

# **Agricultural Competitiveness Green Paper Submission**

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## **What are the top policies from the Green Paper that the Government should focus on in the White Paper and why?**

I have made my comments known to both Labour and LNP Parties. In my view the lack of irrigation for the drought ridden areas of Australia can be solved reasonably quickly.

1. If you study how the Asian Countries use their land then the answer is simple. Water creates growth which creates income. To see how Asian Countries and especially India use their land is quite amazing. In many parts of India the land would be useless if it weren't for access to water.
2. The rain in the far north that just going out to sea is a crying shame and must be arrested. There is no excuse for not taking action sooner than later. The Govt assistance is great but it will never solve the problem. Access to water is the only answer.
3. The Bradford Report from 1939 was never acted upon but if had been then the rural sector would never be faced with such droughts.
4. The desalination plants are lying idle and could be used to move water to the drought areas.

## **Summary**

As mentioned the answers are quite simple and water must be used in a far better way than it is at the moment. The wet season is close at hand again this year so let's get serious about the drought issues.

Australia would not have ant debt problem if the rural sector was managed in a much more professional manner

## **What policies from the Green Paper don't you support and why?**

## **General Comment**