s comments are required reading in order to understand the skullduggery employed by our governments in introducing and implementing the Water

Act, which still impacts us today, and still drives the water agenda.

Briscoe was originally invited to make a submission<sup>1</sup> into the provisions of the Water Act 2007 because he had been Senior Water Advisor at the World Bank, then as Professor of Environmental Engineering at Harvard University, directed the Harvard Water Program. He visited Australia three times in 2010 “one as a member of the **High-Level External Review Panel convened by the MDBA to review the draft Guide to the Basin Plan**; one to work with the National Water Commission, and once as part of the Harvard/University of Melbourne/Monash/Committee for the Economic Development of Australia water collaboration.”

Briscoe “followed developments relating to the Water Act 2007 very closely”.

Unfortunately, his words have proven to be prophetic:

My conclusion is stark. I believe that the Water Act of 2007 was **founded on a political deception and that that original sin is responsible for most of the detour on which Australian water management now finds itself**. I am well aware that unpredictability is an enemy and that there are large environmental, social and economic costs of uncertainty. But I also believe that Australian cannot find its way in water management if this Act is the guide. I would urge the Government to start again, to re-define principles, to engage all who have a stake in this vital issue, and to produce, as rapidly as possible, a new Act which can serve Australia for generations to come. And which can **put Australia back in a world leadership position in modern water management**.

Briscoe believed **Australia was world class in water management** prior to the Water Act 2007.

MALFEASANCE OF GOVERNANCE

Since it’s inception, there has been economic and social fallout all over the Basin - businesses have closed, banks have foreclosed, people have lost equity in their homes, or lost their homes, businesses or farms because of the upheaval and inability to continue to trade depending on the water allocation they previously had. This flowed onto small businesses and jobs were lost as a consequence. Poeples committed suicide over it. But **NO-BODY took responsibility**. This was malfeasance of governance; in effect, theft of private property and sweat equity put in by business people and workers in our regions. Nobody cared despite whole basin communities crying blue murder.

This continues to this day, and the recent attempt to steal control over private property via the water sharing plans (WSP) for “prescribed wetlands<sup>2</sup>” is a case in point. The NSW DCCEW want to do **over-bank watering**, and because they were caught out satellite mapping practically any puddle or depression across the State and calling it a potential “**prescribed wetlands**”, they’ve “re-mapped”. However, they’re proposing to introduce “**off-river pool**”<sup>3</sup> rules to “**prohibit new works and trades where they don’t currently apply**”.

A CORPORATION DICTATES

This is a form of theft, under the guise of protecting wetlands. A corporation (NSW) is dictating to private landholders what they can and cannot do with their land. The State of NSW is now a Corporation, registered overseas, and therefore, comes under Corporation law. It cannot raise a tax or rate on another corporation or entity or private individual. If the reader does not understand this, they

<sup>1</sup> Prof. John Briscoe’s submission to the Senate Standing Committee on Legal and Constitutional Affairs 24/2/2011 (written & Hansard verbal)

<sup>2</sup> Chapter 2 - The Great Con is On II; more detail in Chapter 3 - Socio Economic impacts

<sup>3</sup> Chapter 2 - The Great Con is On II, Page 19



The photo above shows the terrible impact of “environmental water” rising and dropping metres a day at Hay, eroding the Murrumbidgee River banks, killing majestic River Red Gums, fish, and generally replacing a beautiful river enjoyed by people and creatures alike with a muddy clay. See *Farmers Left High & Dry over Water Rights* by Sue Neale<sup>3</sup>

*The Australian*, 12/6/15. Picture [copied above] by Stuart McEvoy showing ex Mayor Mick Rutledge & Rhonda Chughton in River  
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need to do a some homework. If Members of Parliament do not understand this, they need to understand their own liability in this system.

New “wetlands” will be formed when they do over-bank watering, causing “**off-river pools**”, therefore, the map will, by default, practically return to their original mapping.

I have outlined<sup>1</sup> in previous submissions, as encompassed now in chapters of this submission, that this is coming from the United Nations (UN), and we are following their agendas, which only benefit the elites of the world, globalist corporations and globalist financiers as they quickly hope to implement Agenda 30 and Paris.

Our STATE government needs to recognise this, and fight for it’s citizen’s rights, over and above the unelected globalists. This is the ideal time to stand up, as the USA is currently taking that trajectory, and it will become clearer that nation-states are being manipulated by the UN agenda. Further, World Economic Forum (WEF) chair [Klaus Schwab](#) has just announced he is resigning, and this, I believe may just be the beginning of a global unravelling and awakened understanding of how we have been manipulated for the benefit of a few to control our resources and people.

REINTRODUCING BUY-BACKS

The Modelling for the MDB Plan (MDBP) always was unscientific, and designed to upset our economy, which is really stealing the nation’s food security. If the dam system had not been built to CONSERVE water to grow food and fibre crops and provide secure water for communities, then we would not have the UN driven agenda implemented by sycophantic politicians and bureaucrats trying to steal it now.

We know that the general purposes of the Water Act and the Basin Plan are **(1) to give effect to relevant international agreements**<sup>2</sup>. The Federal Government told us that. This was the **same committee** Prof Briscoe was asked to submit to, therefore, after reading his assessment and looking at the verbal evidence he gave, this admission by the Government actually backs up Briscoe’s accounting of the back-room dealing. Remember, he was considered an insider, and brought in to give them a favourable report - which he most certainly did NOT!

Now that the State - or rather individual MPs on this committee - know about this, they are in a position to fight for their people, against the Commonwealth. Tony Burke’s “big stick” (ie, implementing it via the External Affairs power if the State’s didn’t sign up to it) should be exposed for what it is, and there should be a referendum.

<sup>1</sup> Chapters 2 & 3 submissions; article Ch 4  
<sup>2</sup> First on the list: (2011) Australian Government Response to the Senate Legal and Constitutional Affairs References Committee Report: *A Balancing Act: provisions of the Water Act 2007*. (This report has miraculously now been afforded “copyright”, and the link deleted, so I am unable to put a link; however, I do have a copy).

The meaning of  
“Conservation” in  
the INTENT is “to  
extract water  
from the system  
and conserve it  
for further use”.

Index to the “Constitution of The Commonwealth of Australia” -  
for a Commonwealth law to be valid must comply ..... with the  
intent of the framers of the Constitution.

Conservation in the INTENT is to extract water from the system  
and conserve it for further use”. It is NOT to send out to sea at  
the mouth

## Correct the CORRUPT WATER MARKET ..... Users Not Speculators

*Government intervention in the Water market has corrupted the market [which]... has no relevance to the physical properties of water. E.g. Water runs downhill, so water in SA shouldn't be able to be traded (inter-valley) for say, MIA water, because it cannot physically run "uphill". It is a "paper trade" ... the money being made by speculators.*

*Perhaps Sir Humphrey can explain to the Minister:*

**Minister:** Humphrey, maybe the people have a point. I mean, they **use** water, but it's just thin air the traders are playing with. It wouldn't even spill on their desk on the way through. It's ghostly. Transparent. Well, it's not transparent really, is it?

**Humphrey:** Yes, Minister ..... Water has to be transparent, it IS transparent, but it 's necessary to muddy the transparency or the people might see a phantom through the fog and and the government wouldn't be able to offset the balance of payments with a transparent entry on the carbon credit ledger that, being circuitous, is naturally muddy and can trickle down the ledger and be held in dam, if you like, until it can flood into consolidated revenue to pay for the next election promises, Minister.

**Minister:** But, but what is it they are really trading? Where does it come from?

**Humphrey:** *Ministerrr ....* **entitlements!** They're trading entitlements.

**Minister:** What are they entitled to?

**Humphrey:** Nothing Sir. That's the point of the transparency! In a transparent world, they're entitled to an allocation, but in the muddied transparency, the fog of it is they don't get an allocation. They couldn't Sir, not even the irrigators get allocated an allocation so in the absence of allocations we solved the problem by allowing them to trade entitlements; not that they're really entitled to the entitlement, or the allocation, but it's allocated anyway, because they want to be entitled to something.

**Minister:** I seeeee ..... so the irrigators don't get an allocation but they can sell their entitlement, and the government doesn't have an entitlement, but sells allocations and entitlements? Do the irrigators pay anyone for their allocations?

**Humphrey:** (smugly) Yes, of COURSE, Sir. How do you think we pay for the departments dealing with Water and the Environment? It HAS to come from somewhere. We allocate the irrigators and other users an entitlement that entitles them to use the allocation, **IF** we give them an entitlement, or indeed, an allocation. If we didn't do this, we wouldn't be able to allocate the proper entitlements to fund the environment, then you'd have the international lobbyists thinking they're entitled to part of the allocation and wanting in to trade entitlements to translucent flows too. Then you'd have a problem because if you extrapolate that to it's natural extension, there may not be people willing to pay what the traders want for the translucent water, so it would clearly lose it's transpicuous value, and we wouldn't be able to allocate the departments with the entitlements they expect to be allocated.

**Minister:** On the muddy side of the ledger, you mean?

**Humphrey:** Yes Minister, but in the most transparent way, of course.

J Bird

19/6/2016

The water the Commonwealth want to “buy back” cannot even be delivered to South Australia without massive flooding, or, as they want to call it, “**over bank watering**”. There is a huge amount of evidence now that SA has lied consistently, and the numbers are totally impractical. They have already flooded out people on the Murray trying this experiment - it is simply just undeliverable.

## RESTORING OUR RIVERS - Sir Humphrey Alive & Well

Not only this, how is it that huge gums can survive 200 years or more, and suddenly they need unseasonal, man-induced flooding to survive?

I think that the only “**Restoring our Rivers**” which needs to be done is the man-made mess from pushing water down in stops and starts, and letting too much water out at a time which kills the fish near the dam spills. Trees have fallen in because of the way the water has been mis-managed, and this **did not happen** BEFORE the 2007 Water Act was thrust upon us unlawfully. I believe that the people who knew how to manage all this were sacked, or couldn't work with such stupidity and left.



Now, we are going to do over-bank-watering, which is going to wreck the environment even more, and we'll be talking about how that can be restored (back again) in years to come. Again, the problem with this is that climate change bureaucrats will create another problem which they will surely have to “fix” by restricting owners usage because the over-bank watering creates off-river pools.

In true “Yes Minister” style, the “management” of this land will be taken from the rightful owners and put into the hands of the people who caused the problems in the first place. Sir Humphrey is alive and well, as he has been in the whole water debacle. (see opposite page).

## A VERY SIMPLE SOLUTION TO WATER RECOVERY

MP for Murray, Helen Dalton has suggested that the water held by NSW, SA and VIC - which they don't need, could be sold off to the Commonwealth, which would give them the coveted extra water, rather than stealing it from the productive people of our nation.

## GOVERNMENTS SHOULD NOT BE CORRUPTING WATER MARKETS

This “state” water, along with the Commonwealth's water, jams up the dams so that farmers can barely get 30% of their allocation in a good year.

Our States (and Commonwealth) should not be in the water market, nor should they be distorting it. Who are they holding it for?? It can't possibly ALL be used for “environmental” purposes. Is this the UN agenda?

To start with, Governments start with the premise that **they** are gods, and own all the water to begin with, so we should pay them for it. In fact, the God Almighty sends us rain, which ownership is assumed, then counted by “the State” as “unlicensed take” of water. This is a serious mistake.

I live within 3km of the Fivebough swamp, re-labelled “wetlands” under RAMSAR<sup>1</sup>. Anyone in this position can be told what they can and cannot do with their land, and as time goes on, this will become the ‘norm’. I reject this, and do not consent. There is more about it in the “*Great Con Is On*” chapter.

However, I don’t believe that people bordering this swamp even know what’s going on. I only found out by mistake. In fact, we should have been consulted, or alerted to what NSW nanny-state was doing, but of course, it is much better to be underhand about it, or there might have been even more kick-back - and they got enough of that, as it turned out.

In flood-plain country, it is fair enough that people capture water as it flows over their land, within reason. It cannot be considered “state” water as the event which caused it is an “act of God”. Furthermore, we DO NOT have a water scarcity problem in Australia. There is PLENTY of water, but it doesn’t always come on time -therefore, we ought to prepare for the bad times in the good times, or store water when it’s flooding.

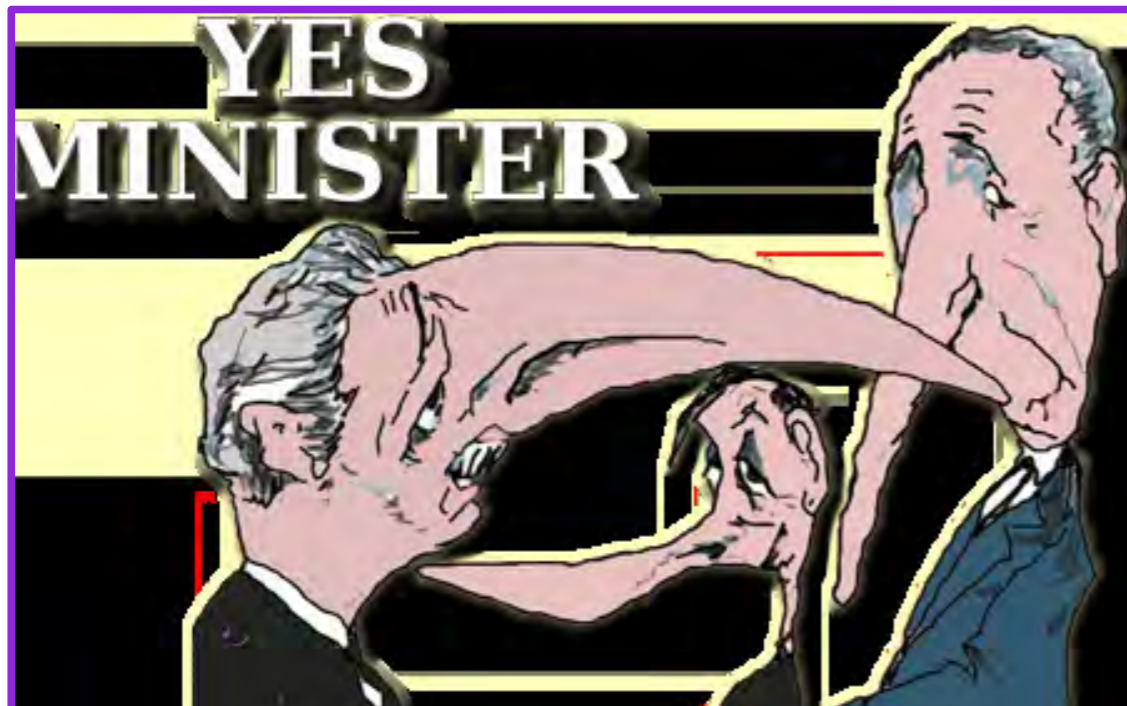
That way, we would have sustainable communities, and wouldn’t need programs such as the *Strengthening Basin Communities* program and *Murray-Darling Basin Economic Development Program*. I have always argued that the amount of money being outlaid on the MDBP could have built a dam just for the birds and frogs, and left communities and irrigators to continue growing food and fibre using the water that we’ve instead allowed to be traded and commoditised all for the globalists to get control of it, since the general purpose was foremostly to give effect to international agreements, and NOT for food security.

Once we delve into that realm, we begin to understand that the whole game is about control. The globalist agenda is **deregulation, privatisation, trade liberalisation, commodification**, and of course the ultimate **structural adjustment** of nations, moulding the world to the UN/ IMF/ WTO/ WEF model by fair means or foul: often ***grants or loans which can never be repaid and have strings attached***. In our case, we’ve opened up trading to those not using water for food and fibre production; they can now hold us to ransom as they do other global markets.

I believe that the legal arguments are set out in the next two chapters, which, as stated previously, are earlier submissions - one earlier, and one current - which expand on the arguments above without reinventing the wheel.

Yours in Australian Water **for** Australians, not Globalists.

Jeanine Bird.  
6/4/25.



<sup>1</sup> The Convention on Wetlands of International Importance especially as Waterfowl Habitat - Ramsar, Iran 2/2/1971)

# Submission

to the Inquiry into the

## Impacts of the Water Amendment (Restoring Our Rivers) Act 2023 on NSW Regional Communities

### Chapter Two

### THE GREAT CON IS ON II

### MURKY WATERS RUN DEEP

**Proposed Water Sharing Plans (WSP) Prescribed Wetlands in  
draft inland unregulated water sharing plans 2025 - Round 2.**

Second Round - Post NSW Government's data debacle and mapping disaster with a "fast-tracked" "re-mapping".

The UN compliant plan to fast-track the removal of land & water from private hands back-fired so that "option two" needed to be rushed into existence, with further submissions required.

# The Great Con Is On II

## Murky Waters Run Deep

Proposed Water Sharing Plans (WSP) Prescribed Wetlands in draft inland unregulated water sharing plans 2025 - Round 2.

Jeanine Bird  
March 2025

Protection of WSP Prescribed Wetlands







[First Round submitted to in February]

We propose to prohibit new or amended works:

- within a WSP prescribed wetland displayed on the relevant WSP Prescribed Wetlands Map
- within, or within 3 km upstream of, a Ramsar wetland,

unless there will be no more than minimal harm to the wetland concerned. This rule does not apply to replacement works. We propose to prohibit trade into those wetlands.

Water Sharing Plan

	Murrumbidgee		Namoi and Peel
	Lachlan		Barwon-Darling
	Macquarie/Wambuul-Bogan		Gwydir

The NSW Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water (the department) is seeking your comments on the **Water Sharing Plan (WSP) Prescribed Wetlands** proposed in the **Murrumbidgee, Lachlan, Macquarie/Wambuul-Bogan, Namoi and Peel, Barwon-Darling and Gwydir** inland unregulated water sharing plans 2025.

Public exhibition of the 6 draft inland unregulated water sharing plans has closed. An extension has been provided until 2 February 2025 for comments relating only to the proposed WSP Prescribed Wetlands. Please use this form to make a submission about the proposed WSP Prescribed Wetlands or simply email [wspconsultation@dpie.nsw.gov.au](mailto:wspconsultation@dpie.nsw.gov.au). More detailed comments are welcomed as attachments.

For information about the proposed WSP Prescribed Wetlands, please see the Fact Sheets on 'Improving protection of wetlands in inland New South Wales' and 'Identifying wetlands for inclusion in water sharing plans', and draft maps available on our website. You will be emailed a copy of your responses.

Send completed submissions to: Email: [wspconsultation@dpie.nsw.gov.au](mailto:wspconsultation@dpie.nsw.gov.au)

Note: Submissions regarding the proposed WSP Prescribed Wetlands close 2nd February 2025

Information provided by the  
NSW Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water

Round 2: Required due to backlash against “incompetent” mapping to lock up land and usurp “landowners” rights in favour of the globalist UN agenda.

Submissions close: 11:59pm on 23 March 2025.

**NSW DCCEEW make the best of being caught out for at the very least, total incompetence, and more probably totally planned debacle in their rush to “remove the means of production, distribution and exchange” to comply with UN protocols whilst steam-rolling all over NSW/Australian landholders’ rights (ref quotes on pg 4):**

**NSW DCCEEW Executive Director of Water Planning [Giselle Howard](#) said:**

“This is a great example of how much we value community feedback and how crucial it is in helping us get our water sharing plans right.

“While we recognise that some of the data that we used for the original wetlands’ maps had not been subjected to rigorous ground truthing, the feedback we received over the extended consultation period was invaluable in highlighting the nature and scale of potential impacts that this may cause to landholders.

“As a result, we were able to fast-track changes to wetland maps and are now going back out to the community four weeks after the initial consultation closed to give everyone another chance to have their say.

“We’ve gone the extra mile to ensure we provide opportunities for people to share feedback, and we thank everyone for being so proactive and generous with their time because it really does help us focus on making sure the information is accurate.

“Now we’re keen to hear from as many residents, farmers, landholders and stakeholders as possible to ensure everyone understands the revised approach and the updated maps are appropriate before we release the final water sharing plans in July this year.”

# The Great Con Is On

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**Bob Hawke knew.** Looking back and knowing about the Great Reset and WEF plans, remember what Bob Hawke said in 1971<sup>1</sup>:

*"I have asserted it proudly. I am a Socialist. I believe that ultimately the people of Australia will be best served when the means of production, distribution and exchange are removed from private ownership and are owned by the people."*

*"..... to this stage, the Australian people have not been prepared to democratically make the decision to have a socialist society."*

<sup>1</sup> Fin. Review, 1/3/71

"....it takes a considerable time — decades and not years — for institutional reform and new initiatives on IWRM\* to mature".

\*IWRM - Integrated Water Resource Management<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Source: **Global Program Review: The Global Water Partnership July 2, 2010** by 2010 Independent Evaluation Group, The World Bank Group, pg 62, Box 8 - GWP Restricted Funding Accelerated Moves toward IWRM in Africa

**1.3** Accordingly, an International Conference on Water and the Environment in Dublin (January 1992) **established a set of principles for water development and management** and the (June 1992) UN Conference on Environment and Development in Rio de Janeiro fully endorsed the move toward **more integrated and comprehensive water resources management..** The Rio Declaration also *proposed "establishing a new and equitable partnership through the creation of new levels of cooperation among States<sup>1</sup>, key sectors of society and people."*

**Together, these conferences established the rationale for a global partnership to provide guidance to water management and development.** [end quote]<sup>2</sup>

<sup>1</sup> States = Nation States, i.e. members of the United Nations

<sup>2</sup> GWP Global Program Review 2010 (Vol 4 Issue 3 – July 2010)

**In Summary, the general purposes of the Water Act and the Basin Plan are:**

**To give effect to relevant international agreements.**

First on the list: (2011) Australian Government Response to the Senate Legal and Constitutional Affairs References Committee Report: *A Balancing Act: provisions of the Water Act 2007.*

*(This report has miraculously now been afforded "copyright", so I am unable to put a link; however, I do have a copy).*

## Preface

# The Great Con Is On

to move land and water out of the hands of private citizens and into the control of the United Nations and their globalist elite mates, not the least being bankers or financiers who have been on a global water-grabbing spree for the last couple of decades.

These are well-documented facts, particularly laid out in the UN's own documents and Conventions we are party to. It's understood by the bureaucracy and politicians to the detriment of ordinary Australians' inalienable rights and liberties embedded in our Commonwealth Constitution.

# The Great Con Is On II

This second submission, or Round Two, is required because Government confidently over-stepped its own assumption that the effects of leftist gradualism on the populace was considerably further advanced than their expectation.

Once the word got out, an agenda purposely pushed out without proper display, consultation, communication or disclosure about their true intent, met the point of resistance.

Just as the Federal Government told us about their Water Act – that its general purpose was to "give effect to relevant international agreements", so is what is happening in NSW, which is also being governed by the Federal Water Act.

This is in **DIRECT COMPETITION** with the interests of the NSW and Australian people, because they are kow-towing to an alien **UNELECTED** elite group generally operating through UN tentacles, rather than the people who supposedly elect them.

How many people realise that we have been conned by “a sophisticated network of international arrangements directed to the personal, economic, social and cultural development of all human beings”?<sup>1</sup>

How many Local Government Councillors understand that they have been conned by “a sophisticated network of international arrangements directed to the personal, economic, social and cultural development of all human beings”?<sup>2</sup>

How many Councillors, Politicians and citizens of NSW realise that when they have been advised or coerced or convinced that it's a good idea to list a swamp as a “RAMSAR Wetlands”, or change a Water Act to comply or give effect to international agreements over and above the interests of Australians, that there is actually “a sophisticated network of international arrangements directed to the personal, economic, social and cultural development of all human beings”, fully planned and funded globally, set up to convince or shame them to this way of thinking?? Do Councillors understand the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) they've signed up to; and do they understand the cost impact and the real implications?

<sup>1</sup> [Judge Wilson](#), High Court, Australia (1/7/1983)

<sup>2</sup> Ibid.

