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18/11/2023 14:35	R_3hhFftcXRcAbOxM	Inland Rivers Network			I consent to my name/my organisation's name being shared publicly in the record of submissions

Q5	Q5_5_TEXT	Q5_10_TEXT	Q6	Q7	Q7_6_TEXT
Blowering Reservoir, Snowy Mountains - Destination NSW * What is your main interest in or connection to the NSW Murray and/or Murrumbidgee regions? Select all that apply. - Selected Choice	Blowering Reservoir, Snowy Mountains - Destination NSW * What is your main interest in or connection to the NSW Murray and/or Murrumbidgee regions? Select all that apply. - I represent an interest group (please specify) - Text	Blowering Reservoir, Snowy Mountains - Destination NSW * What is your main interest in or connection to the NSW Murray and/or Murrumbidgee regions? Select all that apply. - Other (please specify) - Text	* Which of the following documents have you read? Select all that apply.	* What are the main reasons you have not read some or all of these documents? Select all that apply - Selected Choice	* What are the main reasons you have not read some or all of these documents? Select all that apply - Other (please specify) - Text
I represent an interest group (please specify), I am interested in water for the environment	Inland Rivers Network		I have read the discussion paper on key challenges for the NSW Murray region, I have read the discussion paper on key challenges for the Murrumbidgee region, I have read the report on the climate and		

			hydrological modelling results for the NSW Murray and Murrumbidgee regions		
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Q8	Q9_1	Q9_2	Q9_3	Q9_4	Q10
* Which of the following documents are you giving feedback on in this survey? Select all that apply	* To what extent do you agree or disagree that these are the key water-related challenges for the NS - Challenge 1: Ensuring resilient water supplies for regional centres, towns and communities in a changing climate	* To what extent do you agree or disagree that these are the key water-related challenges for the NS - Challenge 2: Improving the health and resilience of aquatic and floodplain ecosystems	* To what extent do you agree or disagree that these are the key water-related challenges for the NS - Challenge 3: Addressing barriers to Aboriginal people's water rights and access	* To what extent do you agree or disagree that these are the key water-related challenges for the NS - Challenge 4: Supporting agriculture and emerging industries	Please outline the reasons for your answers to the previous question.
The discussion paper on key challenges for the Murrumbidgee region					

Q11	Q25_Id	Q25_Name	Q25_Size	Q25_Type
Please provide details of any additional water-related challenges for the NSW Murray region that you	If you would like to provide further feedback on the key water-related challenges for the NSW Murray region, please upload a file containing your additional comments below. - ID	If you would like to provide further feedback on the key water-related challenges for the NSW Murray region, please upload a file containing your additional comments below. - Name	If you would like to provide further feedback on the key water-related challenges for the NSW Murray region, please upload a file containing your additional comments below. - Size	If you would like to provide further feedback on the key water-related challenges for the NSW Murray region, please upload a file containing your additional comments below. - Type

Q12_1	Q12_2	Q12_3	Q12_4	Q13
* To what extent do you agree or disagree that these are the key water-related challenges for the Mu - Challenge 1: Ensuring resilient water	* To what extent do you agree or disagree that these are the key water-related challenges for the Mu - Challenge 2: Improving the health and resilience of aquatic and	* To what extent do you agree or disagree that these are the key water-related challenges for the Mu - Challenge 3: Addressing barriers to Aboriginal people's water rights and access	* To what extent do you agree or disagree that these are the key water-related challenges for the Mu - Challenge 4: Supporting agriculture and emerging industries	Please outline the reasons for your answers to the previous question.

