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**RE: WATER ALLOCATION IN MURRAY DARLING CATCHMENT** 

I have written previously regarding water allocation on the Warrego River. The two biggest users of water on the Warrego River are Francevilliers and Mowellan. Both of these properties can, without a doubt, sustain major cut backs in their quotas as they have other substantial incomes.

Irrigator 1 has income from Grape farming taking water from the Weir pool. Also run 60-65,000 prime organic lambs, 1000-1500 cattle and a goat farm.

Irrigator 2 flood irrigates 20,000 acres with a salt table 1 metre down. This puts salt pools in the Warrego River System which is affecting fish stocks and wet lands on the National Parks down stream. If farming continues like this, land will turn into salt pans which will be an environmental disaster which may never be reversed. This company also draws an income from one of Queensland's biggest Poultry Farms, they could also sustain serious cuts in their allocations.

These farms in this Shire have not employed one quarter of the people that were employed by the grazing industry.

Yours sincerely,

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