

Dear Sir/Madam,

our submission is in relation to the Upper Condamine Irrigation Scheme.

We operate an irrigated farm using groundwater, regulated as well as unregulated water from the Condamine river.

Our objection and concern is about the fact that the recommended, fixed, part A charges in the Condamine are significantly above lower bound costs. It is being stated numerous times that the Qld government has set reaching the lower bound cost as a target. Upper Condamine irrigation customers will be paying about double of that lower bound costs.

QCA has to consider social welfare, regional economic development and capacity to pay - needless to say that in this persistent drought irrigators are being pushed to the limit. Every business owner in local towns and communities is feeling the pain and this part A overpayment results in more than \$500K being syphoned out of this area into Sunwaters consolidated revenue. This is not acceptable. Over the last five years our announced allocation was less than 10%. How does this not impact irrigator's capacity to pay.

We are asking QCA to recommend adjusting part A charges in the Upper Condamine/Sandy Creek to lower bound costs for the above reasons.

Regards,

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