supplies for regional centres, towns and communities in a changing climate	floodplain ecosystems			
Agree	Strongly agree	Strongly agree	Agree	<p>1. Water supply for urban areas needs to focus on demand management, purified water recycling, better capture and storage of urban run-off. Predictions of increasing population need to be closely tied to water availability and critical human needs. Australia needs to be stabilising population growth and moving to a circular economy.</p> <p>2. Improving environmental health and resilience is critical for the future of water dependent species, healthy communities, recreation and social and cultural benefits. Species threatened with extinction under current water management scenarios will struggle to maintain populations under climate change. The cascading impacts of species extinction must be better recognised so that future opportunities are not destroyed through carelessness. The Murrumbidgee Region contains significant wetlands and habitats covered by international treaties and agreements. These responsibilities must be met and are required under the Federal Water Act and Basin Plan.</p> <p>3. Aboriginal water rights and access has been a legal requirement under the NSW Water Management Act 2000 that is still outstanding nearly a quarter of a century later. This is reprehensible and must be addressed with great urgency.</p> <p>4. Agriculture and emerging industries need support to move away from wasteful water practices such as flood irrigation. Intensive permanent plantings have caused increased competition for capped water entitlement. The focus on understanding why water use is not to full level of availability must examine the basis of setting water sharing plan limits. We consider that</p>

				they have been set too high and are unachievable within the increasing variability of climate extremes. Long term annual average use is not the best indicator. In wet seasons water entitlement is not used, in dry seasons the water is not available for use.
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Q14	Q26_Id	Q26_Name	Q26_Size	Q26_Type	Q15
Please provide details of any additional water-related challenges for the Murrumbidgee region that y	If you would like to provide further feedback on the key water-related challenges for the Murrumbidgee - ID	If you would like to provide further feedback on the key water-related challenges for the Murrumbidgee - Name	If you would like to provide further feedback on the key water-related challenges for the Murrumbidgee - Size	If you would like to provide further feedback on the key water-related challenges for the Murrumbidgee - Type	<p>Climate and hydrological modelling</p> <p>The climate and hydrological modelling report presents climate and baseline hydrological modelling results under 3 plausible climate scenarios including: historical climate long-term historical climate dry future climate.</p> <p>Presenting these results for the NSW Murray and Murrumbidgee regional water strategies is intended to inform the community's understanding of the range of potential climate challenges the regions' water resources may face into the future.</p> <p>* Do you understand the details of the 3 climate scenarios?</p>
River operation rules need to be more flexible to allow for improved management of environmental watering opportunities. Rules in the					

Murrumbidgee Regulated WSP are too restrictive on use of planned and licenced environmental water. The relaxation of constraints along the Murrumbidgee is a key issue that must be given a high priority. Public investment in acquiring easements and lifting infrastructure will have benefits for landholders and communities in times of natural low to medium flood events. There will never be enough environmental water to produce floods at the level of the 2022-23 La Nina events. Recharge of groundwater sources is another important aspect of improved floodplain inundation. The Murrumbidgee has over committed reliance on groundwater to the detriment of the health of the system and future opportunities.

Q16	Q17	Q17_1_TEXT	Q18	Q18_1_TEXT	Q19
Is there any additional information we could include, or different ways we could present the information	* Do you think the climate scenarios selected are reasonable? - Selected Choice	* Do you think the climate scenarios selected are reasonable? - No (please outline why not) - Text	* Would you like further information on a particular section or result within the climate and hydrological - Selected Choice	* Would you like further information on a particular section or result within the climate and hydrological - Yes (please provide the section heading, page number and reason/s why this information would be helpful to you) - Text	* Do you think any key results within the climate and hydrologically modelling report require further - Selected Choice

Q19_1_TEXT	Q20_Id	Q20_Name	Q20_Size	Q20_Type
* Do you think any key results within the climate and hydrologically modelling report require further - Yes (please provide the section heading, page number and reason/s why further consideration is required) - Text	If you would like to provide further feedback, please upload a file below. - ID	If you would like to provide further feedback, please upload a file below. - Name	If you would like to provide further feedback, please upload a file below. - Size	If you would like to provide further feedback, please upload a file below. - Type

Q21	Q21_6_TEXT	Q21_10_TEXT	Q22	Q23	Q23_1_TEXT
* How did you hear about this survey? - Selected Choice	* How did you hear about this survey? - Social media (please specify channel/s e.g. Facebook, Instagram, LinkedIn) - Text	* How did you hear about this survey? - Other (please specify) - Text	* Do you identify as Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander?	* Speak language other than English at home? - Selected Choice	* Speak language other than English at home? - Yes (please specify below) - Text
Email or e-newsletter from the department			Neither Aboriginal nor Torres Strait Islander	No	