[https://water.dpie.nsw.gov.au/\\_\\_data/assets/pdf\\_file/0006/626487/revised-protections-for-inland-NSW-wetlands.pdf](https://water.dpie.nsw.gov.au/__data/assets/pdf_file/0006/626487/revised-protections-for-inland-NSW-wetlands.pdf)

DCCEEW Fact Sheet: Revised protections for inland NSW wetlands - March 2025. A fact sheet to explain changes to draft WSP Prescribed Wetland maps and other wetland protections in inland water sharing plans. Prepared for the period of comment 4 to 23 March 2025.

## Summary

- Proposed rules to protect wetlands in inland unregulated water sharing plans (WSP) have been updated.
- Draft WSP Prescribed Wetlands maps have been revised after listening to the feedback we received during the public exhibition of the plans between November 2024 and January 2025 and we have updated our data sources.
- To accompany the map changes, we are proposing to introduce off-river pool rules to prohibit new works and trades, in areas where they don't currently apply.
- The updated approach is open for a period of comment from 4 to 23 March 2025.
- The final approach will later be applied to existing inland unregulated plans replaced in 2024, intended in the second half of the year.

## The Great Con Is On II ... Preface cont

We are supposed to be dumb enough by now to the point where we should believe [Giselle Howard](#)'s demeaning attempt to cover up this crime of omission and intent to steal property rights by her derogatory “recognition” of valuable community feed-back.

Are we truly to believe that a department can “fast-track” changes to wetland maps so quickly, UNLESS it was packaged and ready to go? Certainly, it is a first in Water Management, as NOTHING gets fast-tracked, unless it is for the benefit of our UNELECTED MASTERS over and above the interests or ordinary landholders and those who pay rates and taxes to keep this bureaucracy in bullets to fire at us!

You may think this is a joke, but it is EXACTLY what has been happening in the “water policy” space since the inception of the Water Act (2007). Numerous “water” agencies have been created so that irrigators and communities can be shuffled back and forth between these agencies and between State and Federal agencies, ensuring that no-one can get a straight answer from any one of these agencies. It is always another agency's responsibility, and so the merry-go-round continues with total disregard for the plight of the communities they are supposed to serve.

Giselle Howard says they have “gone the extra mile” to provide opportunities for residents, farmers, landholders and stakeholders to provide feed-back.

In fact, the consultative process has been dismal, those within 3 km of a RAMSAR site have not been individually advised of the WSP intentions for prescribing wetlands, and those with “wetlands” on the FIRST MAP were not contacted individually, so they were completely unaware, & may still be.

There is NO CONFIDENCE that this is still not the case, NOR that in future, the “original maps” will be re-incorporated, once we have all been worn down, since there is a caveat that they may change at some future date. It is questionable whether, between submissions, “off river pools” have just replaced the “erroneous” mapping: their “wetlands” by another name??

The bureaucracy is not concerned that their actions will de-value property considerably because of their actions. This is the case in the energy space as well, where landholders are having transmission lines and solar set up on or beside them, despite their objections. Again, this benefits global interests over Australian citizens' interests, and it matters nought whether a property's value loses 50% - it's not their superannuation, after all!!

The same shennanigans are at play - websites down, submissions rejected, deliberate confusion with submission dates, improper communication, emails bouncing, rushed agendas to implement goals.

**RAMSAR is simply one of the tools in the UN toolbox used to restrict the use of agricultural water, and part of the continual attack on farmers and food production by the UN and it's "partners" globally.**

## The Great Con Is On II ... *Preface cont*

### **BETWEEN SUBMISSIONS: A FAST-TRACKED DEFINITION CHANGE**

On top of the "off river pools" re-badging coming into question, in between the last submission due 2/2/25, and this, due 23/3/25, there has been a "definition" change. Whereas a "wetland" did not mean "flood-plain" previously, it does now!! This echoes "the environment" not being defined in the Water Act – it can mean anything they want it to!

Wetlands are supposed to have distinct semi-aquatic eco-systems and have some sort of specialised assemblage of plants and/or animals. Flood plains are just that – they only flood in times of high rainfall, and now that these have been included, it opens the flood-gates for the FUTURE inclusion of the FIRST maps – which was, I believe, the original intent.

The Fivebough swamp "wetlands" being RAMSAR rated is very questionable, as it more fits the flood-plain description. Sure, birds assemble and breed when there is water, but as a "wetlands", it is artificial – i.e. "man-made" or manipulated by topping up with "environmental" water feeds to perpetuate it.

There is nothing wrong with this in theory or practice, but for it to DICTATE to us, restricting trade and management as it does via the Water Act, is criminal. We could simply do this without being tied to the global RAMSAR Convention at a local level!!

RAMSAR is simply one of the tools in the UN toolbox used to restrict the use of agricultural water, and part of the continual attack on farmers and food production by the UN and it's "partners" globally.

My second, or Round 2 submission and evidence proves beyond doubt that this is indeed the case. This also needs to be read in the light of:

- Already governments restrict irrigation (i.e. **food security** for the nation) not only by red tape, obfuscation and excessive rules, but by holding large parcels of water in dams meaning farmers are unable to use their full allocation (usually only get 30% of it). **It's a direct attack on water rights.**
- Global corporations are bigger than governments, and can use their water shares to collude & control. They sit at the UN table. **Another attack.**
- Governments control seasonal allocations, and now say **no new works** on your property if you are within 3km of a RAMSAR site, or they consider you have a "wetlands", "flood plain", or "off-river pool". **Property sales** may well be restricted because new owners may not be able to get the same "permits" as current owners, or renew what was there at the time of purchase. Just as chickens and bees are slaughtered, **this is an attack on our food security.**



Brolgas, swans, various water-fowl and cattle on (what used to be normal, seasonal) un-infested by cumbungi-type weed prior to it's encroachment. (May 2019)

Top L: galahs grazing on edge of swamp (June 2022); R: Brolgas in crop near swamp; cumbungi in background.

# The Great Con Is On II: Submission Re Water Sharing Plan (WSP) Prescribed Wetlands

## Living On The Edge of a RAMSAR Listed Wetlands

NSW Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water

Via Email 23/3/2025: [wspconsultation@dpie.nsw.gov.au](mailto:wspconsultation@dpie.nsw.gov.au)

To Whom It May Concern:

**R**eaders and those people employed by the NSW Government or corporation, or the Australian Government or corporation, and those charged with implementing, overseeing and regulating these Water Sharing Plans Prescribed Wetlands, take note: you are almost certainly engaging in an unlawful activity under our Common Law - our Commonwealth of Australia Constitution Act 1900 (Constitution). Please also note that ignorance is not a defence when the day of reckoning comes. People need to be accountable for their actions. The reasoning for this is set out in this document.

This submission is relevant to all NSW Prescribed Wetlands, although I live within a 3km range of the Fivebough Swamp (and nearby Tuckerbil), renamed a "wetlands" since it became listed as a RAMSAR wetland. It's a predominantly dry area of land, previously with seasonal grasses (not cumbungi) for the majority of the year, collecting water in times of heavy rain or when water is drained into it, treated town sewerage water is directed into it, or "environmental" water is dumped in.

The (shallow) swamp, for it's haughty name, used to be (and is) a haven for a plethora of bird-life and frogs, when filled or part-filled. It used NOT to be filled with cumbungi type reeds. In fact, when it was full, or had a few inches of water laying in it, the town lights used to reflect over the water at



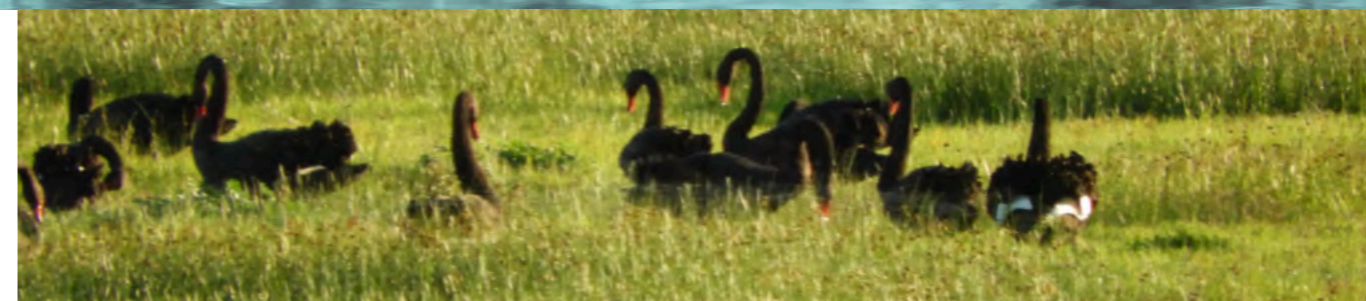


Above: Brolgas fly, Swans graze (April 2022) east of the area where the cumbungi is (near the water treatment works from whence the cumbungi has been allowed to spread). Note high cumbungi-type grasses at back. It is now encroaching across the bulk of the swamp, where it has never been previously, and should be controlled.

Opposite page, bottom L to R: Large mob of brolgas (Apr 2019) grazing with cattle and other water-birds. Foreground what it used to be like; background - high cumbungi reeds.

Centre: May 2020 - Brolgas grazing on cropped area near swamp.

R: Before cumbungi fully encroached (April 2022) - note high cumbungi at back of photo.



night. Now, they do not, because of the cumbungi clogging the swamp. Now, as the cumbungi has not been managed properly, it has been allowed to escape from the small area it used to be at/near the town water treatment works, practically filling the swamp with rubbishy weed.

Nothing has been done by any UN, international, State or local Council (LGA) to arrest the spread of these weeds. Currently, there is (probably) environmental water being put into it, which will further spread the cumbungi - which certainly used to be a noxious weed.

No doubt to cover for the atrocious state of the cumbungi-type weed infesting the swamp, and the total lack of management, we will be told that the cumbungi is a haven for bird and wildlife. However, it is not the case for all the birdlife that used to come, because the cumbungi, or cumbungi-type weed did not exist all over the swamp. Water in the swamp was seasonal, and it was NEVER weedy, except for near the sewerage treatment works. It was a seasonal grassy grazing-type swampy-in-wet area, which gathered water when it rained. A lot of rain meant a lot of run-off and drainage into the swamp. A little rain meant a shallow covering with water, maybe 6" (15cm) worth. In times of much rain, and once after "environmental water" was put in (2012?), followed by rain, it was quite deep, perhaps around 4'-5' (1-1.5m) deep for a good while until it subsided.

RAMSAR certainly hasn't protected it from mis-management by any stretch of the imagination. In fact, we have seen it

degenerate into a mess, and where the black swans, brolgas, pelicans and birdlife used to come each year to graze around and in it, there is too much cumbungi now for them to bother stopping over, it would seem. The swans used to breed, and then graze with the cygnets for a good while. Significant mobs of brolgas would come seasonally and graze at the edges of the water. Bird-hides on the opposite side to the Hooey Road lookout used to be visible, yet are difficult to see now, due to the cumbungi.

The cumbungi may have attracted different flora and fauna, but the larger birdlife that used to come aren't coming in the numbers, and it's visibly obvious because there is none

## "RAMSAR" hasn't protected it from mismanagement

of the land they like at the edge left. The cumbungi used to be restricted to a very small area of the swamp, but now has been allowed to take over, and I have observed that it has restricted its enjoyment by many water-birds, and in particular, the black swans and brolgas. That's not to say there isn't a lot of birdlife around; there is from all accounts, but perhaps more for those who seek refuge in cumbungi. It has not been preserved as it was at the time of listing, but has allowed the infesting cumbungi (and carp!) to overtake much of the swamp. Yet, it is protected under the RAMSAR convention, and no doubt receives funding to go with it.



Holes in water-sharing plan - the Weekly Times 22/1/25



Flood of water plan concerns - The Land 23/1/25



## Leeton Could Flood

The parcel of land virtually in Leeton town between Almond Road and Grevillia St marked as a WSP Prescribed Wetland has now been removed from the map. This demonstrates how ridiculous the mapping was.

## Yanco Ag Would Flood

The Yanco Agricultural High School could still be flooded under this plan, and many, many more areas along the Murrumbidgee River, much of it private landholders land, disrupting their normal access and activities, although many of these areas have been removed. Will they later be re-allocated as "off-river-pools", and again be part of the equation?

"We propose to prohibit trade into those wetlands". What does this mean?

That is, people with a "wetlands" on their property, whether or not is really is a wetlands, and whether or not they are even aware of it at the moment, will have impositions placed upon them, and what does prohibiting trade into those wetlands mean? Ultimately, regardless of what is said now, it could mean farmers can't drive across their wetlands when they're dry; can't carry on grazing activities, or in the case of the phantom wetlands, continue to crop on it as they've been doing for generations. See the newspaper articles opposite for clarification of the mess which is being created.

This will be the case for all of the Prescribed WSP Wetlands, as much of the river country will be swamped with over-bank water planned to water the gum trees that have already survived on their own for a couple of hundred years. Now, suddenly, we need man's intervention to save these trees? They should be left as in nature, so that they CAN survive on their own. These intervention waterings will only serve to upset their natural environment, and make for shallower roots. They will simply drown (as has already happened with "environmental" watering). It is better that they send their root system down into the underground water, and thus survive as nature intended. Further, rivers being used to send flows down have been eroded terribly in the past, and there is much evidence of this, and I have mentioned this in many previous submissions, as have many others.

Introducing off river pools to prohibit new works and trades means over-bank watering could FORCE these pools to form, thus thrusting that land into the unknown.

Of these "WSP Prescribed Wetlands" many will be inundated with water at the whim of bureaucrats. This statement may sound whimsical, but we have seen that happening since the Water Act 2007 was implemented, and all of the State WSPs follow on from that. Rivers have been eroded because of the way water is released, and State and Commonwealth water-holders use their water in the dams

## We propose to Prohibit Trade

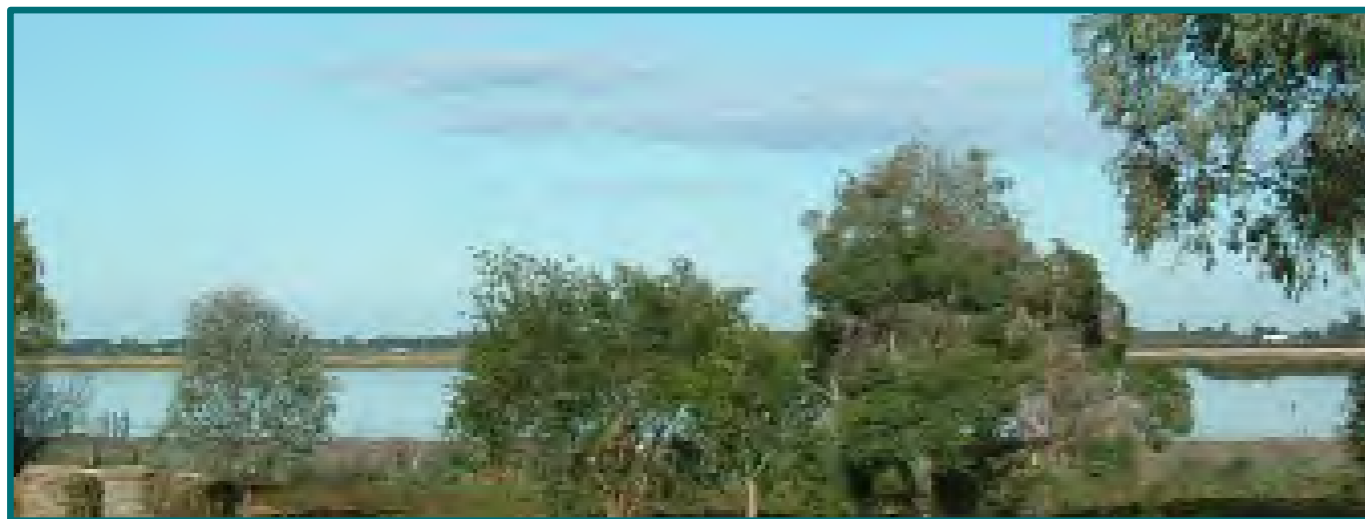
to deprive irrigators of allocations. In other words, "the State" is stealing the productive capacity of it's own economy. Currently, the General Allocation in the Murrumbidgee Irrigation area is just 35%, but the dams are full. Therefore, we can probably expect more of the same treatment, especially if we consent to it.

I have spoken to people with proposed WSP's on their land, and they will be flooded out for months on end. This is concerning because it deprives them of an income or the ability to plan. If this isn't a direct implication of the World Economic Forum's Great Reset dictates for us to "own nothing and be happy", I don't know what is.

## Govt Dictates. Govt Pays??

I've also been advised that the "government" will be paying for pumps to be lifted, their infrastructure to be moved, purchasing paddocks in some cases (because it is going to flood), etc., and if they don't go along with it, or it obstructs their access, it will probably be resumed, or acquired by the government. If they don't go along with it, they will have no recourse in the case of floods blocking access for months on end (ie a 2 week "flooding" may not allow access for 2 months).

There are a LOT of people living along our rivers, and it would seem to me that they are being deprived of their lawful riparian rights to that water. Their lawful ownership is being usurped by a corporation which is NOT a lawful government, and which seeks to over-ride the rights of landowners, and their common-law right to hold and operate their property in a way they see fit, without the socialist UN dictates which have been adopted by traitors in the Australian Government (ie, the corporation, not the Commonwealth of Australia Government as set out in the Commonwealth Constitution Act 1900), to overlord it and tell farmers and others what they can and cannot do.



Swamp in August 2011 - cumbungi on the town side of swamp.



Interesting sky over Fivebough (May 2021). Cumbungi at back has since encroached considerably, but this is the area it used to be restricted to, although on a much smaller scale than the area shown here.

Fivebough and Tuckerbil “wetlands” will potentially be used to dump ‘environmental’ water into, and anyone living within 3 km of it may have to restrict “new and amended works” they do on their property, have “trade prohibited, or cause difficulty with land sales where transfers or renewal of infrastructure aren’t guaranteed, thus devaluing their land (or superannuation).

In fact, that will be the case for ANY proposed WSP Prescribed Wetlands, and I used the Leeton almost-in-town block as an example in the last submission, where flooding would potentially affect a town subdivision. If it’s reintroduced later, this could still be the case. I do not consent to any of this.

All over the State, there were “yellow” WSP Prescribed Wetlands on the [map](#) - marked along rivers, on private land where water may lay after heavy rain, and a lot of other places that lots of people supposedly owning land did not know about. I noted [two articles](#) alerting people to the covert nature of this, and the many mis-marked “wetlands”, or man-made dams which are marked. These “errors” have supposedly been “fixed” with a caveat that they may change later, and with the fast-tracked off river pools potentially taking their place at a later date.

There is still a question as to how a corporation (purporting to be a government) can impinge on the use or management of another person’s land, wilfully devalue it, or deprive landholders of doing what they want on their own land.

I say “corporation”, because our progressive governments in Australia are no longer “governments”, but “corporations”, just like any other corporation, hardware store or hamburger outfit might be. Both the “States” and the “Australian Government” are registered in the USA as corporations, and under corporation law, have no right to raise taxes, or hold what is essentially an “environmental lien” over someone’s land, precluding them from operating freely as they see fit - on what is supposed to be their own land.

## How the Great Con came to be On

The “corporate” States have been complicit in depriving their citizens of their rights, and colluded with the Federal Government (ie, the Australian Government) to do so with the implementation of the (Federal) Water Act 2007.

In this Water Act, Land and Water were separated, quite illegally; i.e. previously, water rights were attached to the land, and this goes right back to the UK law (up until 1900), and Magna Carta, which is THE PRE-EMPTIVE LAW to our own Commonwealth of Australia Constitution Act 1900 (Constitution). That is, our Constitution is an Annexure to the aforementioned law, even going back to Biblical times.

Quite simply, to make a change of this magnitude, and in order to change the proper Commonwealth of Australia Constitution Act 1900, we, the people, MUST have had a REFERENDUM.

No Referendum was ever held, therefore it follows that what the States and Federal Governments did by joining together and implementing the Water Act was illegal, or unlawful, and it was NOT in the interests of the Australian people. In fact, it STOLE from the people, threw Agriculture into disarray, and ruined many farmers, small business people, and those who had jobs which depended on them. Speaking of stealing, the NSW Government even stole water directly from people in the form of “voluntary contributions”, which should have been scrapped when the Water Act came in, but weren’t. The State Government still snatch 5% of high security and 15% of general security water out of the Murrumbidgee Valley each year, which they don’t even need, and arguably, it’s used to deprive irrigators of their water because it’s stored in the dams to jam up the system.

Land & Water  
were  
separated,  
quite illegally,  
in the Water  
Act 2007

## The Foundation for Law in Australia

Rev. [Dr David Mitchell](#), a brilliant, kind and gifted man with two doctorates in law, was possibly the preeminent Australian constitutional expert. In 1960, the Queen appointed him to Botswana, Africa, to assist in handing them their independence. Mitchell died in 2018 at a very old age.

He explained to me that the basis of laws in Australia should be considered in the context of four features (the first three points are the 'bigger thing' that I mentioned above, to which the constitution is appended):

- 1. The various state constitutions** (as of 1900): each state was considered a self-governing colony under Queen Victoria. Victoria, in turn, swore at her coronation (as did Queen Elizabeth II) to uphold the Bible.
- 2. All of British parliamentary law and precedent** (at the time of federation in 1900): this includes the [Magna Carta \(1215\)](#) and the [Bill of Rights \(1688/1689\)](#), among other documents. Contrary to what some suppose, these do transition across from Britain and hold weight in Australia.
- 3. All of British Common Law in 1900:** this includes each decision by courts in Britain aside from the decisions made by parliament.
- 4. What we call our Federal Constitution:** it is important to remember that this is merely an Appendix – the 'deed of arrangement' for the self-governing colonies to amalgamate – and, therefore, **it did not need to cover aspects of legislation and precedent that are already covered by the first three aspects of legal heritage.**

Our parliaments enact laws. These laws should not contradict the legal heritage with which Britain has provided us. Nevertheless, Australian parliaments often make unconstitutional laws. For example, they have legislated that there is no right to self-defence in Australia.

On the contrary, the 1688/89 British Bill of Rights demonstrates that citizens do have the right to self-defence irrespective of the government's decisions (*if I had the vast legal fees necessary, I could take this argument to the High Court and demonstrate my point*).

Even worse, state premiers have been pursuing unconstitutional measures, such as lockdowns, during COVID-19. These contravene the Magna Carta and other documents on many grounds. For example, they deprive a healthy person of the ability to earn a living or to travel unimpeded on the 'King's highways'.

Our British heritage is described well in the great 35-page booklet "*The Case for Fundamental Rights*" written in 1988 by barrister Terry Shulze. Shulze also wrote a summary 14-page article in 2018.

Excerpt from article written by Lex Stewart, Oct 2021 which explains, in plain language, the foundation for law in Australia.

Illogically, that deprives irrigators of a "full allocation", because there's not enough room to store irrigators water - the State and Commonwealth's water takes precedence, and they keep carrying it over! (Community water, such as for towns, is not affected). Then, there's the small issue of not being able to get it down past the Barmah Choke to South Australia fast enough to put out to sea, because that will flood everyone out along the river for a long time, depriving their riparian rights, and their right to earn a living or carry on a business - they can't, their land is under water - and potentially this will force that land to be rezoned as "off river pools". Another lawful "right" we have is to control and hold one's property, lawfully without trespass. The government, that corporation registered in the USA, is trespassing.

One of the points of the WSP Prescribed Wetlands is to take control of that water so they CAN flood everyone out without liability - on the back of an international agreement about birds - RAMSAR.

I do not consent to this, and nor do the people living within cooee of the rivers, because they won't be able to crop or graze. This has already happened and is well-reported, although not heard by governments and their multitude of corporations set up to pass the buck between each other (supposedly to oversee it).

