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Dear Sir/Madam

RE: MACQUARIE-CASTLEREAGH REGIONAL WATER STRATEGY SUBMISSION

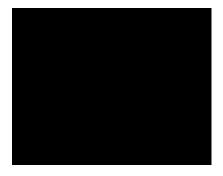
Thank you for the opportunity to participate in the community consultation for the Macquarie-Castlereagh Regional Water Strategy.

I look forward to constructively analysing the full economic, social and environmental cases that form the base case (2022) for the whole complete valleys, top to bottom, so we can establish the benefits achieved by the current management, and future options.

Only when the above analysis has been completed, and has had broad and diverse community consultation so the benefits, costs, subsidisations and externalities¹ have been understood, can the proposed options for the next 40 years be debated in full knowledge that we have the best available information and science to establish that the "Short Listed Actions" options abide by both State and Commonwealth Water Acts, their objectives and principles, and achieve the triple bottom line of economic, social and environmental outcomes that are required today and by 2063.

I would like to be included in the ongoing development of the Regional Water Strategies Community consultation process, especially when 'integrating existing initiatives with new solutions'²

Yours faithfully



¹ As outlined in 'NSW Government guide to Cost-Benefit Analysis' March 2017

² page 109 Draft Regional Water Strategy Oct 22