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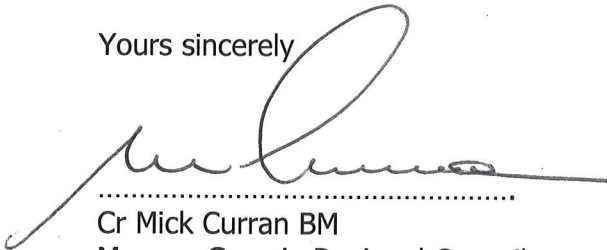
Sunwater Irrigation Pricing Review Submission

WBBROC endorses the LGAQ Submission regarding the apportionment of Dam Safety Costs in relation to the Irrigation Water Pricing review 2019-2024, highlighting in particular, that:


- Dam Safety Upgrade Cost allocation be based on case-by-case assessment of direct and indirect 'impactor and beneficiary' sharing methodology including governments that originally invested into (the) dams to secure the economic outcomes.
- Any (pre-2000) legacy costs arising from revised safety standards to be borne by State government under CSO.
- Consideration of 'Capacity to Pay' be included in consideration of case-by-case circumstances.
- Consideration of the prudence and efficiency of dam safety investment to ensure that limited public dollars are spent on the most effective public safety interventions.

WBBROC appreciates this opportunity to make a further submission to the QCA and looks forward to future opportunities to engage in the review process.


Yours sincerely



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