## Understanding Why The Big Water Act Con was UN-Constitutional, therefore NOT Lawful

My earlier comments regarding our lawful history which is "understood", or intrinsically part of our Constitution needs to be understood, because it is NOT being taught in universities to law students any more. I was stunned that this was not understood when I watched the [Vaccine Mandate case](#) online, and was so struck that I even emailed the lawyers about it. I recently read an article discussing this case and whether Australia needs a Bill of Rights. My argument is always that we do NOT, as we ALREADY HAVE ONE based upon the fact it is to be understood in light of historical law. We have all the inalienable rights that America has. See an excerpt explaining this in plain layman's language on the opposite page. Also of interest is an article by now retired barrister Terry Shulze, titled [Review of Australian Law and Its Decline](#).

Malcolm Turnbull, the "author" of the Water Act 2007, was a banker, and worked for Goldman Sachs prior to getting into politics. Goldman Sachs is a global "gobbleopoly" which is in cahoots, or alignment, with the World Bank and it's Global Water Partnerships, World Water Council and the like. It is one of the transnational or global corporations which has been buying up water globally for years. They're dubbed "Water Barons" for their "global water grabbing" around the time of the Water Act (2007) being implemented. Coca-Cola is another of these - people don't realise that it takes 442-618 litres of water to make just one litre of Coke.<sup>1</sup> Water Barons deemed water to be the "new oil" at that time, and I covered it in my Submission and Annexure to the Standing Committee Inquiry into the Augmentation of Water Supply for Rural & Regional NSW<sup>2</sup>.

In an effort to get control of water for globalists, Turnbull always made a point of telling us how badly water had been managed in Australia, and yet one of the foremost global experts in water at the time, Prof. John Briscoe, said we were at the forefront.

<sup>1</sup> The Water Foot Print Network has estimated that it takes 442 liters of water to make one liter of Coca-Cola using cane sugar, and 618 liters of water to make one liter of Coca-Cola product using High Fructose Corn Syrup - as reported in this author's Global Planning & Co-operative Agenda to Control Water, 2016.

<sup>2</sup> August 2016

How can a Corporation dictate use or management of another's land, or deprive others rights of ownership??

## In Summary, the general purposes of the Water Act and the Basin Plan are:

### To give effect to relevant international agreements.

First on the list: (2011) Australian Government Response to the Senate Legal and Constitutional Affairs References Committee Report: *A Balancing Act: provisions of the Water Act 2007*.

(This report has miraculously now been afforded "copyright", so I am unable to put a link; however, I do have a copy).

The REAL purpose of the Water Act & Basin Plan - to steal water from productive uses, such as food security, against the people and the Constitution



The Government asked for Briscoe's input, and were upset when he disagreed with them. Turnbull was scoring political points or points for his water-grabbing "mates". A read of Brisco's submission to the Senate Standing Committee on Legal & Constitutional Affairs 24/2/11 is enlightening reading, and I believe, a very balanced assessment of Turnbull's manoeuvring to get the desired result for his masters, and probably, by trading water, make quite a lot of money for he and his globalist mates to boot.

It should be understood that around that time, Goldman Sachs had people who had "previously" been employed with them, in a multitude of highly influential positions. From memory around that time the Italian PM was ex GS, another PM or Deputy PM somewhere, and they had people in the White House in top positions of influence, and of course, Turnbull became PM in Australia. So Goldman Sachs influence was well established globally, as were other water-grabbing corporates.

Turnbull wanted the green/environmental vote, so had to get around the Constitution, otherwise he had to have a referendum, and if people understood what he was really up to, it would NEVER have passed.

## A great Constitutional Battleground



## Circumventing the Constitution: The Big Steal — How Regional Communities were set up to Fail Economically

Quick & Garran<sup>1</sup>, in 1901 wrote what has since been considered the "Bible" relating to the Australian Constitution. They foresaw the dangers of the newly formed Commonwealth Parliament being vested with the External Affairs Power, s 51 (xxix) of the Australian Constitution. The intent of s 51 (xxix) was mainly put there to give the federal government power in times of war (ie, external affairs). Quick & Garran warned that we needed to be vigilant lest the Commonwealth misuse their external affairs power, saying that this power "may hereafter prove to be a great constitutional battleground".

This warning certainly came to fruition with the Tasmanian Dam Case<sup>2</sup> which was the "watershed" in opening a multitude of avenues for the Commonwealth government to abuse it's power over the States, and the people of Australia.

The Federal Government can ride roughshod over its citizens in favour of a "perceived" environmental outcome because it invoked the External Affairs Power to bring the Water Act [2007]<sup>3</sup> into being. Using the Tasmanian Dam High Court judgment<sup>4</sup> as a precedent, the Federal Government has used, and has shown it certainly intends to further legislate, to enforce Ramsar or any other International instrument alluded to in the Act, to over-ride the States and their citizens who are an intrinsic part of the fabric of regional Australia.

Bearing in mind that the Commonwealth Government itself said something in 2012 which they hadn't previously admitted: In summary, the general purposes of the Water Act and the Basin Plan are: to give effect to relevant international agreements,<sup>5</sup> it's possible to see the Act in the

<sup>1</sup> John Quick & Robert Randolph Garran "The Annotated Constitution of the Australian Commonwealth" (first published 1901, 1995 ed) 631

<sup>2</sup> Koowarta v Bjelke-Peterson (1982), and more particularly Commonwealth v Tasmania (1983)

<sup>3</sup> Water Act 2007 (and subsequent amendments)

<sup>4</sup> Commonwealth Vs Tasmania – (Tasmanian Dam case) - landmark decision by High Court 1/7/1983

<sup>5</sup> Australian Government Response to the Senate Legal & Constitutional Affairs

These excerpts from 2012/14 might help people to realise what sort of international planning is involved, and think about what has happened here in Australia.

*The bold or coloured emphasis is mine.*

## 2 What is the scale and scope of water grabbing?

...Third, **legal and administrative complexity, in particular the ‘fuzziness’ between legal and illegal, formal and informal rights, and the unclear administrative boundaries and jurisdictions that encompass diverse property regimes including commons, customary, informal and private tenure systems.**

This complexity across waterscapes and tenure regimes relates not only to the fluid properties of water but also to the **‘slippery’ nature of the ‘grabbing’**, the **unequal power relations, fraught negotiation processes and messy politics that often transform water into a contested resource.**

This complexity makes it **harder to pinpoint the impacts of water allocation, re-allocation, distribution and quality, both now and in the future, and to identify what and what does not count as a ‘water grab’.**

Appreciating and understanding these complexities is however the first step to coming to terms with the **political economy of water grabbing**. Despite difficulties in quantifying and measuring its scale and scope, it is clear **that water grabbing is happening everywhere in the world, across different political, socio-economic, and ecological contexts, and under many different forms and guises.**

[https://www.tni.org/files/download/the\\_global\\_water\\_grab.pdf](https://www.tni.org/files/download/the_global_water_grab.pdf) [2102; Revised edition 2014]

## 4 Who are the water grabbers?

In nearly all cases, **water grabbing is in one way or another made possible by the state in which the grabbing is taking place.** For a variety of reasons, **many governments and bureaucrats within government agencies have special interests in large investments leading to state organisations creatively reforming, bending or re-interpreting existing rules and regulations that should actually prevent water grabbing from taking place.**

**Beyond the state, a whole array** of different actors, both old and new, are involved in the global water grab. These include **specialised water-targeted investment funds** that seek to profit from the **monetisation of water and its transformation into an economic asset gaining in scarcity value.** It also encompasses a whole host of **transnational corporations, including large private water companies, agribusinesses and the extractive industries.**

Water grabbing also involves all those actors whose **activities and profits depend on the trade in ‘virtual water’.** The **‘virtual water’ concept** is used to measure the amount of water that is ‘embedded’ within the production, processing and trade of commodities. It is estimated for example that 1000 litres of virtual water are required to produce one kilogram of wheat while as much as 15.000 litres of virtual water are used to produce one kilogram of beef in Europe or America with soy imported from developing countries.

**This trade in virtual water is rapidly transforming and transnationalising the waterscapes upon which local lives and livelihoods depend.** It also significantly opens up the debate as to **who the water grabbers are, based on an understanding of the complex linkages between meeting water demand in one region and the creation of water pressure and scarcity in another.**

Renewable water resources in the Gulf States for example are set to run out in the next three decades. As a result, Saudi Arabia, once a net exporter of wheat, intends to phase out domestic production of wheat by 2016 due to the depletion of fresh water reserves in the country.<sup>6</sup> It seeks to compensate for this loss in domestic food production by acquiring farmland abroad, thereby transferring much of the pressure on water resources caused by agricultural production to other countries.

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light in which it was truly intended, abusing the external affairs power and which this author has long argued in various submissions.

The International instruments referred to in the Act are explained thus:

relevant international agreement means the following:

- a. the Ramsar Convention<sup>1</sup>
- b. the Biodiversity Convention<sup>2</sup>
- c. the Desertification Convention<sup>3</sup>
- d. the Bonn Convention<sup>4</sup> (on the Conservation of Migratory Species of Wild Animals - Bonn 23/6/79)
- e. CAMBA<sup>5</sup> (China-Australia Migratory Bird Agreement)
- f. JAMBA<sup>6</sup> (Japan-Australia Migratory Bird Agreement)
- g. ROKAMBA<sup>7</sup> (Republic of Korea–Australia Migratory Bird Agreement)
- h. the Climate Change Convention<sup>8</sup>
- i. **any other international convention to which Australia is a party** and that is:
  - (i) relevant to the use and management of the Basin water resources; and
  - (ii) prescribed by the regulations for the purposes of this paragraph

## Turnbull's Open Cheque-Book — Giving Away YOUR Past & Future Rights

I was the first one in Australia to bring to the general public's attention what the traitors planning, developing and signing this Act always knew — that this means FUTURE, as yet UNSIGNED Conventions — so by being party to this, and invoking the treaties and treaties unknown in the Water Act, we have signed up to an UNKNOWN QUANTITY OF UNKNOWN DURATION AND IMPLICATIONS. We've given the UN and it's elite cabal carte-blanche entré to our water with the stroke of a pen.

**FUTURE, as yet  
UNSIGNED –  
Anything Goes!**

This is SO irresponsible by those in power at the time of signing – and this means BOTH SIDES OF POLITICS! This clearly demonstrates that our law pertaining to water; any agreements we may have reached with the MDBA, State or Commonwealth; or agreements between States and Commonwealth about water rights, allocations, ownership or delivery will be overturned by default, to defer to Conventions or Agreements entered into under International Law.

**W**hat upcoming dangers are there with the Water Sharing Plans? Anything the State does can be “over-ridden” by the Commonwealth - by the use of Tony Burke's “big stick”, which he threatened the States with - so we are in danger losing our Common Law rights with these WSP's.

References Committee Report: A Balancing Act: provisions of the Water Act 2007 - March 2012

<sup>1</sup> The Convention on Wetlands of International Importance especially as Waterfowl Habitat - Ramsar, Iran 2/2/1971)

<sup>2</sup> The Convention on Biological Diversity - Rio de Janeiro 5/6/92

<sup>3</sup> The UN Convention to Combat Desertification in those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, Particularly in Africa - Paris 17/6/94

<sup>4</sup> The Convention on the Conservation of Migratory Species of Wild Animals - Bonn 23/6/79

<sup>5</sup> Agreement b/n Aust Govt & Govt of People's Republic of China for the Protection of Migratory Birds & their Environment - Canberra 20/10/86

<sup>6</sup> Agreement b/n Aust Govt & Govt of Japan for the Protection of Migratory Birds & Birds in Danger of Extinction & their Environment - Tokyo 6/2/81

<sup>7</sup> Agreement b/n Aust Govt & Govt of the Republic of Korea on the Protection of Migratory Birds - Canberra 6/12/2006

<sup>8</sup> The UN Framework Convention on Climate Change - New York 9/5/92



April 2022 - Brolgas graze - low grasses.



May 2021 - Brolgas graze amongst seasonal grasses, not in cumbungi, which has since taken over

## The Danger Of FUTURE Conventions Or Free Trade Agreements

It is quite clear that any **FUTURE** Conventions, Treaties, Agreements or other International Instruments entered into under the External Affairs Power of our Constitution certainly have the potential to change the course of **ANYTHING** which may be decided by any Inquiry or any other seemingly properly instituted policy or law at some time in the future. This means any instruments signed since the inception of the Act, such as Paris (COP21), the Trans Pacific Partnership (TPP) in another form, or any of the COPs<sup>1</sup> up to 2025's COP 30 in Brazil or further forward could be made applicable, if they deemed it so.

It is perfectly clear because the **Balancing Act** report<sup>2</sup> spells it out, although to anyone reading it at face value, it would not be clear that a **FUTURE** Convention could have this effect. As stated above, this really messes with our legal framework, and we've been dragged into being subservient to the United Nations laws, because clearly, they are taking precedence.

According to the same document<sup>3</sup> whilst arguing that the international agreements recognise economic and social factors, they quite clearly state "where a discretionary choice must be made between a number of options the decision-maker should, having considered the economic, social and environmental impacts, choose the option which optimises those outcomes."

So, what if the bureaucracy and government of the day believe they must give precedence to the environment? Obviously, they choose that option.

## Precedence To The Environment — Another Big Con

Let's defer to Prof. Briscoe, for he certainly believed that it WAS given precedence, and having worked for the World Bank, understood it's workings. Whilst holding the position of the Gordon McKay Professor of the Practice of Environmental Engineering at Harvard University and leader of the Harvard Water Program, he was engaged as a member of the High-Level External Review Panel convened by the Murray Darling Basin Commission to review the draft Guide to the Basin Plan. He gave evidence to the above inquiry with several enlightening comments extracted from his submission:<sup>4</sup>

1. "The highly secretive "we will run the numbers and the science behind closed doors and then tell you the result" MDB Basin Plan process was not, in my view, an aberration which can be pinned entirely on the leadership of the MDBA Board and management, but intrinsic to the institutional power concentration that is fundamental to the Water Act 2007."
2. "Because constitutional amendments are not simple, and definitely cannot be done over a weekend before an election, the authors of the Water Act 2007 had to find legal cover for usurping state powers. An alert and enterprising environmental lawyer found the fig-leaf, which was the Ramsar Convention, which the Commonwealth Government had signed, committing itself to protecting wetlands which are critical for migratory birds."

3. "To avoid a constitutional crisis, the Commonwealth had to build the Water Act around this fig-leaf."

<sup>1</sup> UN Climate Change Conference of the Parties - key objective: to fully implement the Paris Climate Change Agreement

<sup>2</sup> Australian Government Response to the Senate Legal & Constitutional Affairs References Committee Report: A Balancing Act: provisions of the Water Act 2007 - March 2012 (4)

<sup>3</sup> Australian Government Response to the Senate Legal & Constitutional Affairs References Committee Report: A Balancing Act: provisions of the Water Act 2007 - March 2012 (4)

<sup>4</sup> Prof. John Briscoe's submission to the Senate Standing Committee on Legal and Constitutional Affairs 24/2/2011 (written & Hansard verbal)



Swans graze and play (May 2020) - note no high cumbungi which has since invaded.

Top of P 27: Bird hide is barely visible now due to cumbungi spread.



So the Act became an environmental act, which was all it really could be, since it was in the name of the Commonwealth's obligations to an obscure international environmental convention that it was taking powers from the states."

4. "And so the fundamentals of the Act were born – **an environmental act in which Canberra would tell states and communities and farmers what to do.**"
5. Briscoe was a member of the High Level External Review Panel for the Murray Darling Basin Plan, which stated in their report: *"The driving value of the Act is that a triple-bottom-line approach (environment, economic, social) is replaced by one in which environment becomes the overriding objective, with the social and economic spheres required to "do the best they can" with whatever is left once environmental needs are addressed."*
6. "This interpretation (above) was also very clearly (and reasonably, in my view) the interpretation taken by the Board and Management of the MDBA in developing the Guide to the Basin Plan. This was transmitted unambiguously to the members of the High-Level Review Panel for the Murray Darling Basin Plan."
7. "In all of my years of public service, often in very sensitive environments, I had never been subject to such an elaborate "confidentiality" process as that embodied in the preparation of the Guide to the Basin Plan. The logical interpretation was that the spirit of the Water Act of 2007 (environment first, science will tell, the Commonwealth government will decide, the people will obey) required such a process. The High-Level Panel told the Chair and CEO of the MDBA that they understood that this was what the Act dictated but that it was the role of senior civil servants **to explain that this would not, and could not, work.** We were given to believe that there as **no appetite** for such a message at higher levels in the government in Canberra."
8. "A corollary of this flawed process (and the ideas incorporated into the Act) was that there was very little recourse in the process to the immense, world-leading knowledge of water management that had developed in Australia during the last 20 years. Time and again I heard from professionals, community leaders, farmers and state politicians who had made Australia the widely-acknowledged world leaders in arid zone water management that they were **excluded from the process.**"
9. "But they also note that this is a **"bribe"** to farmers for the **implicit breach of contract** by the Federal Government."
10. *"My conclusion is stark. I believe that the Water Act of 2007 was founded on a political deception and that that original sin is responsible for most of the detour on which Australian water management now finds itself. I am well aware that unpredictability is an enemy and that there are large*

# Watershed Moment

**The Watershed Moment in Australia**, when something that Quick & Garran warned against at the outset (abuse of the External Affairs power of the Constitution), was rubber-stamped by the High Court, thus paving the way for the UN/globalist cabal to rule our nation from without, totally unelected! In retrospect, it is interesting to read what two of the judges said could happen if this was allowed. Sadly, it has come to pass, and power has absolutely passed from the States, to the Commonwealth, and by default, to the UN via our being a signatory to the many and various UN agreements, which are never the flowery-sounding documents they purport to be. Instead, we are seeing the “double-speak” of everything meaning the opposite: i.e. Ministry of Truth is the Ministry of Lies/Disinformation.

## Dissenting Judges on the Tasmanian Dam Case, 1/7/83

**Justice Gibbs:** *“There would be no field of power which the Commonwealth could not invade, and the federal balance achieved by the Constitution could be entirely destroyed.”*

**Judge Wilson:** *It is no exaggeration to say that what is emerging is a sophisticated network of international arrangements directed to the personal, economic, social and cultural development of all human beings. The effect of investing the Parliament with power through section 51 (xxix) in all these areas would be transfer to the Commonwealth of virtually unlimited power in almost every conceivable aspect of life in Australia, including health and hospitals, the work place, law and order, education and recreational and cultural activity to mention but a few ...”*

Watershed Moment: Warnings of dissenting judges on the Tasmanian Dam Case

*environmental, social and economic costs of uncertainty. But I also believe that Australia cannot find its way in water management if this Act is the guide. I would urge the Government to start again, to re-define principles, to engage all who have a stake in this vital issue, and to produce, as rapidly as possible, a new Act which can serve Australia for generations to come. And which can put Australia back in a world leadership position in modern water management.”*

11. “I think if you see the Ramsar convention is an environmental convention, and its focus is appropriately on **environmental outcomes** ....”
12. “But I have never seen another country take it as the convention itself dictates what sorts of balances you are to strike between environmental and human uses.”
13. “So this would be a very unusual interpretation of the convention — so unusual that I do not know of another country which has taken that very literal interpretation of the Ramsar convention.”<sup>4</sup>
14. “...to me this is indeed very, very unusual and a **very unusual, if you will, aggregation of the authority of a government to make value judgments and then to make trade-offs. Science in this particular case happens to be very imperfect and very rudimentary.** But if the science were certain, this would essentially take away from a parliament and a government what has always seemed to me to be the ultimate responsibility of elected officials to make trade-offs. So this is very peculiar.”

**P**rof. Briscoe’s comments above are from someone who worked for many years with the World Bank, worked in the realm of UN INTERNATIONAL LAW and understood the implications. The evidence is very strong for the science being flawed, but also, that directions he was given by the MDBA was they they HAD to interpret the law ONLY in environmental terms, with anything else (eg social or economic), being secondary. WE cannot guarantee that, even though they’ve declared a “triple bottom line” will be pursued, at the end of the day, there is every reason that they can use their default position, particularly in the International Court.

## S 100 - Another Fig Leaf Required

The fig leaf which Briscoe mentioned they found to cover their sins - and High Treason - isn’t the only one they required.

Remember that the Australian Government (corporation) itself told us that “the general purposes of the Water Act and the Basin Plan are to give effect to relevant international agreements”?

They clearly missed S 100 of the Constitution.

**A**ustralian governments of all kinds (State, National or ALP, Liberal) have conveniently ignored, or conspired to ignore, Section 100 of the Constitution, which clearly makes provision for the States, AND THEIR RESIDENTS to control their water to the exclusion of the Federal government:

**100. Nor abridge right to use water<sup>1</sup>**

**The Commonwealth shall not, by any law or regulation of trade or commerce, abridge the right of a State or of the residents therein to the reasonable use of the waters of rivers for conservation or irrigation.**

<sup>1</sup> S 100 – Constitution - Commonwealth of Australia



The meaning of  
“Conservation” in  
the INTENT is “to  
extract water  
from the system  
and conserve it  
for further use”.

Index to the “Constitution of The Commonwealth of Australia” - for a Commonwealth law to be valid must comply ..... with the intent of the framers of the Constitution.

Conservation in the INTENT is to extract water from the system and conserve it for further use”. It is NOT to send out to sea at the mouth

In the Index to the “Constitution of The Commonwealth of Australia”, S5, Pg 353, Note 33 states: and all Laws, for a Commonwealth Law to be valid it has to comply with this section including the intent of the framers of the Constitution.

S 100, Page 819, Note 421 page 893 “For Conservation or Irrigation”. Conservation in the INTENT is “to extract water from the system and conserve it for further use”.

Their *Original Sin* was omitting to abide by S 100 of the Constitution; they went onto cover it up using what was described by Briscoe as an *an obscure international environmental convention* (RAMSAR), and have continued in their sinning, treasonous ways ever since..

## We WERE Warned

Obviously there has been, and is extensive, careful, targetted, well-funded, long-term and prolific planning from bodies OUTSIDE of Australia in relation to WATER resources and other utilities or services IN Australia.

Such planning impacts on our law, because the Commonwealth government has used the External Affairs power of the Constitution [S 51 (xxix)] to get around what would normally not be able to be circumvented without a REFERENDUM, if the Constitution had been upheld as it was originally intended. Quick & Garran<sup>1</sup> warned long ago that we needed to beware that this power was NOT abused, saying it “may hereafter prove to be a great constitutional battle-ground<sup>2</sup>”; yet, we have not been vigilant enough: we have had the High Court rule that it is lawful particularly in the Tasmanian Dam<sup>3</sup> Case - the watershed for opening up our nation to outside interference in what should be State and National issues.

In the Tasmanian Dam Case<sup>3</sup>, two dissenting High Court Judges, Wilson J and Gibbs CJ warned of the dire implications, both of which, in hindsight, can now be seen quite clearly. The decision was arrived at by a four-three majority (Mason, Murphy, Brennan and Deane JJ; Gibbs CJ, Wilson and Dawson JJ dissenting).

In foreshadowing this abuse of the External Affairs Power<sup>4</sup>, dissenting judges Wilson J & Gibbs CJ warned:

a. Judge Wilson said: “ ... It is no exaggeration to say that what is emerging is a sophisticated network of international arrangements directed to the personal, economic, social and cultural development of all human beings. The effect of investing the Parliament with power through section 51 (xxix) in all these areas would be transfer to the Commonwealth of virtually unlimited power in almost every conceivable aspect of life in Australia, including health and hospitals, the work place, law and order, education and recreational and cultural activity to mention but a few ...”

