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Subject: Water management plan

Good morning,

Being a very keen angler in the Macquarie River area around Bathurst/Hill End , I read this water management plan with interest this morning. The plan touches on some great initiatives, so well done there.

My biggest concern, and I believe the most obvious one, is the lack of any requests or initiatives around the building of new dams or increasing the storage capacity of existing infrastructure. You have missed the boat on this and it is the number one concern I hear about from people in fishing clubs and the general population I talk to about this problem!!

What you have planned is all good. However, just beefing up floodplain catchment isn't going to solve the problem if we do have extended droughts, as you are predicting. We need more dams in NSW and we need them NOW. We have just lost the potential for excellent water catchment, now most of this water is heading toward SA and out into the sea. La Niña weather events are not going to happen all the time. We are the driest

country on the planet and yet, we have poor vision around dams and water storage.

Thank you for your time.

Regards,

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