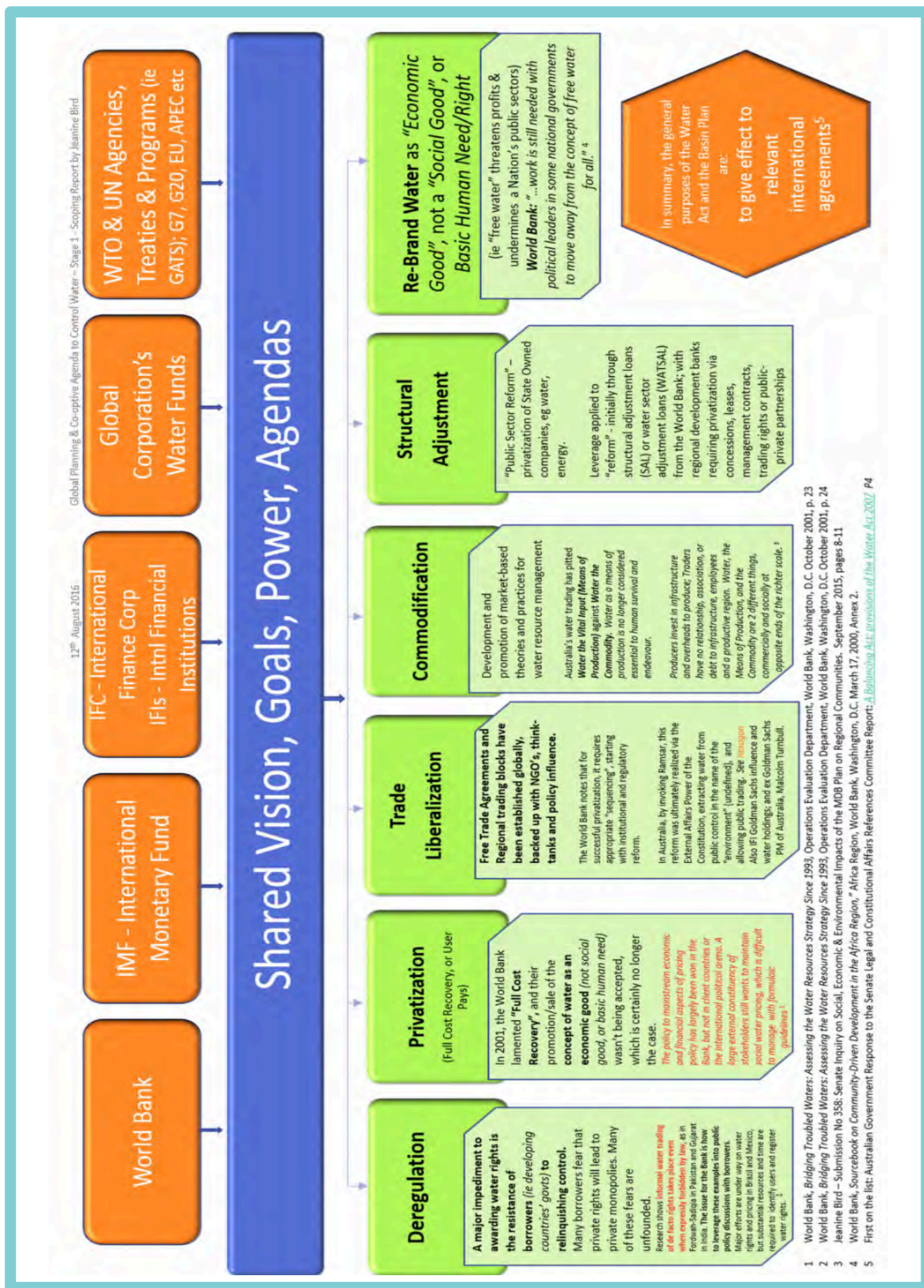
b. Justice Gibbs said, speaking of the same thing: “.... There would be no field of power which the Commonwealth could not invade, and the federal balance achieved by the Constitution could be entirely destroyed ...”

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<sup>3</sup> Commonwealth Vs Tasmania – landmark decision by High Court 1/7/1983

<sup>4</sup> S 51 (xxix) – Constitution - Commonwealth of Australia



Yet, Justice Lionel Murphy was concerned that the external affairs power would be insufficient to implement some treaties, and that: "... Australia would be an International cripple unable to participate fully in the emerging world order ..."

Australia is committed to World Government because we signed the New International Economic Order,<sup>1</sup> a fact of which Lionel Murphy was well aware.

With the World Economic Forum proudly telling us that "*we will own nothing and be happy*", we are well on the way with the WSP Prescribed Wetlands because our traitorous politicians, bureaucrats, States and interested parties conspired to steal our water rights, contrary to the Constitution. They have stolen our livelihoods (many have had to leave, selling up), some have suicided over the effects of the Water Act; many have lost jobs or equity in their homes; many small businesses serving the farming regions have closed because of the effects of the Water Act.

NOW, by default, the State is out to steal, if not our property, certainly our property rights. They will use their legal, NOT LAWFUL courts, to constrain private property owners use of their own land, to prohibit new or amended works, and to prohibit trade into those wetlands.

## Hijacked Legal System

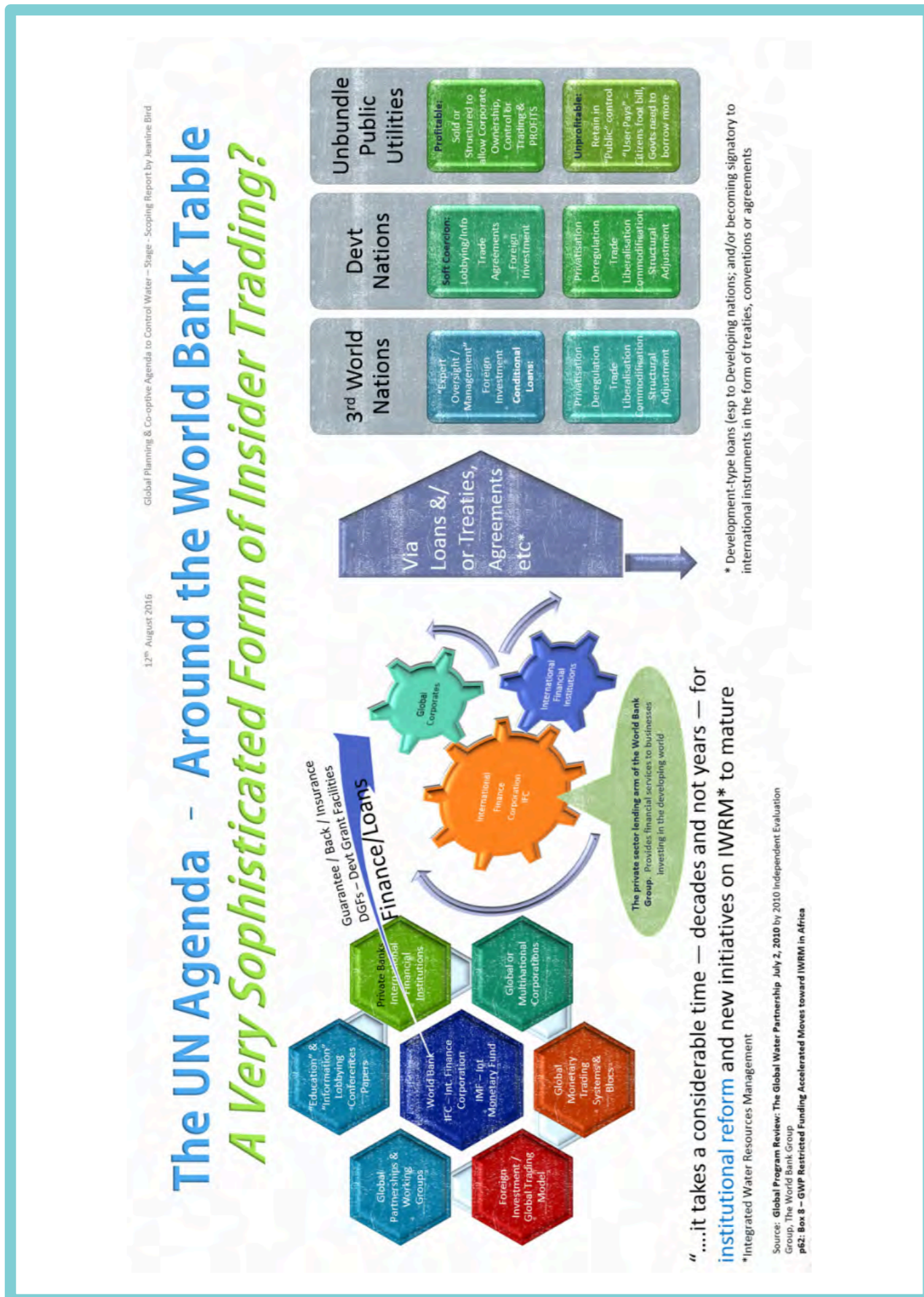
Our universities are increasingly funded by globalist organisations and "deep state players" pushing funds via seemingly legitimate "fronts" and NGO's which dish out "grants". To date eight Australian universities have had US Government/NGO funding pulled from them because they cannot answer that they are not pushing woke ideology and allowing woke, communist or ideological influence to be pedalled through their institutions. They are those pushing the UN agendas, such as Agenda 21, and now Agenda 30, and along with that comes the infringement of our Common Law by muddying the waters with UN Codified Law. These are two different systems of law, and yet, it has crept into our law courts to the extent that the UN Codified Law is now viewed as superior to our Common Law. Certainly, it has a global spider's web of interlocking and related agreements spun into each other's programs and organisations. Law students are not being taught that our Constitution is an Annexure to Magna Carta and British Law.

Instead, we are shanghaied into the UN legal system, and by following the same yellow brick road, we are being tied up in international contracts, treaties, conventions and other instruments which ensure that "We, the People of Australia", are hog-tied – not the least because we can't find lawyers who understand, or have what it takes to swim upstream.

## World Bank & The UN/Globalist Tentacles

As it pertains to water, the World Bank has set up many different bodies dealing with water – in fact, it's a sophisticated form of Insider Trading across the globe by the UN, World Bank and big corporate partners. Under the World Bank we have the UNDP World Bank Water & Sanitation Program, the World Water Council, the Global Water Partnership, which split in 1992 to become the Water Partnership Network and the Global Water Partnership Organisation. It's role was to create Regional, Country and Area Water Partnerships, with associated programs in Water Resource Management. Then GATT became GATS in 1995 moving under the World Trade Organisation and went onto bigger and better dictatorships with Agenda 21 (Earth Summit, Rio '92), Climate Change Conventions and

<sup>1</sup> A United Nations Agreement under UNCTAD [UN Conference on Trade & Development] *Declaration for the Establishment of a New International Economic Order*, adopted by the United Nations General Assembly [1974] and subsequent Programme of Action and Charter of Economic Rights & Duties of States [1974].



Treaties, Paris, Agenda 2030 etc etc. It's a Global plan to control water for the UN elites and Corporate Gobbleopoly mates.

Alongside that in a parallel pincer action, huge Wall Street Megabanks like Goldman Sachs, JP Morgan Chase, Citigroup, Deutsche Bank, Credit Suisse, Macquarie and Barclays Bank, Blackstone Group, Allianz, HSBC and Merrill Lynch, along with other financial groups and investment companies, wealthy tycoons, such as the Bush family, and power corporates are all investing in (or raiding) Water, which they called the new oil or gold. Ownership of these groups trace back to 2-3 players.

Along with this went a lot of blackmailing of countries to give up their utilities, or especially the profitable sectors of them, under the **UN-promoted deregulation, privatisation, trade liberalization, and Commodification of utilities and water**. And then, after the damage is done, that lovely term “Structural Adjustment”. (We've seen that in Australia where farmers and businesses were “structurally adjusted” out of business with high bank interest post de-regulation and being party to the Lima Declaration).

The IMF along with the IFC – International Finance Corporation – the private sector lending arm of the World Bank Group, underwrote development-type loans to developing nations, forced them to “unbundle” public utilities or coerced nations into becoming signatories to international instruments. Just a sophisticated Insider Trading racket by global corporate raiders, but our water, roads, power and other infrastructure like communications all got caught up in it, to the detriment of the people of Australia, the real owners.

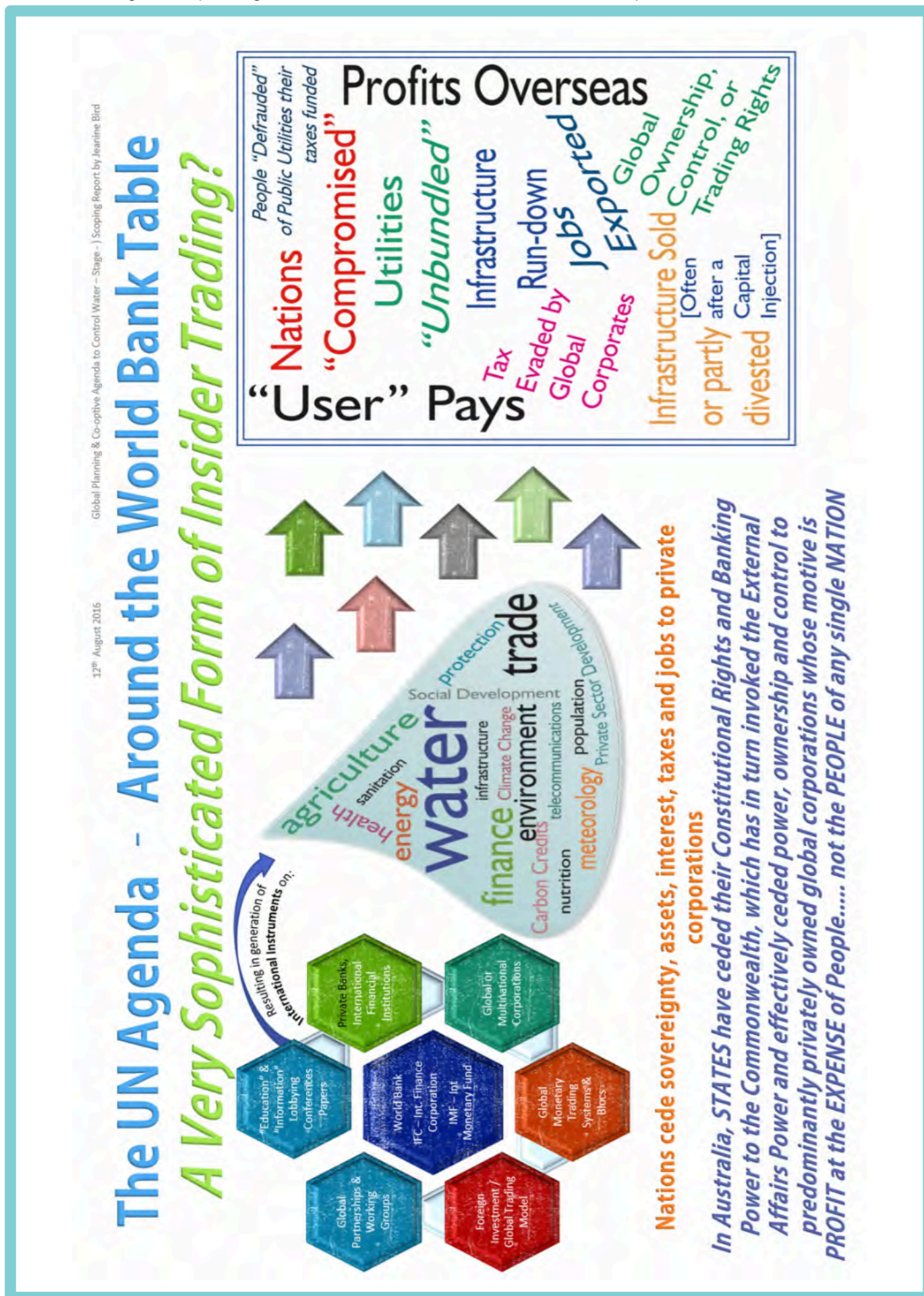
## The UN has Dictated Water & Trade Policy to Nations

The UN has dictated water (and trade) policy to the Nation and States, via conferences, information, data, and “advice” along the lines of “world's best practice”. The **Smart Cities** they want you to move to after you're bankrupted or cleaned out are well in hand; the **Sustainable Development Goals** which National, State and local government are signed up to, that are pushed through governance, law, education, health and every other aspect of our lives already affect us, and have impacted us greatly in recent years. Our bureaucrats and politicians fell for this, and this type of “planning for the future” is not something which has been, or is going to be, beneficial to our State and Nation.

## WSP — A Land Grab Of Massive Proportions

The Water Sharing Plan Prescribed Wetlands is just another part of this erosion of our assets and freedoms. Those with RAMSAR wetlands will be much worse off, and further down the path than the Prescribed Wetlands (yellow areas), which once designated, will be well on their way to the next step, locking it all up as RAMSAR wetlands.

It all amounts to a land grab of massive proportions; a land grab that just like the Water Act 2007, people will not realise the awful significance of it until it happens in their own back yard. It will be after all the fake “consultations”, and by then legislation to muddy the waters even more, and just to cap it off, refer to ever more migratory bird or environmental agreements for good measure.



## Murky, Muddy Waters Run Deep

Muddy waters do indeed run deep, and we are being tricked and thrust into the muddiest of waters to drown, before we're herded off to their upcoming Smart Cities, where the World Economic Forum (WEF) boasted "as of May 2022, there will be Smart City Governance initiatives in 36 countries world wide".

They boast we will all be within 15 minutes of anywhere we want to go; travel restrictions will be put on regarding how often you can go outside that boundary. Think this is funny? It happened during Covid, and most people accepted it. That was the trial-run. You will be denied holidays and weekend breaks outside of the 15 minute zones. You won't be able to choose your child's school, or your doctor.

With the Central Bank Digital Currency (CBDC) being introduced (yes, our own Reserve Bank is looking to use it), and your Digital ID, all your daily activities will be tracked (most already are), along with your carbon footprint. If you aren't a good little vegemite, then you will be denied access to shopping, entertainment and your money, because it's a CBDC.

All our local councils have already agreed to bring in the Smart Cities agenda. How much of our LGA rate money is being spent on what is a UN agenda, made by people OUTSIDE Australia, who are UNELECTED?

How much do our LGAs spend on upkeep of RAMSAR sites, and hitherto Prescribed WSP areas?

Our Land Titles have been digitised too, and are not worth the paper they were once written on. Your paper title is of no use in proving you own land.

## Murkier, Muddier Waters Run Deeper

PM Albanese is on record as saying there will be a treaty, which will give the UN almost complete control. With the CBDC's, or Central Bank Digital Currencies, your purchasing power may disappear when they decide to wipe your credit clean, because they are getting rid of CASH at your local bank now. Again, this is driven by the UN. Most people are aware of the World Economic Forum (WEF), and it's Chair Klaus Schwab<sup>1</sup> along with his awful offsider, Dr Yuval Noah Harari<sup>2</sup> who say that we (plebs!) will own nothing, and be happy.

They are after our water, and since we've been told by our government that the **general purpose of the Water Act was to give effect to international agreements**, we can take it as gospel when at the WEF's Davos forum on the "economics of water" in 2022, Prof Mariana Mazzucato lamented that they'd failed to deliver in controlling humanity. "Did we actually manage to vaccinate everyone in the world? No." "Climate change" is "too abstract" So COVID and Climate Change had failed to bring in their Great Reset<sup>3</sup>, implementing World Government<sup>4</sup>, but now, we will have a water crisis that will be the catalyst to impose it upon we "deplorables", as Hillary Clinton called us, or the "useless eaters" as the WEF calls us.

<sup>1</sup> Klaus Schwab - founder of The World Economic Forum and author of "COVID-19: The Great Reset" and "The Great Narrative."

<sup>2</sup> Adviser to Klaus Schwab, outspoken proponent of transhumanism / "Great Reset Agenda". Endorsed by Obama, an Israeli public thought leader & professor in Dept of History at Hebrew University of Jerusalem.

<sup>3</sup> Also known as: COVID-19, The Great Reset, The Fourth Industrial Revolution, Transhumanism, and the One-World Government agenda, Event 201, Agenda 2021, Agenda 2030.

<sup>4</sup> Or under the UN, the New World Order (NWO), Great Reset etc, previously known as the New International Economic Order (NIEO)



Before cumbungi fully encroached (April 2022) - note high cumbungi at back of photo.

## A Day Of Reckoning Will Come

The tide is turning globally, with Covid waking many people up to what is happening globally with the UN and their elite cabal mates (particularly of the financial and pharmaceutical ilk) imposing their control over people in countries where they are **unelected**. Yet they have developed mechanisms to control countries from without through this **UN driven global network**.

**P**resident Donald Trump is pulling the USA out of the Paris Agreement - again - and Italy and at least one or two other countries are doing likewise, at the time of writing this. The World Health Organisation (WHO) lied to us during Covid, and this is well known. **Excess deaths sky-rocketed and people know why.** Just as the day of reckoning is coming for Anthony Fauci (the self-appointed “everybody’s doctor” during Covid), it will come to expose how our Common Law has been denied us, and governments, politicians and bureaucrats have conspired to steal our inalienable rights by hoodwinking everyone into believing their lies.

In the WSP instance, climate/environmental/wildlife/Net Zero excuses are used. However, we as the Australian nation, should be perfectly capable of making our own laws, and should pull out of all UN agreements forthwith, as well as ensure that we return to our lawful Constitution. Furthermore, we can issue our own money, **AS WE ONCE DID IN AUSTRALIA VIA OUR COMMONWEALTH BANK**, and then we have no need for taxes (Trump is taking the USA in this direction), and no need to borrow from what is a PRIVATE Western Central Bank. We should not be paying interest to them to do what we once did for ourselves.

Likewise, with our wetlands, **we do not need the UN to superimpose it’s laws**, and we can allow people their steeped-in-history Magna Carta rights to own and use their property, lawfully and without trespass.

## The Great Con Needs To Stop, & It Can Start Now

YOU people who are employed to implement this stand warned. You now know that you are employed by not a real Government, but a CORPORATION registered in the USA, purporting to be “the” NSW Government. You know the same is true for the “Australian Government”. You know the State and Australian governments conspired to take away our rights, and are currently conspiring to steal our property by stealth or UN instruments. You know stealing another man’s property and his right to freedom, health and the pursuit of happiness is a crime. Ultimately, there will be accountability.

**I**f you are leaders in some capacity, or employed by the NSW Government or corporation, or the Australian Government or corporation, or are charged with implementing, overseeing and regulating these Water Sharing Plans Prescribed Wetlands, **take note:** you are almost certainly engaging in an unlawful activity under our Common Law - our Commonwealth of Australia Constitution Act 1900 (Constitution). People will be held accountable, possibly in the not too distant future. Please ensure that you are not implicated. I do NOT consent to this.

Please also note that ignorance is not a defence when the day of reckoning comes. With the USA’s current trajectory, the day of reckoning may be closer than people think. Therefore, think carefully before “just doing your job”, and please, do a bit of research instead.

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# Murray-Darling Basin Plan

***Senate inquiry on the social,  
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# Senate inquiry on the Social, Economic and Environmental impacts of the Murray-Darling Basin Plan on Regional Communities

## TERMS OF REFERENCE

- 1) That a select committee, to be known as the Select Committee on the Murray-Darling Basin Plan be established to inquire into and report, on or before 26 February 2016, on the positive and negative impacts of the Murray-Darling Basin Plan and associated Commonwealth programs on regional communities, with particular reference to:
  - (a) the implementation of the plan, including:
    - i its progress,
    - ii its costs, especially those related to further implementation,
    - iii its direct and indirect effects on agricultural industries, local businesses and community wellbeing, and
    - iv any evidence of environmental changes to date;
  - (b) the effectiveness and appropriateness of the plan's Constraints Management Strategy, including:
    - i the progress of identifying constraints and options to mitigate the identified risks, and
    - ii environmental water flows and river channel capacity;
  - (c) the management of the Coorong, Lower Lakes and Murray mouth, including the environmental impact of the locks, weirs and barrages of the Murray River; and
  - (d) any related matter

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To Whom it May Concern:

It is with trepidation that I once again put pen to paper with yet another submission regarding the MDB Plan, and yet, this time, it is with more hope of achieving a genuinely positive outcome for regional communities, the Australian economy, and the environment. The *Environment*, which delivers us the best produce in the world because we have the best, most innovative, and most efficient farmers supporting globally competitive businesses in our region, who create industry, employment, and, despite the negative spin of those who must, actually support the Australian economy year in, year out with an export income that props the rest of the economy up whether or not there is a drought. Sadly though, it should be recognised that when there is a drought, the economy still benefits, but farmers and regional business take the reduction in equity through carrying increased debt levels. Thus, they are, in effect, subsidising the nation by default.

At the outset, I wish to thank Senator John Madigan in particular, who *listened*; and numerous others who have worked extremely hard in many capacities to bring this very important inquiry about.

## Direct & Indirect Effects, & “Related Matters”

In this submission, I intend to concentrate on the direct and indirect effects on agricultural industries, local businesses and community wellbeing, and some related matters, in particular, my concerns regarding the danger of implementing environmental policies via the External Affairs Power of the Commonwealth Constitution, the references to international instruments, and the danger entering any future agreements might present to the Nation due to the way it's referenced.

I also intend to broaden my brush to:

1. Illustrate the economic ravage that the greed-induced decision to separate land and water has brought about by effectively converting water from a *means of production* to a *commodity* to be traded; and
2. Similarly, look at the elephant in the room, our floating currency, which farmers, producers and exporters are using as a *means of exchange*, yet *competing with* traders using \$AUD, *the Commodity*.
3. In both instances, the *means* compete with the *commodity* IF you are the primary producer or manufacturer.

I wish to draw attention to the absurdity of the two issues, and the effect they are both having on actual production. More specifically those who physically produce something tangible, whereby real wealth is transferred to traders and middle-men who take very little risk, are by no means subject to the vagaries of the weather, and get in and out in an

instant, as opposed to producers and manufacturers who have invested heavily in infrastructure and overheads to actually produce.

In April 2012, in my submission to the MDBA, I wrote the following, (quoted below) which is still highly relevant, as it outlines the socio-economic fallout caused by the MDBA's handling of the transition, and the policy direction that the MDBA saw as the direction to take. I have considerable experience in understanding the impact of debt on regional communities, having worked extensively all over Australia with rural and regional people, developing strategies for farmers and small business to survive oppressive bank and government policies which put them in a position of losing equity, whilst fighting drought, high interest, and low commodity prices.

### Quote:

Since the last round of submissions to the MDBA, we have seen the economy of the MIA decimated, and people's equity in their homes, family farms, and businesses eroded. Banks are foreclosing, or pressuring people to sell under threat of foreclosure. *Uncertainty* out of *Mismanagement* sired by *False Scientific Premise* has not been a successful *Black Caviar* story - rather, it's bred a *Black History* leading up to this, the *100th year of Irrigation* in this area. In *The Year of the Farmer*, farmers have been shown that they are impacted by GROF policy, implemented without any understanding or consideration of the impact by government, and supported by banks. GROF stands for *Get Rid Of Farmers*, and that is exactly what has happened.

Good farmers, who have been good managers, have been victims of this GROF policy. All that they have worked for, and, in many cases, their families before them; all their investment - financial, physical, and social, has been eroded in one foul swoop - with the release of the MDBA's Proposed Plan and all it's accompanying uncertainty.

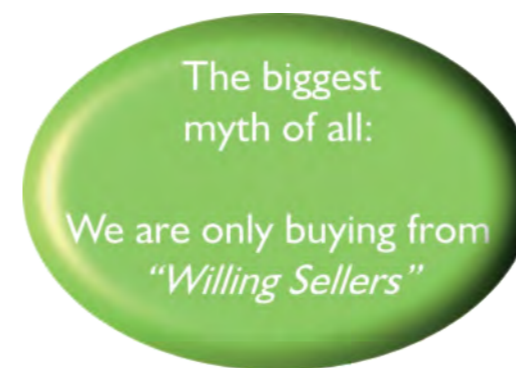
### Regional Dependence on Farming Sector

This area is ultimately totally dependent on the success of the farming sector, and this area was set up specifically for irrigation. One of the wonders of Australian ingenuity, capable of producing food exceptionally efficiently [despite misinformed media to the contrary] in its 100<sup>th</sup> year, is being decimated at a time when food security is most valued globally.

The follow-on effects of the erosion of farm equity through immoral mismanagement from the time the *Water Act* was changed, has impacted this community in the same way farmers have been impacted. On top of 10 years of drought, and little or no water [*or paying a high price for what water was available*], farmers have struggled. But, their biggest struggle has been dealing with the fallout in light of the release of the MDB Plan.

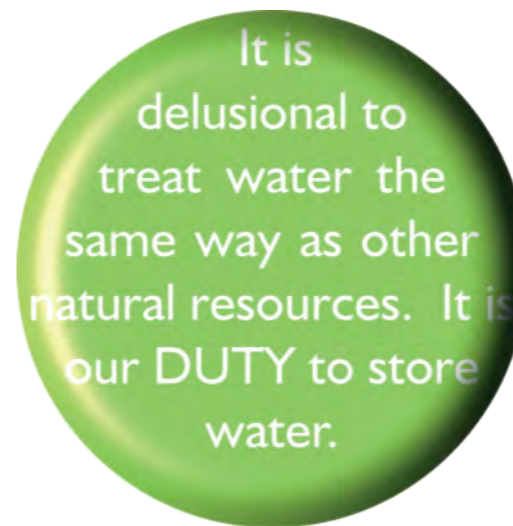
The uncertainty has meant they are not being supported by their banks, yet they have had rain, which in normal years, would mean a good income, and the ability to pay debt.

The erosion of equity, due to the uncertainty, means interest can't be paid, the value of farms decreases, and banks foreclose or force sales under threat of foreclosure.



The flow-on effects to business and home-owners has seen Griffith and other towns in the Murrumbidgee Irrigation Area (MIA) practically decimated. People's equity in their homes has dropped, they are in many cases, unable to sell — if they lose their jobs, and need to relocate, they have lost everything; all they have worked for to build equity in their homes — lost overnight, because of the uncertainty created with the Basin Plan's release and subsequent mismanagement.

Businesses are affected in the same way - trying to walk the line — depending on farmers for cash-flow in the town — trying to keep servicing their customers; trying hard not to put valued employees off — yet seeing their equity eroded in a similar way, and often, with the reduced equity in their homes, they can't support their business debt when the bank "revalues", and withdraws support.



Robbing a bank is a criminal act. Yet when banks rob their customers, it's with the full support of government policy, which is implicit in destroying equity, self-esteem, business resilience *and families*, particularly in soul-destroying cases when dad suicides because he feels he's failed his family.

The biggest myth of all is the Government and MDBA line that they are "*only buying (water) from willing sellers*". Their "*willing sellers*" in most cases, are only "*willing*" because the banks have forced them to sell due to their equity being eroded by the actions of the MDBA, and a grab by the banks for security over water.

## No Business Can Budget for the Uncertainty & Flow-on Effects

This is an insulting, offensive attack on resilient communities in the whole MIA, who just want to do what they do well, do it honestly, contribute to their respective communities, make an income, be inventive, employ people to help in industry, and do it without interference from those who have nothing to contribute, and without the goal-posts being moved on a regular basis. No business can budget for the uncertainty and flow-on effects of the sort we have seen caused by the MDBA's handling of this most important issue.

It is also a fallacy, and delusional of governments and vested interests to treat water the same way as other natural resources, such as forests, national parks and wetlands. Water is vital to human life, and dams and irrigation systems were purpose-built as community resources for human life and endeavour. We ought to store water; in fact, it is our DUTY to do so, to provide for our future generations, and ensure we can feed people - or, put another way, as a matter of national security .... i.e., *food security*.

We have just had two years of excessive rainfall and run-off water, which should have been harvested. For the money spent on the *Plan* to date in all its forms, ADDED with the equity eroded as a result across the whole MD Basin, we could have built a new dam, or several dams.

On the issue of the as-yet undefined "*Environment*", we need to be aware that the International Agreements Australia is party to, such as RAMSAR and others, are dictating the term *Environment*, without reference to any socio-economic concerns.

[End Quote:]



**In fact, there is not, nor was there ever, any need for the MDBA to take into consideration ANY *Social or Economic impact* on ANY communities serviced by the Murray Darling System - *because* we are a party to several International Agreements either referenced in the Act, or otherwise, which have dictated terms. Indeed, perhaps most concerning, International Instruments *yet to be signed or even thought of, need to be taken into consideration!!!***



## Why there was NEVER a Requirement to Consider Social or Economic Impacts on Communities

- 1) This fact was **known fully** by all parties, including, but not limited to Malcolm Turnbull, the Liberal Party and the Labour Party, and quite obviously, by those who were instrumental in drawing up the documentation.
- 2) This fact was also known, and “*legally*” and “*properly*” adhered to by the Murray Darling Basin Authority (MDBA) in formulating the proposed Plan, *within the bounds of the Water Act 2007*.
- 3) The reason it was unnecessary to consider Socio-Economic impacts is due to the fact that the Water Act 2007<sup>1</sup> (the Act), is subject to certain International Conventions, Treaties, Declarations and Agreements on various environmental issues.
- 4) The Federal Government is able to OVER-RIDE any States concerns, and indeed, any INDIVIDUAL CITIZENS concerns (*including any Social or Economic impact the destruction of productive areas may have*) **because** Australia is party to these International Agreements, entered into via the External Affairs Power<sup>2</sup> of the Constitution.
- 5) This was actually confirmed by Tony Burke when when he threatened the States that he had the power to over-ride them if they didn’t sign off on the Plan. (C. Sept 2012)
- 6) The Federal Government can ride roughshod over its citizens in favour of a “perceived” environmental outcome because it invoked the External Affairs Power<sup>3</sup> to bring the Act into being. Using the **Tasmanian Dam High Court judgment**<sup>4</sup> as a precedent, the Federal Government has

<sup>1</sup> Water Act 2007 (and subsequent amendments)

<sup>2</sup> S 51 (xxix) – Constitution - Commonwealth of Australia

<sup>3</sup> S 51 (xxix) – Constitution - Commonwealth of Australia

<sup>4</sup> Commonwealth Vs Tasmania – landmark decision by High Court 1/7/1983

used, and has shown it certainly intends to further legislate, to **enforce Ramsar**<sup>1</sup> or any other International instrument alluded to in the Act over-ride the States, and their citizens who are an intrinsic part of the fabric of regional Australia.

- 7) The International instruments referred to in the Act are:
- a. the Ramsar Convention<sup>2</sup>
  - b. the Biodiversity Convention<sup>3</sup>
  - c. the Desertification Convention<sup>4</sup>
  - d. the Bonn Convention<sup>5</sup>
  - e. CAMBA<sup>6</sup> (China-Australia Migratory Bird Agreement)
  - f. JAMBA<sup>7</sup> (Japan-Australia Migratory Bird Agreement)
  - g. ROKAMBA<sup>8</sup> (Republic of Korea–Australia Migratory Bird Agreement)
  - h. the Climate Change Convention<sup>9</sup>
  - i. any other international convention to which Australia is a party and that is:
    - i. relevant to the use and management of the Basin water resources; and
    - ii. prescribed by the regulations for the purposes of this paragraph



Environmental Considerations Vs Debt, Loss of Equity, Jobs, Businesses, Homes, Farms, Health, Lives and Community

Legally therefore, the MDBA only had to take into account the “*environmental*” considerations, and was by no means bound to consider socio-economic ramifications, which of course, they did not. Nor apparently, did anyone overseeing the Act foresee what anyone else who lived, breathed and worked in highly productive irrigation areas could see as plain as the noses on their faces. Hence the incredible damage caused to thousands of people and businesses in terms of increased debt, loss of equity, severe health and mental health issues, suicides, bankruptcies or quasi-bankruptcies, loss of jobs, farms, homes and school closures or depletions.

No Responsibility Ever Taken by Government

No responsibility has EVER been taken by government for causing such devastation, loss of wealth and/or property and production, despite so-called “*consultations*” where people with knowledge and experience were totally ignored in pursuit of some airy-fairy “*modelling*” totally lacking scientific and practical parameters. A typical example of this *scientific modelling* saw a couple of reports and years before the MDBA found out that the Barmah Choke was simply incapable of coping with the “modelled” water flows they intended.

<sup>1</sup> The Ramsar Convention

<sup>2</sup> Convention on Wetlands of International Importance (especially Waterfowl Habitat) - Ramsar, Iran, 2February 1971

<sup>3</sup> Convention on Biological Diversity - Rio de Janeiro, 5June 1992

<sup>4</sup> UN Convention to Combat Desertification in those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, Particularly in Africa - Paris, 17June 1994

<sup>5</sup> Convention on the Conservation of Migratory Species of Wild Animals - Bonn, 23June 1979

<sup>6</sup> Agreement between the Government of Australia and the Government of the People’s Republic of China for the Protection of Migratory Birds and their Environment - at Canberra, 20October 1986

<sup>7</sup> Agreement between the Government of Australia and the Government of Japan for the Protection of Migratory Birds and Birds in Danger of Extinction and their Environment - Tokyo, 6February 1981

<sup>8</sup> Agreement with the Government of the Republic of Korea on the Protection of Migratory Birds - Canberra, 6December 2006

<sup>9</sup> UN Framework Convention on Climate Change - New York, 9May 1992

## The Danger of FUTURE Conventions or Free Trade Agreements

It is quite clear that any FUTURE Conventions, Treaties, Agreements or other International Instruments entered into under the External Affairs Power of our Constitution certainly have the potential to change the course of ANYTHING which may be decided by this Inquiry or any other seemingly properly instituted policy or law AT SOME TIME IN THE FUTURE.

It is perfectly clear because the above (7) i.i) spells it out, although to anyone reading it at face value, it would not be clear that a FUTURE Convention could have this effect. Our law pertaining to water, any agreements we may have reached with the MDBA, State or Commonwealth; or agreements between States and the Commonwealth about water rights, allocations, ownership or delivery, will be overturned by default, to defer to Conventions or Agreements entered into under International Law. I will present further information backing this throughout this document.

Potential to change ANY  
current LAW by  
DEFERRING to  
International Law

*This is of paramount importance, and MUST be addressed as a matter of urgency.*

## Direct & Indirect Effects - Currency & Water

For Australian producers who actually work to grow crops from seed or harvest; or manufacturers who, for example, may make wine from grapes for domestic and export sales, or any manufacturer producing something **tangible**, there is considerable investment in anything involved with such production. *For example:*

- *Plant and equipment* - whether it's vehicles, tractors, harvesting plant, specialised equipment or state of the art processing lines to sort, process and pack
- *Labour* - general and specialised training invested in staff, employment for regions (growth for towns), opportunity for specialised study; and particularly, industry knowledge-base and expertise
- *Infrastructure* - investment in premises, farms, factories
- *Research and Development* - enabling them to remain competitive, and stay leaders in their fields
- *Intellectual Property* - many are leaders in their fields, and invest heavily in their own IP, and frequently, external IP which adds to their efficiency
- *Marketing* - either individual or corporate; from farmers markets and individual websites, to multi-million dollar global enterprises with extensive specialised and targeted marketing
- *Inputs* - (other than above) eg seed, fertiliser, WATER, fuel, interest, packaging/processing etc
- **DEBT** - the four letter word, which is the sum total of the rest, and almost always necessary to compete

Such investment costs dearly, and are investments in the future productive capacity of the region. Even short-term decisions are made based on long-term predictive modelling, and in this region's case, water availability was factored in. Being in business is expensive, with large overheads and fixed costs which simply cannot be traded in a single key-board action, as global traders do when trading our \$AUD. These traders are usually risking very little, have no overheads or investment in infrastructure, IP, debt, labour etc., no regard for the vagaries of the weather, and don't care what water costs, or whether or not it's delivered. They sit at a desk trading in front of a computer, having no idea of the physical work, months or years it takes to produce something which they can make or break in a heartbeat.

However, that is the basis that business is being asked to compete on.

## Means of Exchange Vs Commodity: Our Floating Currency

There is a good argument for some protection for our industries, just as we insure our property and vehicles. Australia is around 1% of the world system, barely enough to be of major influence. Yet, we have a floating \$AUD, and it has a split personality:

- ▶ On the one hand, farmers, producers and exporters are using it as a *means of exchange*.
- ▶ Traders, on the other hand, are using the \$AUD, *the commodity*.

There is barely a relationship, and this polarised \$AUD means that a tonne of wheat is in effect, a tonne one day, and half a tonne the next.

The **Means of Exchange** is in direct competition with the **Commodity**.



Why are farmers and manufacturers expected to accept these terms of trade? It is NOT necessary.

This to my mind, is one of the most crucial issues, and a very sound argument for setting our exchange rate so that it's not at the mercy of global traders - but working hard for our Nation and it's people. *(Another option could be a "basket" of commodities as a base, but we should have the discussion about smoothing the anomaly.)*

## Means of Production Vs Commodity: Water the Vital Input Vs Water the Commodity

Similar to the \$AUD competing with itself as both a means of exchange *and* a commodity, so now is *water*.

I personally do not believe that water rights were legally able to be detached from land (*it was never challenged*), and again, our nation was a victim of a sleight-of-hand action by vested interests and greed. When water became a commodity, our troubles began. Water that was previously (*I believe rightfully*) attached to land, *was, effectively*, the environmental flow. Most farmers never used their full water allocation/rights. Once a *floating dollar* figure was attached to *floating water* (greed



on many fronts), water became a commodity to be traded, and people sold water they never used, to those who would use it, because that’s the reason they purchased.

Banks were eventually able to manoeuvre to take a form of separate security over water (*which had never been the case*), and farmers having tough times were forced to sell their water rights (the *willing sellers*). Land values decrease dramatically, because it becomes just another way of stealing equity. Much of this was seen during the drought, but *increased exponentially* over and above that, with the MDBA’s handling of the MDB Plan.

Some sold because they were forced to, and were called “*willing sellers*” by the MDBA and governments, having no regard for the direct fallout of their actions, *either to sellers, or the flow-on effects to the community they supported and vice-versa*. Others sold to trade or make a profit, either through greed/business acumen, or in an attempt to stay viable or support/cross-subsidise their other day to day activities.



For Traders, it’s *Just Another Commodity*

The anomaly is that for producers, **water is a vital input, a necessary Means of Production**. For Traders, it’s just another **Commodity**. It could also mean a total *loss of sovereignty* over Australian water ownership when other nations or multi-national corporates can buy in and hold or trade water to the **detriment of Australia’s own food security**.

Producers and our Local Government Authorities (ie for town water) can be held to ransom and forced to pay exorbitant costs for something which is necessary to survive. Not only that, many of these towns were established **because** of the irrigation system - a system which was **PURPOSE-BUILT** to **serve the Australian communities and ensure food security**. This was the **VISION** of our forefathers that we have so greedily sold our souls for, allowing a necessity to become a commodity. We’ve allowed the *trading away* of that which our communities are built on. We’ve allowed **Water, the Commodity**, to be stolen from beneath our feet, which has cost our region dearly in terms of *Water, the Means of Production*.

No Longer Considered Essential to Human Survival

**Water, the Means of Production** is no longer considered essential to human survival and endeavour, yet is something we pay for whether we get it or not; and something to be allowed to flow out to sea, in environmental flows, which incidentally, have drowned the very red-gums it is supposed to save, killed fish, and eroded river-banks because those people with the expertise and knowledge to manage it properly have been disregarded and discarded.



**Water, the Means of Production**, built the towns in the MIA; it was the reason for being, the reason for investment in infrastructure; the reason industry thrived and supporting businesses sprung up to support this amazing production; the reason people moved to the region and invested further as years went on, the reason there

is so much attached to the irrigation industry built on *water*, delivered very efficiently\* by the most amazing gravity-fed system of rivers and channels. (ie *\*evaporation* should be considered a natural loss that feeds a bio-diverse eco-system; and costs to contain it would arguably be better-spent by building additional dams.)

In one foul *schizophrenic* swoop, **Water the Commodity** mismanaged and misunderstood by several governments and the MDBA, has destroyed equity, businesses and people in the region to some extent or another, and it is something **we need to learn a vital lesson from**, lest it should be allowed to happen again. We need to have a full and frank discussion about these issues, not sweep them under the carpet saying we need to look on the bright side and bury our head in the sand about what just happened.

Just because our businesses are innovative, resourceful and resilient, they can't be expected to continue to survive attacks like this. Many didn't survive, and many are surviving by the skin of their teeth.

At Loggerheads

Water the Means of Production, and Water, the Commodity are at loggerheads, because water was separated from land to be traded. Our region, and in particular, producers, have been the losers because they and industry have invested heavily in infrastructure and overheads to actually produce, whereas Traders have no relationship, association, or debt to infrastructure, employees and a productive region. It is fair game to destroy, because they are just trading as they always do, without understanding the ramifications, or that Water the Means of Production, and Water the Commodity, are two different things, and, commercially and socially, at opposite ends of the richter scale. However, governments, farm and industry organisations need to take responsibility for their part in bringing this about.



Water the FTA's Future Implications?

Currently, I have grave concerns about what impact the latest *Free Trade Agreements*, and the *Trans Pacific Partnership* (TPP), will have on both *Water the Means of Production*, and *Water the Commodity*. This has not yet been made clear, and the reference in the Water Act (2007), aside from listing several International Agreements, also, dangerously, I believe, clearly includes these and future agreements. In listing the Agreements, the Act states that the “*relevant international agreement means the following (list [on pg 7 herein]), and*

- (i) Any other international convention to which Australia is a party and that is:
  - (i) relevant to the use and management of the Basin water resources; and
  - (ii) prescribed by the regulations for the purposes of this paragraph.<sup>1</sup>”

WHO decides what is “relevant”? Like the term “environment”, it is not defined. We are allowing these Agreements to dictate what it means.

Removal from the Water Act

It cannot be stressed enough that these references to International Instruments ought to be removed from the Act. Currently, they are mostly about *birds and wetlands*, which is why there was NEVER a triple-bottom-line vision. That is not to say we don't manage these issues properly - indeed we should - but we DO NOT need to include them in the Water Act so that they over-ride Australia's sovereignty at a later date. We can manage water in an efficient commercial, social, and environmental manner without referencing them in legislation.



<sup>1</sup> Water Act (2007), Pt 1 S4

## Lack of Migratory Birds - a “*flighty science*”

We have been subjected to “*scientists*” and “*environmentalists*” making authoritative statements about the lack of birds and wildlife; indeed, we’ve been subjected to water flowing out to sea without being used productively because of a perceived “*environmental*” need. Yet, there is copious evidence of the damage being done in order to pursue this quest.

Birds and frogs do not vote, nor do they pay taxes, contribute economically, make decisions about food security of humankind, or employ public servants. They DO manage to go elsewhere when there is no water for them though, and frogs miraculously re-appear after many many years of drought, even when thought to be extinct in some cases. Likewise, birds are apparently not as stupid as some “*scientists*” who take it upon themselves to make sweeping statements about the lack of bird life in certain areas. They haven’t stopped to think that there is a horrific drought in Qld., and perhaps birds, being obviously more intelligent, understand they need to circumvent places where there isn’t water this year, and maybe just move right on ahead to a totally different place, or continent, where it’s in abundance at every stop. This is evident by the bird-life that appears when there is water, and in this wonderful *ELNino* wet winter, there are birds everywhere.



It may help if “scientists” check out irrigation farms instead of just wetlands to “research” some of these issues. It does the scientific community no service to produce “*evidence*” which is completely biased to support a theory. Perhaps it would also help if they looked at the *Riverina Farmers and Their Wildlife*<sup>1</sup> site, or the RGA *Bitterns in Rice* project<sup>2</sup> to see what’s really happening in the area. They would be amazed to find the birds and wildlife that are actually here, actively enjoying the irrigated paddocks, which create a habitat all of their own.

While ever the aforementioned references to the currently listed International instruments are included in the Water Act, there will **never be a necessity to achieve a triple-bottom-line** outcome, **unless** this is removed from the Act. Left in, we could find ourselves subject to them, or **another future Agreement** which would **undo anything** that this Inquiry can achieve.

## Common Law Vs Codified Law - Out of Perspective

Constitutionally, our law emanates from Biblical principles, which are embedded and implied in our system of **Common** Law, as opposed to the **Codified** form of Law emanating from any United Nations (UN) instruments, such as global Conventions, Treaties, or Agreements. When a Convention written in Codified Law over-writes our Common Law, we end up with a tangled web, and *international law* effectively **over-riding** our own. This is why we have endured such an imbalanced perspective on birds and the environment to the detriment of people, as per the Water Act being subject to international conventions. Embedded in Common Law, humankind are commanded by God in Gen 1:28<sup>3</sup> to care for God’s Creation, and hence have a moral duty to do so. We have moral obligations to God’s creatures, and although some are there to farm (subdue) we are commanded not be cruel.

We have an obligation to understand that God has designed His Creation in a vertically and horizontally integrated fashion. Many micro-biological creatures require a certain environment in which to live, and depend on each other.

<sup>1</sup> <https://www.facebook.com/riverinawildlife> (picture above from this site)

<sup>2</sup> <http://www.bitternsinrice.com.au>

<sup>3</sup> Gen 1:28 : God blessed them and said to them, “Be fruitful and increase in number; fill the earth and subdue it. Rule over the fish of the sea and the birds of the air and over every living creature that moves on the ground.” NIV

**Crops and flowers depend on the birds and the bees – *for the sound of song to create growth vibrations, and for pollination.*** Nevertheless, in the insect and animal world, beetles eat mosquitoes, and birds eat beetles. That is the natural order.



Even while the MDBA removes productive water from the system, and people suffer economically as a result, it seems to have escaped the MDBA's notice that rice paddies ARE actually able to be protected under Ramsar (*with the caveat that codified law often "reads" thus, but is implemented differently, so without the protection of the "Spirit of the Law" under Common Law, we remain unprotected*). According to Ramsar's own website :

*a. "Wetlands are also important storehouses of plant genetic material. Rice, for example, which is a common wetland plant, is the staple diet of more than half of humanity".<sup>1</sup>*

- b. Therefore, why is it that **our rice paddies are less valuable** than those in other parts of the world, and in particular, Third World countries? Is this a direct reflection of the **Lima Declaration**<sup>2</sup> whereby we defer constantly to third world countries to the detriment of our own people and industries?
- c. Good clean green food for Australians and the world is being jeopardised because the undefined *environment* is elevated above human needs in deference to self-styled "*greenies*" who want to eat, but have no real idea about what goes into producing food by the **most efficient farmers in the world** – Australian farmers. Our farmers can grow food more economically on a large scale than anyone in the world, thus saving many human lives (*as well as providing food for ducks, frogs and micro-biological populations*) that depend on the environment created by rice-growing.
- d. Our farmers are the *true greenies: real environmentalists* caring for their land because they want to keep farming, and pass a viable farm onto further generations. They have no interest in running it down - they are interested in efficiencies across the board - and are recognised throughout the world as the most efficient globally.
- e. The Government and MDBA seemed completely at home destroying Willow trees, although there is evidence to show they actually prevent erosion by holding channel banks together; help prevent evaporation; are an important instrument of transpiration; protect micro ecosystems under their shady canopy, and provide shelter for birds and native creatures.
- f. The photo below shows the terrible impact of "*environmental water*" rising and dropping metres a day at Hay, eroding the Murrumbidgee River banks, killing majestic River Red Gums, fish, and generally replacing a beautiful river enjoyed by people and creatures alike with a muddy clay. See *Farmers Left High & Dry over Water Rights* by Sue Neale<sup>3</sup>



<sup>1</sup> Ramsar website

<sup>2</sup> The Lima Declaration and Plan of Action on Industrial Development and Co-operation, 1975.

<sup>3</sup> *The Australian*, 12/6/15. Picture [copied above] by Stuart McEvoy showing ex Mayor Mick Rutledge & Rhonda Chrighton in River

## Who Judges? By What Value?

How is this “permissible”? Why can the Govt/MDBA blatantly ignore the current ecosystems, and make motherhood decisions which claim that another, soon to be established, ecosystem will be better than the one being destroyed? *Who judges this?* By what value is this established? *Which* International Agreement takes precedence? By what value is *this* established?

Is the Govt/MDBA so comfortable in it’s glass-house, rolling in tax-payer funds (not payable by birds and frogs), that it can simply ignore the citizens whose hard work, sweat (*and tears caused by the MDBA*) actually pays bureaucrats salaries?

The cost of temporary water rose due to the removal of water from the system, making it impossible for many to finish crops, or purchase additional water to do so. For others, it meant extending their debt in order to do so.

Why are Governments and the MDBA comfortable in destroying families, small well-run family businesses, farmers, communities, and infrastructure because it kow-tows to International Agreements over and above Regional Australians, and ultimately, all Australians? *They don’t live here, WE DO !!!!*



The pressure to make submissions and attend meetings has been put on the general public in a most inappropriate manner. The *public* all have OTHER jobs and work to do, yet are expected to read something which has taken a long time, and lots of funding, by many people and consultants PAID full-time, to compile. People are entitled to feel they are being pressured, because they are! In order to survive, they have had to respond, and organise themselves to be proactive, which many have done very well. No consideration is given by the MDBA and governmental officials to farming cycles, such as harvest, and no concessions were made for the floods in this region. People are expected to attend “consultative” meetings, and do make the time, in the hope someone will listen. However, after all that, the experience has been quite negative, because people do not feel they’ve been listened to, hence this inquiry.

## Current Madness

***We have had a very wet season in the MIA, yet, for the last couple of months, supplementary water has been flowing down through the Murrumbidgee River below Burrinjuck and Blowering. Now, they are releasing around 3,000 ML a day as transparent/translucent flows<sup>1</sup>. Why, when the downstream season has been so wet?*** *(Planned environmental water releases from Blowering and Burrinjuck dams within the Water Sharing Plan rules were designed to provide minimum flows in the rivers downstream (transparent releases) and also to provide some variability to flows to allow for natural stream processes to occur (translucent releases..... and .... “A complex series of tables have been developed to allow for catchment wetness, so that if the catchment is wet and it is raining heavily, the translucency rule means that releases from the dam are reduced, allowing natural tributary flows to provide variability in the river. If the catchment is drier, then releases from the dam would be more closely related to target flows at the Goodradigbee River gauge.”<sup>2</sup>)*

These releases are happening at the **SAME TIME** the Commonwealth Environmental Water Holder (CEWH) and Office of Environment and Heritage (OEH) are **releasing environmental flows** from Blowering and Burrinjuck. **How is the NEED for this apparent mismanagement determined?**

**Who judges? By what value?**

<sup>1</sup> [http://www.water.nsw.gov.au/\\_data/assets/pdf\\_file/0003/548904/imef\\_murrumbidgee\\_hydraulic\\_modelling\\_downstream\\_burrinjuck\\_dam.pdf](http://www.water.nsw.gov.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0003/548904/imef_murrumbidgee_hydraulic_modelling_downstream_burrinjuck_dam.pdf)

<sup>2</sup> Integrated monitoring of Environmental Flows - NSW Office of Water (May 2011) - above web ref.

## Productive Use

It is clearly demonstrated that regardless of what is said about achieving a triple bottom-lined approach, that *the environment* (which still is not defined as a term, except through the International Agreements/Conventions), is getting flooded in what is a very wet season.

It is being stolen from productive use, when there is **actually no need**. Current allocations are nearly all well below 100%.



### Imagine!

**So, what could 3,000ML produce?** Well, it could produce **3,000 tonnes of rice**. 3,000 ML EVERY DAY! Imagine what that would do for the export economy, and our regional economy! Imagine the additional jobs it would create! Imagine the additional sales and commerce it would create and generate in our region! Imagine the additional water for birdlife and creatures that would be all over the region!

### Imagine!

Imagine there is 3,000ML additional productive water, every day. Well, that’s what’s flowing down to sea, right past the production areas. AND, it’s happening over Winter and Spring, which has already been a very wet season this year. The “*environment*” doesn’t need it, but, if this water (a mere **80-90,000 ML** each month) was “*saved*” and allowed to grow food and fibre, then, just extrapolating that for rice, there is the potential to produce **an additional 480-540,000 tonnes!**

### *Imagine!*

Just imagine! Mining may have let the country down, but Agriculture could well and truly compensate, and in a year such as this, there would be a *triple bottom line benefit to the economy*.

**We ignore this at our peril.**

### Imagine!

Imagine if the Commonwealth and State worked together in conjunction with the irrigators and LGA’s to manage all the water efficiently for the *benefit*, not *detriment*, of the Environment, People/Communities; and the Regional, State and National economies.

## You can Bank on it

At the first Griffith meeting, Michael Taylor, (then Chair - MDBA) said that the MDBA was *working with banks behind the scenes!* This has proven an atrocious stab in the back for regional communities! Banks of course are very happy to work at a top level because they then have the inside running, and can and *did* put enormous pressure on farmers and small business. Not only that, they were desperate to get their hands onto *water - the security*, by whatever means they could, not least that water was now often worth more than the land. Working behind the scenes

would have been crucial to deliver that. Their advantage was time to think about how to do it well in advance of actually squeezing their customers.

Vested Interest

Banks also have a vested interest in **funding the transfer of assets** – it **keeps their system going**, which is *why* we had a *Global Financial Crisis*.

Banks have Multinational Corporate associates, who are in the market wanting to buy up cheap land and in particular, water, for nothing. By the MDBA working *behind the scenes* with the banks, it was *(probably unknowingly)* facilitating a form of *insider trading* which has set up the environment for transfer of water and land to multinational corporates. Australia will ultimately have no food security, and will become serfs to overseas ownership, which we are well on the way to doing'.

The MDBA’s actions, across the board, point to benefiting the banks and multi-national corporates, which will ultimately be at the expense of the environment. There are a multitude of examples of environmental abuse by multinationals (*which are much larger than national economies*) in third world countries.

Again, food security is at risk for ALL Australians. We will be importing poor quality cheaply produced third world food at a premium price rather than eating our own produce, produced efficiently, cleanly, and relatively greenly, especially when compared with those nations we would be importing from. The MDBA is facilitating poor health for all Australians, most of whom will be unable to afford to pay for good Australian produce.



There ARE Concessions we have to make

This is *Green Vandalism*. The Green agenda is not green. Australian farmers are truly *green*. They want to conserve their farms for future generations, and manage them accordingly. They have no interest in destabilizing their livelihoods, or their environment. Their only interest is to improve it, and operate more efficiently. I suggest that if the Green Agenda is so important, that we begin by taking all cars off the road, stop flying, stop mining, stop industry and production, and all go and die somewhere. Whilst that may sound extreme, it is the *logical extension* of what is being asked of our communities. We need to understand that if we wish to live our lives in relative comfort, with good food and a good lifestyle, **that there are concessions we have to make**, therefore, we must plan to supply ourselves with our people’s needs in a fit and proper manner, giving due consideration to both the environment and people.

There are grave questions around the relevancy of all the *research and science* applied to the proposed MDB Plan.

Mike Taylor told the Griffith meeting<sup>2</sup> that the MDBA had used the *best available science*. So much science was used that the whole Volume 1 was produced, and then after the Griffith meeting, Mike Taylor said (15/10/10) that the figure (*i.e., the amount of water which would need to be taken from farmers*) would be **significantly MORE** than he’d originally notified!

The second voluminous edition of the Proposed Basin Plan was not a lot better than the first: the consultations,

<sup>1</sup> Evidence has been well documented over a long period of time by courts, individuals, through banking enquiries etc, and are now regularly written about by Dr Evan Jones, Honorary Associate Professor in Political Economy at the University of Sydney (ret).

<sup>2</sup> Meeting held at the Yogali Club, Griffith on 14/10/10 to explain Volume 1of the Proposed Basin Plan

although better than the first round, were not really conducted in a business-like manner, and the MDBA, in the most atrocious manner, delayed payments for months to locals in communities where meetings were held, and accounts run up. Firstly, erode people’s equity, then use their credit!

There is general dissatisfaction about the way all the so-called “*consultations*” were conducted, and this needs to be taken on board for any further consultations.

Seemingly, all the concessions are being made by people who live and work in the regions, for the whims of those who don’t, as they continue to bear the brunt of mismanagement of the physical delivery systems, the wrecking of rivers and killing off red-gums and fish, and the delivery of environmental water on top of a very wet year. All this, done in the name of the as yet undefined “*environment*”.

## The Power of the External Affairs Power

We have totally thrown out our rule-book – the Australian Constitution, which, above all, asserts that governments are to legislate for the benefit and well-being of its people. Closing irrigation areas down is NOT legislating for our people - it is legislation benefitting outsiders to the detriment of our people.

Legislating through the External Affairs Power<sup>1</sup> in this, and most other instances, is totally contradictory to the well-being of Australians. We are capable of, and able to institute our own laws, without invoking international instruments, and inviting other countries to stifle our industries and people.

A more recent example of Australian laws being totally disregarded, and Australians being ruled from shores afar is the World Trade Organisation’s (WTO) decision<sup>2</sup> to allow NZ apples into Australia, despite the fact there has been a 90 year impost on apple imports from NZ to PROTECT the Australian industry from Fire Blight disease.

Due to the fact that Australia is party to the WTO agreement and its instruments, AQIS<sup>3</sup> and the Australian Quarantine laws are rendered totally useless. Our laws are able to be judged, changed and dispensed with by people who don’t even live in Australia! Fire Blight is just the tip of the ice-berg, as the Tasmanian Dam Case was, making way for a plethora of International instruments which effectively OVER-RIDE Australian laws.

China now ships apples to Australia on the back of that WTO judgment, and we have no choice but to acquiesce. Further, we appear unable to refuse China because they won’t put stickers with the nation of origin on their fruit as our law requires.

The latest vindication has been the High Court Decision on Refugees<sup>4</sup>.

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<sup>1</sup> S 51 (xxix) – Constitution - Commonwealth of Australia

<sup>2</sup> WTO Decision handed down on 29/11/2010

<sup>3</sup> Australian Quarantine Inspection Service

<sup>4</sup> 31<sup>st</sup> August, 2011

## Abuse Foreshadowed

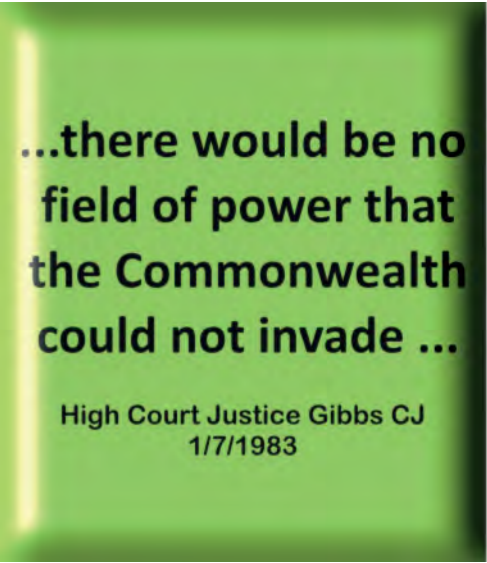
This abuse of the External Affairs Power<sup>1</sup> was foreshadowed in the Tasmanian Dam Case<sup>2</sup> by dissenting High Court Judges Wilson J and Gibbs CJ.

a. Judge Wilson said: “ ... *It is no exaggeration to say that what is emerging is a sophisticated network of international arrangements directed to the personal, economic, social and cultural development of all human beings. The effect of investing the Parliament with power through section 51 (xxix) in all these areas would be transfer to the Commonwealth of virtually unlimited power in almost every conceivable aspect of life in Australia, including health and hospitals, the work place, law and order, education and recreational and cultural activity to mention but a few ...* ”

b. Justice Gibbs said, speaking of the same thing: “ .... *there would be no field of power which the Commonwealth could not invade, and the federal balance achieved by the Constitution could be entirely destroyed ...* ”

Yet, Justice Lionel Murphy (*arguably Australia’s greatest humanist*) was concerned that the external affairs power would be insufficient to implement some treaties, and that: “... *Australia would be an International cripple unable to participate fully in the emerging world order ...* ”

a. Note: Australia is committed to World Government because we signed the New International Economic Order<sup>3</sup>, a fact that Lionel Murphy was well aware of.



## Federal Balance Destroyed

Justice Gibbs has been proved correct, as there is no federal balance now; the Commonwealth can over-ride anything it likes by invoking the External Affairs Power, thus all balance intended in the Constitution is destroyed, and a quasi-dictatorship established which has nothing to do with Common Wealth for all Australians.

No further proof of this is needed than the High Court decision on Refugees<sup>4</sup>[31/8/2011]. In a nutshell, the High Court held that because Australia was a party to what’s commonly referred to as “The Refugee Convention”<sup>5</sup>, Australia was not at liberty to make a sovereign decision about where to process them.

Again, Justice Gibbs’ words are confirmed: *There is no field of of power which the Commonwealth cannot invade; and the federal balance as per our Constitution has now been destroyed.*

## Personal, Economic, Social & Cultural Development Invaded

Judge Wilson’s sophisticated network of international arrangements has invaded the “*personal, economic, social and cultural development of all human beings*”, and the Commonwealth is showing that it has virtually “*unlimited power in almost every conceivable aspect of life in Australia*”.

<sup>1</sup> S 51 (xxix) – Constitution - Commonwealth of Australia

<sup>2</sup> Commonwealth Vs Tasmania – landmark decision by High Court 1/7/1983

<sup>3</sup> A United Nations Agreement

<sup>4</sup> High Court of Australia [2011] HCA 32

<sup>5</sup> “The Refugee Convention”: Convention relating to the Status of Refugees (1951); Protocol relating to the Status of Refugees (1967). Australia acceded to the Convention and the Protocol on 22 January 1954 and 13 December 1973 respectively.

The fact that the Water Act, a Commonwealth Act of Parliament MUST be interpreted in light of RAMSAR and other Environmental Agreements, merely demonstrates that the MDBA do NOT need to take into consideration social and/or economic concerns at all; in fact, it is unlawful at present if we do!!

### Sweeping Statement

WORSE STILL, and something which has the potential to upset any certainty that this round may appear to bring, is this section of the Water Act<sup>1</sup>, where after listing the current International Instruments which could affect the Basin Plan, it is qualified with the words:

- i) any other international convention to which Australia is a party and that is:
- i. relevant to the use and management of the Basin water resources; and
  - ii. prescribed by the regulations for the purposes of this paragraph

This inquiry needs to seriously look at this sweeping statement.

It is clear that ANY FUTURE instrument into which Australia enters could wipe out any sovereign agreement between the States and the Commonwealth. This is a most alarming section of the Water Act, and no politician can tell us that it won't be implemented, because they may not be there in several years time when it is challenged, and by law, ONLY the Environment will be considered, according to the Act. THE WATER ACT NEEDS TO BE REVOKED.

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**Consequently, before we as a Nation go any further, it is imperative that we strike the proposed Basin Plan from legislation, and amend the Water Act to exclude ANY reference to ANY International Convention, Treaty, Agreement, Declaration or other International instrument which can be invoked to OVER-RIDE Australian law and the well-being of Australian people, their future food security and their industry. The current Water Act with recent amendments should itself be revoked if the above amendments are problematic, and a new Act as it was (*prior to any references to International Instruments*), be drawn. It can consequently be built upon if there is true agreement between the States, rather than being shanghaied into it under the External Affairs Power, as was the case when Malcolm Turnbull ushered the Act in.**

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<sup>1</sup> Water Act 2007 - Sect 4: "relevant international agreement" means the following.

**Australians (*businesses, farmers, and individuals*) CANNOT afford to have more equity eroded WHEN we enter into any other instruments (*perhaps even the China Free Trade Agreement, or the Trans Pacific Partnership*), which could over-ride any agreements reached between the States and Commonwealth, or infrastructure companies and States/Commonwealth, or any legislation guaranteeing certainty.**

**Certainty CANNOT be guaranteed - EVER, while the Water Act refers to ANY International Treaties, Agreements, Declarations or Conventions. This sweeping statement<sup>1</sup> ensures that, threatening good, hardworking, honest Australians.**

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## Water Scarcity Myths

Water is NOT scarce in Australia – this is a myth pedalled by Internationalists, Multi-national corporations, Green groups and others with a vested interest in depopulating regional Australia, crueling industry, and buying up cheap land and business. Once control is gained, they will “lobby” government (*having larger businesses than our economy*) if that is even necessary by then, and build dams for themselves without regard to any environmental considerations whatsoever.

Water is NOT scarce in Australia. Australia is the 3rd richest water nation per capita in the world. It is possible to capture water which could flow through the Murray Darling System.

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## Political Will Required

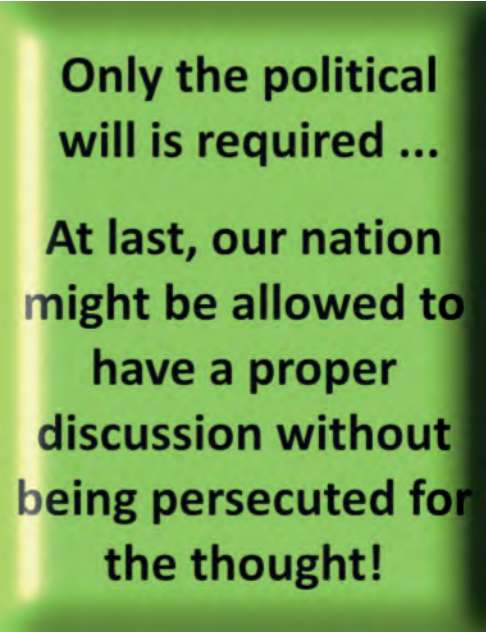
Only the political will is required to proceed with schemes like the Clarence River diversion inland that will give, through it's hydro power, enough clean energy to supply the northern rivers areas of NSW to (and over) the Qld border with hydro electricity. In doing so, if just 20% of the excess flow for the river system was captured, that 20% is equivalent to the WHOLE of the water volume in the Murray Darling System. This water could be sent down the Murray Darling System and would take the pressure off irrigators and the need for environmental flows.

Australia in 2012 was inundated with floodwater in nearly every Eastern State - for the second time in two years. Millions of megalitres went out to sea, of which a portion could have been captured and stored for use in dry years. On the back of massive flooding, there was at least a positive conversation regarding building dams whereas for the last 20-30 years, mentioning it has been something of a dirty word. Nevertheless, it is still an uphill battle to get to the place where our nation might be allowed to have a proper discussion without being persecuted for the thought!

<sup>1</sup> “any other international convention to which Australia is a party” - Water Act 2007

The Fitzroy River (WA) dumps 48 tonnes of fresh water per second out to sea in full flood in summer time. Australia is not short of water – we do not have to be a dry nation.

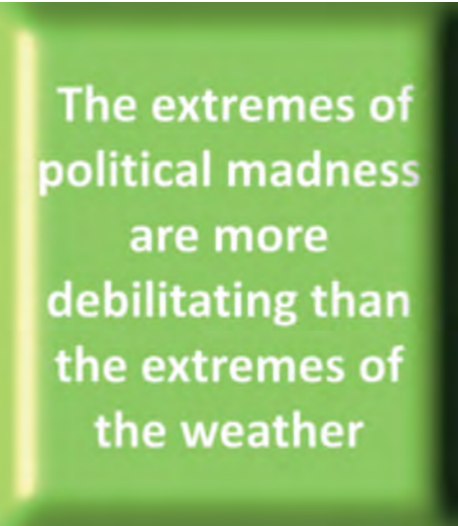
In fact, it is impossible to waste water on a global scale – water can only be wasted if it could be sent out into the stratosphere! The reason is that it all stays on earth as rain, snow, dew, moisture, storage, or soaks into ground. That which is captured in the Artesian Basin is recycled. We CAN divert it, if we had the political will, but we CAN’T waste it because it can’t get out into the stratosphere! We can make better use of it by damming it, and we could even afford to make a dam where none of the water was used for irrigation purposes, but solely to put an environmental flow into the river system in dry years, thus preserving productive water and food security.



### Australia Rejects; the World Accepts

*The International Journal on Hydropower and Dams*<sup>1</sup> cited the list of dams planned/under construction globally in 2010 where walls are taller than 60 metres:

a. Vietnam — 24; b. China — 60; c. Spain — 7; d. Greece — 5; e. Brazil — 10; f. Morocco — 9; g. India — 10; h. Iran — 47; i. Japan — 24; j. Burma — 11; k. Turkey — 18; l. Australia — 3\* which were:



- i. Heightening a dam wall on the Hinz dam
- ii. Enlarging the Cotter Dam supplying Canberra
- iii. The Tillegra Dam in the Hunter (probably unlikely to proceed)

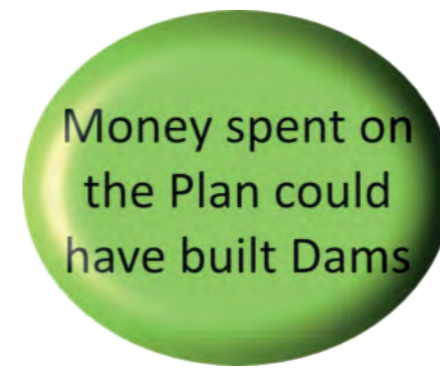
Quite clearly, other countries value water storage more highly than Australia, who can’t even have the conversation!

Adelaide requires just 250 gigalitres per annum to live in the manner to which they’ve become accustomed, and Perth, 350 gigs. In north-eastern Australia alone, 150,000 gigalitres flow out to sea each year. If we captured some from the Fitzroy, some from the Gulf, and some from the Clarence, Inland Australia could be open for business, and be a large player in world agriculture. Our food security could be assured, or if we just want to supply the undefined environment, we could simply do that by this means, and leave the current irrigation areas as they are.

Australia is an island; we have the ability to produce exceptionally clean and healthy food very economically, as Australian farmers are recognised the world over as being the most efficient. They are innovators and Australia is an inventive nation. We have the capacity to build more dams to catch run-off in high rainfall years such as 2011/12, where much water from extensive flooding could have been harvested and utilised to send environmental flows down the Murray Darling River System monthly over a period of a very long time. Assuming we simply build a dam for the birds, frogs, Adelaide and the Lower Lakes, then there would be no need be a draw on current irrigation water.

<sup>1</sup> The International Journal on Hydropower and Dams is a bi-monthly publication, read in 176 countries, dealing with all technical, environmental, social and economic aspects of hydro plants and multipurpose water resources development projects. It combines business news with state-of-the-art technology. Each issue has a regional focus, and special technical themes of interest to engineers in all the related disciplines. [www.hydropower-dams.com](http://www.hydropower-dams.com)

Perhaps, emboldened by that, we could improve storage facilities for water to bolster food security and sure up water allocation so that farmers could plan in advance instead of living with total uncertainty, not caused by extremes of weather, but extremes of political madness.



Rains in 2011/12 have proven that storing water in good years is possible, and sensible. We just don't have the political will.

The money spent already on the MDBA Plan and consultants etc could probably have built one such dam which could have serviced Adelaide and the Lower Lakes and put paid to petty inter-State rivalries. The birds and frogs would be happy too, as they would have new almost permanent, habitats.

## No Science in Withdrawing a Water Supply

There is no *science* in withdrawing a water supply which people have a right to rely on, since it was put there to BUILD our Nation and our regions to supplement our major food production areas. The flow-on impacts of water reductions have included (*and continue to do so*):

- a. Many farmers can't survive, because they can't afford to pay interest to the Banking Gobbleopoly. They have no water security, and can't budget to plant crops if they don't know whether water will be available, or what the eventual cost will be. *This has happened more, since the formation of the MDBA.*
- b. Consequently, farmers won't spend in the business community. Farms will drop in value as many need to sell because there is no future water security, and there is only so much mental and financial stress they can take. Business here invested heavily predicated on the supply of water, and when this became SUDDENLY unavailable/uncertain, chaos ensued<sup>1</sup>. *This has happened more, since the formation of the MDBA.*
- c. Farmers and small business have invested heavily in water-saving techniques. None of this can be recovered, even over a period of years as is always budgeted for, although the recent tax benefits around this have helped. The Banking Gobbleopoly are far from benevolent societies, and will not stand for such uncertainty. They will want their pound of flesh. There is only so much mental and financial stress farmers can take. *This has happened more, since the formation of the MDBA.*
- d. Often, farmers have had/are having to sell short of what they owe the Banking Gobbleopoly and creditors. *This has happened more, since the formation of the MDBA.*
- e. Families have been broken and distraught, wives and children have been devastated as they are forced to deal with the suicide of a husband and father, who felt a total failure because they couldn't support their families. They've often lost the family farm, which has been in the family for three or more generations. They feel helpless, battling against a government and a bureaucracy who have no feel for the bush, who don't live in regional Australia, and the closest they get is eating the cheap food produced there, because their policies have made it possible to force farmers to produce for less than the cost of production. There is only so much mental and

<sup>1</sup> Ref: Direct & Indirect Effects - Water & Currency - P8

financial stress farmers and small business can take. *This has happened more, since the formation of the MDBA.*

f. Farmers will see their industries taken over by the hovering vultures - big multi-national gobbleopolies who well-understand that FOOD is going to be more important than GOLD in coming years, and to them, food security is an imperative business goal. China has been a particularly large player over recent years. *This has happened more, since the formation of the MDBA.*

h. Governments in Australia make GROF policies designed to Get Rid Of Farmers. Agriculture is not considered a noble profession in Australia. Agriculture is at the bottom of the food chain; farmers are price takers, not setters. All their actions to ensure a fair price have resulted in GROF policy which has seen the Australian Wheat Board disbanded, and all the infrastructure owned by farmers stolen and sold to international corporate gobbleopolies which consider food valuable, but only want to pay peanuts for it. Wool has gone the same way, and it has taken over 20 years to recover (*if indeed, one could say it has recovered*). Perhaps the MDBA could look at some of those statistics when it makes “*scientific*” evaluations of the minimal effects water cuts will have on communities? Many manufacturing industries in Australia have been forced offshore to survive, or simply haven’t survived, costing taxpayers a packet to support those who lost jobs in the wash-up. Recently, the bell tolled for Rice – a perfectly good and profitable industry was nearly gobbled up by a multinational

i. The MDBA and humanist government policies are the cause of this uncertainty.

j. Small businesses, already dealing with the flow-on effects of ten years of drought in the area, were further impacted as the money supply dried up. Owners themselves had to work longer and longer hours, putting workers off to try to survive - many finally succumbing to the pressure, and trying to get out before the Banking Gobbleopoly swallowed them up, along with all or much of their equity. *There is only so much mental and financial stress small business can take*

j. Families break under the financial strain. Some suicides are always inevitable.

k. Mike Taylor told the Griffith meeting that he had made no provision for food security or small business to exit. This just proves out nation has lost sight of the vision and reason the system was built.

l. Jobs dried up, along with the water.

m. People were forced to leave the area in search of work elsewhere. *There is only so much mental and financial stress employers and employees can take.*

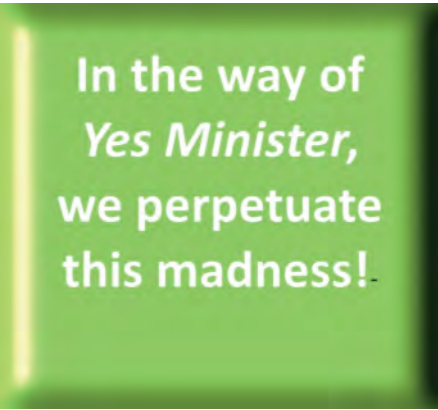
n. The family home fell dramatically in value. Where families may have borrowed \$250,000 to purchase a home, that home could have dropped from \$150-190,000 – if they could find a buyer! People were been effectively (if not formally) bankrupted, losing all their equity, and everything they have saved for. The Federal Government and the MDBA, with the Banking Gobbleopoly will have stolen their equity from them. *There is only so much mental and financial stress families can take.*

**Farmers, Families,  
Small Business, Jobs,  
Industry, Whole Towns**

**....**

**none will escape the  
detrimental flow-on  
effects of the drying  
up of business in the  
Murray-Darling  
System**

- n. The circle continues – it’s not baffling science, MDBA, just plain common sense - and a kick in the guts for fellow humans while the welfare of frogs and birds is put on a pedestal, elevated above all else to the point of complete stupidity, and in total contradiction of Biblical principles embedded in our Constitution.
- o. Finally, taken to the <sup>n</sup><sup>th</sup> degree, if there are no people, there is no need for water or the infrastructure, or the jobs that go with them .... but, in the way of *Yes Minister*<sup>1</sup>, a way will be found to perpetuate this madness, which will probably be (*yes, a light bulb moment!*) .... sell to a Multinational Gobbleopoly!
- p. No, this isn’t as stupid as it sounds, because this will truly be reality for many people, and already is, due to the MDBA’s Plan and the Government legislation which enabled it.



Not So Serious about River Damage

It is interesting to note that whilst the drought was on, neither the MDBA nor any government agency did anything to clear out Carp from our rivers. European Carp are an environmental enemy, causing erosion and depopulation of our native fish species. Why didn’t the MDBA see fit to have the rivers – while in a very low state – fished out of Carp? This would truly have been something to brag about, instead of fishing out the people who live and rely on the water in the productive regions of Australia!

Australian Law Ignored in Deference to International Law

- No doubt due to Ramsar and the other International Instruments, the MDBA has chosen to ignore Section 100 of the Australian Constitution:
- a. NOR ABRIDGE RIGHT TO USE WATER<sup>2</sup>: *The Commonwealth shall not, by any law or regulation of trade or commerce, abridge the right of a State or of the residents therein to the reasonable use of the waters of rivers for conservation or irrigation.*

Truly, Federal Governments, State Governments, many in Opposition at all levels of government, and the MDBA, have treasonably ignored the above (S.100). The words of Justice Gibbs & Wilson ring loudly. **The States and their residents are being deprived of water by Commonwealth laws and regulations brought about by the invocation of the External Affairs Power.** Our Constitution ought to have precedence by way of it preceding the treaties that the Act refers to, clearly in contravention of Section 100, IF we are still a sovereign nation.

Such ignorance of the rights of people over the environment is a humanist agenda, and totally ignores the fact that our Commonwealth Constitution is a Christian document, steeped in Biblical principles, which has given our nation a legacy of legal and historical precedents which uphold those Principles. Such principles acknowledge the Christian God as Creator and provider of our needs; the Bible (or the Word of the Creator) as the basis for governance, and as the guide, or goal, for human behaviour towards one another, and towards the creatures and environment with which we are entrusted.

<sup>1</sup> British (BBC) Comedy Series about the machinations of parliamentary decisions

<sup>2</sup> 100 – Constitution – Commonwealth of Australia

## Humanist Agenda Over-rides a Nation



The United Nations is a humanist organisation, and its laws reflect this, with many noble words written which have the opposing effect when implemented. In signing these international agreements and allowing them to over-ride our Constitution, we are eroding our Christian rights, which allow us to be truly free and decentralised. You don't need to be Christian to benefit from these laws; each person is able to choose to be or not to be Christian, but the benefits of our Christian Constitution remain. This is in total contradiction to the centralist and socialist agenda of global government being ushered in under the guise of a plethora of warm and fuzzy international agreements, several of which have been invoked in the Water Act. This is why the MDBA ONLY had

to take into consideration the environmental issues which come under the auspices of the many agreements, conventions and UN instruments which dictate, or totally over-ride, the Water Act and the Constitution which it sits under.

## Our Crystal Ball Reveals ....

The fact that an as-yet-entered-into International instrument might erode the whole Water Act and MDB Plan is a foreseeable danger, and ought to be rectified now.

Consequently, it is the environment before people, whether we like it or not, UNLESS the Water Act is revoked, which is necessary for good, sensible and reasonable government IN Australia, FOR Australians – not for those who live overseas who are not Australian citizens. There needs to be a return to governance for our nation, not against it.

## Before Dams & Irrigation, Rivers Dried Up

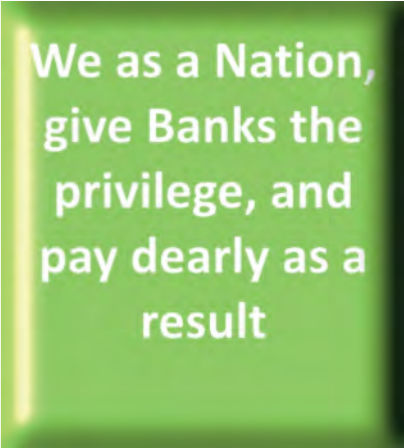
As a people, we should always remember that before dams and irrigation, our rivers dried up. The River Red Gums, birds, fish and frogs didn't disappear, but while some died, the rest went into "*drought protection mode*", and the species survived. As a people, we need to remember that we do have a land of extremes, and it would well behove us to read Dorothea Mackellar's "*My Country*" again, and remember that we can't control the weather, but we can harvest the rain when it comes - when it drums .... *the drumming of an army, the steady, soaking rain!* We do not have to cause more heartbreak to our hard-working farmers, small business people and workers who ARE the fabric of our rich regional society by withdrawing a water-supply that the irrigation areas of Australia were built on.

## Unnecessary "*Structural Adjustment*"

Our nation does not need the "*structural adjustment*" of those who are efficient and industrious but are unable to survive due to long droughts and government tax-debt policies [*businesses either need to be in debt to avoid crippling tax, or pay tax which cripples innovation*]. It is the MDBA which needs structurally



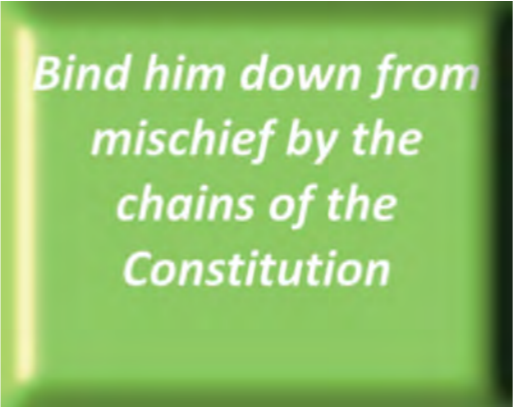
adjusting, to reflect the future needs of our nation. As dam-building is a dirty word, so too is taking a leaf out of our own nation-building book and making the credit available for infrastructure a dirty word, actively discouraged by the banking gobbleopoly with their vested interests of making mega-profits. This is backed up by a compliant media, putting down anyone who mentions using our national credit for the benefit of it’s people and ending up with infrastructure, or health systems which could be the envy of the developed world. Just because people have forgotten how it works, or how it would benefit our nation or encourage innovation, is no reason not to have a national discussion about it. If only we could recognise that we, as a nation, give banks the privilege of creating credit, loaning, and charging people interest without any cost to them save operating a computer, we could understand that unlike farmers who need to grow a crop to sell, banks only create credit (*ie their own “qualitative easing” machine*), which certainly isn’t at the mercy of the vagaries of the weather. However, it is prudent for the nation to create credit, based on the national capacity of Australia, in order to, for example, restore infrastructure due to the floods; finance farmers and small business long term (10-20 years) for say 2% in the interests of food security and protecting our standard of living as a nation; and in the interests of Advancing Australia. Where credit is loaned or used in such a fashion, it is not inflationary, as it contributes to the common wealth of our nation.



Bank Foothold

However, the banking gobbleopoly has such a foothold globally now, that it is able to influence governments and media by withdrawing their bits of trading paper and holding any nation who, for example, would consider setting/partially setting their dollar (*or basing it on a basket of commodities*) so that it couldn’t be interfered with — to ransom. There are many ways which could address these issues, and the problem isn’t insurmountable. Flood or drought disasters could be a catalyst to address this, although doing so would mean very strong and active opposition from the banking community, who always know what is best for the rest of Australia (*as do economists who haven’t been taught about our own banking history*). It is sure to be the reason Australia is unable to set up something like the Commonwealth Development Bank used to be, ever again; or, for that matter, the State banks. There has been a recent push to bring in a Reconstruction and Development Board in Australia, but this would either be opposed strenuously from the banking community with loads of lobby money, or swamped with banking representatives who would ensure that it was never a real threat to their profits.

Use Credit Prudently



If as a nation we were to use credit prudently and curtail the banks, it would save us millions in interest. Credit is another convention created by man and adopted by the banking gobbleopoly to steal the productive capacity of nations. How much more noble would it be to take this burden from our citizens, and build our nation, as we once did, which is why the Commonwealth Bank came into existence (*i.e., there IS a precedent for this, but like dam-building, we aren’t allowed to have the discussion*). The *quantitative easing* (or created credit) can be written off once we have infrastructure to replace it, thus facilitating assets without the need to pay them off for hundreds of years, we and other nations now do. This isn’t to say that

we “*print money*” or issue credit till the cows come home, which IS actually what the banks have done globally. If we

do that, we can see what we end up with - a Global Financial Crisis. Yet prudentially managed on a national scale, it would be *(as in the past)* of enormous benefit to Australia, and would provide funds for infrastructure such as road, rail, dams, schools, hospitals etc. As a nation, we ought to be having the discussion, without being railroaded by vested interests. However, I'm cynical enough not to expect any miracles where this is concerned, as vested interests usually win, simply because we haven't been eternally vigilant.

**A Nation chained by  
Debt & Red Tape is  
easily delivered to  
Global Corporations**

*“Free government is founded in jealousy, not confidence. It is jealousy and not confidence which prescribes limited constitutions, to bind those we are obliged to trust with power.... In questions of power, then, let no more be heard of confidence in men, but bind him down from mischief by the chains of the Constitution.”* ~ Thomas Jefferson, 1799.

## Watershed for Australia

The Tasmanian Dam Case was a watershed for the Australian Constitution. The abuse of the External Affairs Power has had the effect of releasing the chains of the Constitution on those who are in a position to abuse it, with the effect that the nation is chained by debt and red tape, which in turn, delivers free nations to global corporations.

Likewise, S100 of the Constitution is being over-ridden, with the States being forced to come into line with the Commonwealth. More and more, there is emphasis on the *environment*, yet the environment suffers as a result. I'm old enough to remember that previous to the Irrigation companies, there used to be the WC&IC - the Water CONSERVATION and IRRIGATION Commission.

There was once a vision that these could rightfully co-exist, and work alongside each other for the benefit, rather than the detriment of communities, as we have seen since the inception of the MDBA. Of course, they CAN co-exist, but not if they are dictated to by people who have no understanding of the system, and don't work in the area.

People with real experience need to be recognised. Computer modelling is only as good as the information fed into the computer program, yet when the MDBA and Governmental officials were advised of these things, and exactly what was wrong and what needed to be put into the modelling, they were ignored. These practical people are the people who need to be being paid for advice, not people who simply don't live in the area, and don't have an investment in the region, save for their food supply, which they clearly don't value.

## Opportunities Needed

We do not need structural adjustment programs; we need opportunities for economic growth and diversification in regional Australia. Once more, we, as a nation, are at a watershed moment. Do we have the courage to build, to create the funds to make it happen in a prudent manner, under-writing long-term, low interest loans, and repairing infrastructure without great cost to the nation and its taxpayers? Do we dare to encourage innovation? Can we build capacity and resilience in this great nation of ours, despite being — and because we are — a land of extremes?

**Dare We Encourage  
Innovation?**

## Revoke the Act; Work with the Seasons

I submit that the Federal Government MUST revoke the Water Act and recommence negotiations with the States. The Act which replaces it MUST NOT have any reference to any international agreements, conventions or treaties. If there is no agreement, States should not be dragged into it by the incorrect use of the External Affairs Power of the Constitution, which brings decimation of rural and regional communities, families, businesses and industries.

Inland Australian doesn't need another recession we had to have, or events like the decimation of our manufacturing industries through government policies. It doesn't need decimation and adjustment like the wool industry had to go through, from which it has never recovered. Australia needs good common-sense governance, similar to that of farming and small business, which allows the nation to prosper.

As a nation, we need to learn to work with the seasons — making allowances in financial and tax policy for those regional Australian businesses reliant on seasonal conditions; and unashamedly build our capacity to harvest water in times of flooding rain to compensate for the droughts, fires and famines of our vast sunburnt country. We are an innovative nation - we can store enough water if we harvest what now goes out to sea. The costs of moving it between storages are nothing when compared to the damage of the tsunami-type floods ..... or droughts, which are just very slow and painful tsunamis, easily able to be largely ignored by governments of all persuasions.

I finish this submission as I have with others, with Dorothea Mackellar's *My Country*, and remind the MDBA and Governments that we have coped with fires, drought and floods in recent years on a large scale, and while the drought can't be prevented, nor the floods, we can capture water to minimise the effects of both floods and drought, and we ought, as a duty to our nation and our people, store in years of plenty for the lean years. It's plain common sense — and somehow, somewhere along the line, *we've abandoned it*.

Finally, it is imperative that the Water Act is changed to exclude all reference to any International Instruments; and it is more imperative that we don't leave the door open to being signatory to a future agreement which overturns any laws and inter/intra-State agreements with the Commonwealth and any other parties regarding water.

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# My Country

By Dorothea Mackellar

1885-1968

The love of field and coppice,  
Of green and shaded lanes.  
Of ordered woods and gardens  
Is running in your veins,  
Strong love of grey-blue distance  
Brown streams and soft dim skies  
I know but cannot share it,  
My love is otherwise.

I love a sunburnt country,  
A land of sweeping plains,  
Of ragged mountain ranges,  
Of droughts and flooding rains.  
I love her far horizons,  
I love her jewel-sea,  
Her beauty and her terror -  
The wide brown land for me!

A stark white ring-barked forest  
All tragic to the moon,  
The sapphire-misted mountains,  
The hot gold hush of noon.  
Green tangle of the brushes,  
Where lithe lianas coil,  
And orchids deck the tree-tops  
And ferns the warm dark soil.

Core of my heart, my country!  
Her pitiless blue sky,  
When sick at heart, around us,  
We see the cattle die -  
But then the grey clouds gather,  
And we can bless again  
The drumming of an army,  
The steady, soaking rain.

Core of my heart, my country!  
Land of the Rainbow Gold,  
For flood and fire and famine,  
She pays us back threefold-  
Over the thirsty paddocks,  
Watch, after many days,  
The filmy veil of greenness  
That thickens as we gaze.

An opal-hearted country,  
A wilful, lavish land-  
All you who have not loved her,  
You will not understand-  
Though earth holds many splendours,  
Wherever I may die,  
I know to what brown country  
My homing thoughts will fly.



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## TOO MUCH PRETEND “LISTENING” & NOT ENOUGH REPRESENTATION OF CONSTITUENTS *Business As Usual!*

The Senate Committee chose to **only** have **public hearings in CANBERRA**. It was not in their interest to come out anywhere where the real production takes place because they are being driven by **United Nations dictates**.

This can be proven very easily, firstly by referring to the **Water Act 2007** itself. It refers to certain International instruments, treaties, Conventions etc, such as the **RAMSAR** convention, **Biodiversity** Convention, several **migratory bird conventions**, the **Climate Change** Convention, *and the important part:*

– ANY OTHER INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION TO WHICH AUSTRALIA IS A PARTY AND THAT IS: 7.i) *Relevant to the use and management of the Basin Water resources.*

## OPEN CHEQUE-BOOK

I was the first one in Australia to bring to the general public’s attention what the traitors planning, developing and signing this Act always knew — that this **means FUTURE, as yet UNSIGNED Conventions** — so by being party to this, and **invoking the treaties and treaties unknown in the Water Act**, we have signed up to an UNKNOWN QUANTITY OF UNKNOWN DURATION AND IMPLICATIONS. We’ve given the UN and it’s elite cabal carte-blanche entrée to our water with the stroke of a pen.

This is SO irresponsible by those in power at the time of signing – and this means **BOTH SIDES OF POLITICS!** This clearly demonstrates that our **law pertaining to water**; any agreements we may have reached with the **MDBA, State or Commonwealth**; or **agreements between States and Commonwealth** about **water rights**, allocations, **ownership** or **delivery** will be **overturned by default**, to defer to Conventions or Agreements entered into under International Law.

## FROM THE HORSES MOUTH!

We have it from the horses mouth, the **Federal government itself** in their response to the Senate *Legal and Constitutional Affairs References Committee Report* where they said:

In summary, the general purposes of the Water Act and the Basin Plan are: **to give effect to relevant international agreements.**

The UN has driven the agenda on water for many years, and from their own mouth – the World Bank’s evaluation of the Global Water Partnership in 2010 said: **“... it takes a considerable time – decades and not years – for institutional reform and new initiatives on Integrated Water Resources Management (IWRM) to mature”.**

They are playing the long game, and playing us, and they’ve got control via misuse of the External Affairs power.

## WORLD BANK AND THE UN / GLOBALIST TENTACLES

The **World Bank** has set up many different bodies dealing with water – in fact, it’s a **sophisticated form of Insider Trading** across the globe by the **UN, World Bank and big corporate partners.** Under the World Bank we have the **UNDP World Bank Water & Sanitation Program**, the World Water Council, the **Global Water Partnership**, which split in 1992 to become the **Water P’ship Network** and the **Global Water Partnership Organisation.** It’s role was to create **Regional, Country and Area Water Partnerships**, with associated programs in **Water Resource Management.**

Then **GATT became GATS in 1995** moving under the **World Trade Organisation** and went onto bigger and better dictatorships with **Agenda 21** (Earth Summit, Rio ‘92), **Climate Change** Conventions and Treaties, **Paris, Agenda 2030** etc etc. It’s a Global plan to control water for the UN elites and Corporate Gobbleopoly mates.

Alongside that in a parallel pincer action, huge **Wall Street Megabanks** like Goldman Sachs, **JP Morgan Chase**, Citigroup, **Deutsche Bank**, Credit Suisse, **Macquarie** and Barclays Bank, **Blackstone Group**, Allianz, **HSBC** and Merrill Lynch, along with other financial groups and investment companies, wealthy tycoons, such as the **Bush family**, and power corporates all investing in (or raiding) **Water**, which they called the **new gold.**

Along with this went a lot of **blackmailing** of countries to give up their utilities, or especially the **profitable sectors** of them, under the UN-promoted **deregulation, privatisation, trade liberalization, and Commodification** of utilities and water. And then, after the damage is done, that lovely term **“structural Adjustment”.**

The **IMF** along with the IFC – **International Finance Corporation** – the private sector lending arm of the **World Bank Group**, underwrote **development-type loans** to developing nations, forced them to **“unbundle”** public utilities or coerced nations into becoming **signatories to international instruments.** Just a **sophisticated Insider Trading racket** by global **corporate raiders**, but our **water, roads, power and other infrastructure** like communications all got caught up in it, to the detriment of the people of Australia, the real owners.

The UN has dictated water (and trade) policy to the Nation and States, via **conferences**, information, **data**, and **“advice”** along the lines of **“world’s best practice”.** The *Smart Cities* they want you to move to after you’re bankrupted or cleaned out are well in hand; the **Sustainable Development Goals** which National, State and local government are signed up to, that are pushed through governance, law, education, health and every other aspect of our lives already affect us, and have impacted us greatly in recent years. Our

bureaucrats and politicians fell for this, and this type of “*planning for the future*” is not something which has been, or is going to be, beneficial to our State and Nation.

## “THE VOICE” AND WATER IMPLICATIONS

**What will happen to Water, and the cost to farmers, industry and Mum’s and Dads if the VOICE succeeds?**

There is DEFINITE **UN** meddling in this, and they will be the beneficiaries. **Water prices will double, triple or quadruple very quickly** because the UN is using the Indigenous Industry or elite IndigAutocracy who control those who never get a say in their own areas to achieve this. EVERYONE will have to pay additional fees to use beaches, national parks, water-ways etc, and the IndigAutocracy will be given “**royalties**” **based on water consumption** similar to mining royalties. The VOICE will be funded from **land and water taxes** – increased of course with the mugs at the bottom paying. You will also pay fees to dig, plough, plant or remove vegetation, similar to the **WA legislation** that’s been parked until after the Referendum. Exclusive “sovereignty” will be given to Indigocrats over **all land and waters**.<sup>1</sup>

## LOSS OF LAND TITLES ?

**And what of our land titles?** Again, your land titles have been digitised, so if they’re hacked, or disappear, *what happens to your water entitlements?*

Albo<sup>2</sup> is on record as saying there **will be a treaty**, which will **give the UN almost complete control**. With the CBDC’s, or *Central Bank Digital Currencies*, your **purchasing power may disappear** when they decide to wipe your credit clean, because they are **getting rid of CASH** at your local bank now. Again, this is **driven by the UN**. Most people are aware of the **World Economic Forum** (WEF), and it’s **Chair Klaus Schwabb**<sup>3</sup> along with his awful offsider, **Dr Yuval Noah Harari**<sup>4</sup> who say that *we (plebs!) will own nothing, and be happy*.

They are after our water, and since we’ve been told by our government that the general purpose of the Water Act was **to give effect to international agreements**, we can take it as gospel when at the WEF’s Davos forum on the “**economics of water**” last year Prof Mariana Mazzucato lamented that **they’d failed to deliver in controlling humanity**. “*Did we actually manage to vaccinate everyone in the world? No.*” “*Climate change is too abstract*” So **COVID and Climate Change had failed** to bring in their *Great Reset*<sup>5</sup>, implementing World Government<sup>6</sup>, but now, we will have a **water crisis** that will be the catalyst to impose it upon we “*deplorables*”, as Hillary Clinton called us, or the “*useless eaters*” as the WEF calls us.

## THE JAB FAILED – WE’LL HAVE A WATER CRISIS!

So, you see, COVID was an attempt to break you, our economies, to bankrupt whole countries, to transfer wealth through banks to themselves, to stop innovation, to beat people into submission, and generally, by using the GLOBAL **Central Bank system**, (*privately owned, by the way*) bring nations to heel.

<sup>1</sup> This information comes from NIAA documents obtained under FOI (April 2023)

<sup>2</sup> PM Anthony Albanese

<sup>3</sup> Klaus Schwab -founder of The World Economic Forum and author of “*COVID-19: The Great Reset*” and “*The Great Narrative.*”

<sup>4</sup> Adviser to Klaus Schwab, outspoken proponent of transhumanism / “Great Reset Agenda”. Endorsed by Obama, an Israeli public thought leader & professor in Dept of History at Hebrew University of Jerusalem.

<sup>5</sup> Also known as: COVID-19, The Great Reset, The Fourth Industrial Revolution, Transhumanism, and the One-World Government agends, Event 201, Agenda 2021, Agenda 2030.

<sup>6</sup> Or under the UN, the New World Order (NWO), Great Reset etc, previously known as the New International Economic Order (NIEO)

TASMANIAN DAM CASE – WATERSHED MOMENT

May I remind you what dissenting Judge Wilson said in the Tasmanian Dam case in 1983, the watershed on mis-use of our external affairs power, which about sums up the UN’s complete take-over of every jurisdiction possible through treaties. He said:

“It is no exaggeration to say that what is emerging is a **sophisticated network of international arrangements directed to the personal, economic, social and cultural development of all human beings**. The effect of investing the Parliament with power through section 51 (xxix) in all these areas would be transfer to the Commonwealth of virtually **unlimited power in almost every conceivable aspect of life** in Australia, including **health and hospitals, the work place, law and order, education and recreation and cultural activity** to mention but a few”.

So, I have just explained briefly how The VOICE will be used, via a treaty, to take control – that’s the **cultural activity**, as referred to by Wilson. Regarding **health and hospitals** – who can forget the **dictatorial mandates** making people who normally don’t even eat junk food take a poisonous injection of unknown quality.

The World Health Organisation, by it’s own admission – that is, *buried in their own documentation* **planned the covid pandemic**, as Mariana Mazucato **clearly** alluded to, and Schwabb and Harrari have admitted. They, along with their co-conspirators, told us there **was going to be a pandemic** and had **vaccines** and **PATENTS** ready to go **long before they announced COVID**. Then they unleashed a **bio-weapon** in the form of the jab, which they **mandated** around the world, and NOW they want us to give them carte blanche via their **“PANDEMIC TREATY”**, which we are blithely being thrown into by our stupid politicians. I think they’ve just given \$100m to the WHO towards it.

YES, THERE IS EVIDENCE – AND PLENTY OF IT

I do not say bio-weapon lightly – there is **EVIDENCE** from the **WHO themselves**, and their co-conspirators, and by tracking the **patents** through, using their own definitions you find that the jab was **indeed a bio-weapon**, and that’s been borne out now by the exponential increase over and above the **normal death rate** with all the health issues such as **myocarditis, auto-immune diseases** etc., not to mention people just **“dying suddenly”**. They aren’t dying of covid, they are dying because of the nature of the jab, and that ties in with the **Rio Convention** – to which we’re party – about **de-population**. It also lines up with the **DEAGEL**<sup>7</sup> population forecasts, which a few years ago forecast huge decreases in global populations – Australia reduces by 34%. DEAGEL is a branch of US Military intelligence collecting statistical data for strategic decisions, which contracts to the **UN, NSA and the World Bank**. *Are you getting the picture? The same people are at the top.*

Now, according to the WEF, *(aside from a new scare to force people to get “vaccinated”, which as Greg Hunt told us (21/2/21), was a global trial - “The world is engaged in the largest clinical trial, the largest global vaccination trial ever.”)*<sup>8</sup> they’re going to **ATTACK WATER**.

This has been on the cards for a long time, and I have written and made submissions on this to various inquiries. The WEF is leading the charge because it’s about **CONTROL**. THESE ARE THE PEOPLE DICTATING TO US, AND YOU OUGHT TO KNOW ABOUT THEM BEFORE IT’S TOO LATE!! Harari says **“Humans are now**

<sup>7</sup> Deagel.com forecast a 34.6% decline in Australia’s population by 2025. It was taken down by Deagel because people realised that COVID was planned, but it can still be found. It was attacked by fact checkers and MSM for making bold predictions in 2021, predicting a 68.5% decline in the USA and 77.1% in the UK. Now that the COVID “vaccine” results show huge increased deviations in “normal” deaths and turbo cancers etc, the Deagel predictions may very well be quite on track.

<sup>8</sup> Greg Hunt 21/2/21 – [largest clinical trial ever](#)

**hackable animals”, (ie via the jab) and “Once you can hack humans there is no longer free will”, and “Hitler and Stalin would be nothing compared to the combination of AI and Bio-tech”. He also said “We are upgrading homo sapiens into gods”; “God is dead, it just takes awhile to get rid of the body” and “Neither the Gestapo or the KGB could do it, humans are now hackable animals”. This is because they have used the experimental jab as their bio-weapon, and that’s what Harrari is talking about – THERE IS A GEL or chip that sends information and communicates, as well as the fact that it’s designed to make your body into a mini-laboratory to attack itself, ie, your immune system. These things are well known to this group of elites.**

**Water is going to complete their control**, because we all need to drink and grow food, and **we understand that**, apparently, not like the failed **Climate Change scare agenda and COVID jabs**.

## BANKS ARE CRUCIAL TO GLOBAL CONTROL

**Major Banks** are crucial to this transformation to global governance and control of the “*useless eaters*” as Schwabb and Harari call us while they want us to “*eat ze bugs*” *and fake meat*. This is just nother attack on farming and primary production, which the banks are totally in sync with. Banks jack up interest rates and increase inflation to steal your savings. But, we don’t understand it, and in banking inquiries, when banks want to **close branches, and withdraw cash**, our politicians just think that’s a **commercial act** of the banks. Nothing could be further from the truth!

## NOTHING COULD BE FURTHER FROM THE TRUTH!

They don’t realise that WE give the banks the **licence** BY LEGISLATION to create the credit to run the economy, and therefore, they have **MORE THAN A SOCIAL LICENCE obligation** to keep branches open, and to **NOT MEDDLE WITH OUR CASH**. The **withdrawal of cash is a globalist agenda** to further control for Schwabb’s Great Reset.

In Australia, as everywhere, our banks steal from us with the blessing of government policy to back them up. This works because bankers put their people in to whiteant and write public policy all over the world. From memory, there have been books written about how this works, and court cases where the likes of Goldman Sachs put their people into public positions, and a year or two after they finish their roles, they have a huge nest-egg waiting for them, and get their old jobs back if they want it; and none of that gets associated with the role they’ve done undermining government policy for their masters, and to the detriment of the citizens of the supposedly sovereign nation.

## QUOTES FROM THE BANKERS THEMSELVES

I have two quotes from Westpac and the Aust Bankers Association which will explain banks policy, so that you people understand where the attacks are coming from, and I hope you politicians on your LISTENING tour, actually LISTEN, because all this has been available to you all, and you’ve been in government, and have done nothing about it.

We are here worrying about water entitlements, and water being taken out of the system, but the attack is **MUCH BIGGER** than that, and **water is a huge part of it**. Look very carefully to these two quotes from Australian banking in the early ‘90’s telling us how it works, firstly from **Westpac**:

“In various writings we have also suggested that a distinction has to be made between credit which is fully backed by savings, and credit originating out of thin air, i.e. through the bank’s credit multiplier.

While credit fully backed by savings contributes to the expansion of wealth, credit through the credit multiplier leads to the **dilution of savings and living standards**. We believe that it is **highly unlikely** that banks will quickly revert to the past practices of **reckless expansion of credit out of thin air.”**

Dr Frank Shostak in the Westpac Bank’s *Monthly Market Focus*, April 1992.

[Of course, since then we’ve had the GFC, so of course they recklessly expanded credit again, and they’re doing it yet again now as we hurtle into an economic abyss with what, if properly assessed, is probably three times the “official” inflation rate – and why people are doing it so tough on the back of COVID, and why globally bankruptcies are skyrocketing again.]

And from the **Australian Bankers Association** in their Banking Matters paper “*Money - What it is, how it comes to be*”:

“.....While currency is still the most visible form of money, it **represents only a fraction of the purchasing power** available within the economy.

**This is shock number two:** most of what we understand by “money” does not exist in any form other than as **entries on bank statements or figures in computer printouts**. More than 90 percent of what we know as money is deposits and a substantial proportion of these have been **created by the lending activities of financial institutions**.

....The monetary and financial system survives because of the intangible factor of **CONFIDENCE**. Financial institutions are able to conduct their money creating activities simply because depositors are **confident** they can recover their funds at any time, as with all personal and business relationships based on trust. **So long as this confidence in the financial system holds, there need never be a day of reckoning.”**

Published in “Banking Matters” an information paper prepared by the Australian Bankers Assn., Melbourne. Information paper No 1 titled “Money - What it is, how it comes to be” produced for the Aust Bankers Assn by Garry Bell, Institute of Education, University of Melbourne.

In order to “reset” the economies, they have periods like the “recession we had to have”, and the GFC (Global Financial Crisis), which sees many mum and dad business lose lots of equity, if not their farms and homes, and Wall St crashes where the big boys scoop the pool; where there’s a huge transfer of wealth and where there’s a huge write-off so they can start their credit game again. There won’t be a run on the banks, because as they say, while we remain ignorant of how it works, and legislatively allow banks to create the credit to run our economies because they want to, and they’ve manipulated it, then “**So long as this confidence in the financial system holds, there need never be a day of reckoning.”**

ARE YOU WILLING TO LOSE YOUR ASSETS TO THIS CON?

Are you willing to lose your assets to this **CONFidence** trick when banks have created the money they loaned to you from thin air, at no cost; while your blood, sweat and tears has paid variable principal and interest you can’t really pay, and need not — as we once did with our **Commonwealth Bank** in Australia? We once had ***minimal interest, maximum productivity*** and ***innovation!*** Tax was and is near unnecessary when credit is used to benefit the NATION, as opposed to private greed.

The preferential terms private banks are allowed to operate under allows them to legally steal the fruits of your productivity. *Why should a banking business dictate to your business or family?* Or foreclose because they create a recession? ***There is An Australian precedent. Check it out.***

If you don’t believe that banks plan these things, look back to the US Bankers Association and see what they did in 1893, and 1924, and hopefully, you will get the picture then, particularly in light of the two Australian banking quotes above.

**Evidence of Planned “Spontaneous Events”**

– everyone gets blamed except the banksters, who maintain that it’s “market forces” causing the recession, depression, GFC or inflation etc. Computers now expedite it on a global scale.

**From The US Bankers Assn Confidential Circular – 1893.**

We authorise our loan agents in the western States to loan our funds on real estate, to fall due on September 1st 1894, and at no time thereafter.

On September 1st 1894 we will demand our money - we will foreclose and become mortgagees in possession.

We can take two-thirds of the farms west of the Mississippi and thousands of them east of the great Mississippi as well, at our own price.

We may as well own three-fourths of the farms of the west and the money of the country. Then the farmers will become tenants, as in England.

After September 1<sup>st</sup>, the interest we receive on coupons will be accumulated - we will not lend any of our funds after that date, as we can make more money by withholding our interest income.

**From The US Bankers Assn Magazine in 1924**

**Capital** must protect itself in every possible way, both by combination and **legislation**. Debts must be collected, **mortgages foreclosed as rapidly as possible**.

When, through **process of law** the common **people lose their homes**, they will become **more docile and more easily governed** through the strong arm of **government** applied by a **central power of wealth under leading financiers**.

These truths are well known among our principal men who are now engaged in forming an **imperialism to govern the world**. By dividing the voter through the political party system we can get them to expend their energies in **fighting for questions of no importance**.

It is thus by discrete action we can secure for ourselves that which has been so well planned and so successfully accomplished.

Here we are, fighting for what they see as “*questions of no importance*”, because they already have it wrapped up in the **Water Act**, for global control, and soon to be accomplished finally via **The Voice**, which they are hell-bent on getting through, even if it takes a lot of cheating. Already the **AEC** has been found

wanting, and softly promoting the Yes argument; the electoral roll has increased by 447,447 people since the 2022 federal election, pointing to a fraud in the making. Since the announcement of the referendum date and close of rolls, around 79,000 people were added to the roll, and 376,000 eligible Australians updated their details.

Government has funded the yes camp, not the no camp; polls are showing most people don't want it and will vote NO – which includes a huge number of indigenous people because they are being controlled by the IndigAutocracy, and people are already reporting receiving double the number of postal votes they requested. We are set for a US presidential style cheat right here in Australia, where it is imperative to be successful for the globalists, bankers and big corporates who have all thrown megabucks at the Yes campaign. They need to racially divide us.

## THE SNOWY MOUNTAIN SCHEME TO BOOT!

Currently, our **banks are closing in regional areas**, yet we have legislated to allow them to create money out of thin air at no cost to themselves – by their own admission – and then **steal our productive capacity** by **interest and inflation**, fees, charges and foreclosures. We need to understand this, because they are operating under favourable conditions, legislated by us. Go down to the **Commonwealth Bank in Griffith**, if they're still there and look at **David Byard's tiles** depicting the story of our REAL Commonwealth bank, when we created the credit to run the economy to do things like build rail and roads, and **THE SNOWY MOUNTAIN SCHEME to boot!!!**

Now, all of that has been usurped, our politicians are responsible for it and now it's coming home to roost, such as the **Lima Declaration** and deploying our industries to the third world – experts sent us to China – *and see where that got us!*

It is all linked, **driven by the UN**, and all these attacks on us, **water being a big one** - and a lynch-pin for the WEF's future plans, are planned, and well on the way to being accomplished. Thankfully, there is a huge uprising among ordinary people the world over, who realise they're being manipulated and duped.

## ONLY THE UN AND CANBERRA MATTERS – NOT US!

The UN is the reason that the Senate Committee thought it prudent to **ONLY TAKE SUBMISSIONS IN CANBERRA** – it only benefits the globalists, to the detriment of farmers and secondary industries actually producing the nation's GDP. In fact, there is a concerted effort to destabilise and destroy agriculture, and it's easily provable, beginning with Lima, but always ignored by elected representatives who are supposed to work for us, NOT the globalists. Both sides of politics are to blame.

## TONY BURKE KNEW

**Tony Burke knew** – he said he had a big stick and he'd use it, so in effect, it didn't really matter how many meetings, rallies or submissions we did, they'd do what they wanted anyhow. He was referring to the ability for the Federal government to rule (for the UN) over the States regarding the Water Act, and they certainly wouldn't change it because it was written into the Act, to give the traitors what they wanted most. AND, **“the general purposes of the Water Act and the Basin Plan are”**: (first on the list:) **“to give effect to relevant international agreements”**. EVEN if they are FUTURE, UNKNOWN and as yet **undrafted** International Instruments, designed to give global control. *Tony Burke definitely knew*. I brought it up at a Griffith meeting and he didn't answer – he just smirked. It was later that he said he'd use his “big stick”.

## Impacts of the Water Amendment (Restoring Our Rivers) Act 2023 on NSW Regional Communities

# This Submission ends with this writer's Appraisal of The "Listening Tour" discussing this Amendment

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### BOB HAWKE KNEW

**Bob Hawke knew.** Looking back and knowing about the Great Reset and WEF plans, remember what Bob Hawke said in 1971<sup>9</sup>:

*"I have asserted it proudly. I am a Socialist. I believe that ultimately the people of Australia will be best served when the means of production, distribution and exchange are removed from private ownership and are owned by the people."*

*"..... to this stage, the Australian people have not been prepared to democratically make the decision to have a socialist society."*

I always like to ask, **"Are we there yet?"**

### WE DON'T NEED GOVERNANCE FROM THE UNELECTED UN

- Why should these **unelected people of the UN** and their **corporate mates** have control over you, your **WATER**, your health, your lives and families?
- Why shouldn't our elected representatives **listen to US**, and NOT their friends, the **GLOBALIST CABAL wanting to implement world governance** through the **Great Reset** to our detriment? Coming to Griffith on a "listening tour" may seem noble, but your lot has been in government and you've all voted for this control from outside, and are **party to supporting** the **WEF/WHO pandemic treaty**, the banks, jacking up of interest, kow-towing to globalists etc etc. I've said for many years that the **two major party groups are no different** – it's like going from **here to Sydney via Bathurst or Yass** – you still get to Sydney – **it's just another route**, and the parties are still **screwing the country over** and **blaming someone else**. As the bankers said in 1924: *"By dividing the voter through the political party system we can get them to expend their energies in fighting for questions of no importance."*

Please get some backbone and learn about this UN/WEF/Bankster/globalist agenda to control us all, and **pull out of the UN and it's arms like the WHO quick-smart**.

If you don't do that, you're not working for *"we the people"* – your allegiance lies elsewhere.

*Yours in Saving Australia from the Globalists for All Australians, black, white and brindle!*

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<sup>9</sup> Fin. Review, 1/3/71