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To: Have Your Say; GAB Secretariat

Subject: [REDACTED] completed Draft Great Artesian Basin Strategic Management Plan 2018 [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]
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[REDACTED] just submitted the survey 'Draft Great Artesian Basin Strategic Management Plan 2018' with the responses below.

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No Answer

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Would you like to complete the submission online or as a written document?

Complete the submission online

Which interest group (if any) do you primarily identify with? (You may tick more than one box)

Environmental interests

Vision

Do you have any feedback about the Vision?

I am concerned that the wording assumes that SMP will be instituted without concern for precautionary principle

Issues, challenges and opportunities

Do you have any feedback about new or emerging issues, challenges and opportunities?

The Government Scientist has identified CSG projects as meriting concern

Principle 1: Coordinated governance

Tell us what you think about the principle, its objectives and outcomes.

The principle is clearly explained and appropriate Not sure

The objectives of this principle are appropriate Disagree

The outcomes will measure successful achievement of the objectives Strongly disagree

Do you have any other feedback about this principle and/or its objectives and outcomes?

Australia is an island we have government policy encouraging population growth without concern for sustainability. Encouraging non-sustainable industries that have the potential to impact upon GAB is irresponsible

Principle 2: A healthy resource

Tell us what you think about the principle, its objectives and outcomes.

The principle is clearly explained and appropriate Not sure

The objectives of this principle are appropriate Not sure

The outcomes will measure successful achievement of the objectives Strongly disagree

Do you have any other feedback about this principle and/or its objectives and outcomes?

It is plain that an outcome could be catastrophic rather than wait for outcomes more thought should be given to prevention of harm

Principle 3: Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander values, cultural heritage and other community values

Tell us what you think about the principle, its objectives and outcomes.

The principle is clearly explained and appropriate Not sure

The objectives of this principle are appropriate	Not sure
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The outcomes will measure successful achievement of the objectives	Disagree
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Do you have any other feedback about this principle and/or its objectives and outcomes?

Only true representative of indigenous people affected should be sought rather than "cherry-picking" from groups willing to be bought. Again, historically outcomes for indigenous peoples have often been catastrophic "outcome" is the wrong indicator since it is AFTER the fact

Principle 4: Secure and managed access

Tell us what you think about the principle, its objectives and outcomes.

The principle is clearly explained and appropriate	Disagree
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The objectives of this principle are appropriate	Disagree
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The outcomes will measure successful achievement of the objectives	Disagree
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Do you have any other feedback about this principle and/or its objectives and outcomes?

The assumption is made that currently economically beneficial industries should be encouraged rather than looking for sustainability

Principle 5: Judicious use

Tell us what you think about the principle, its objectives and outcomes.

The principle is clearly explained and appropriate	Disagree
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The objectives of this principle are appropriate	Disagree
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The outcomes will measure successful achievement of the objectives	Disagree
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Do you have any other feedback about this principle and/or its objectives and outcomes?

As above it is not "judicious" to risk the future viability of GAB

Principle 6: Information, knowledge and understanding for good management

Tell us what you think about the principle, its objectives and outcomes.

The principle is clearly explained and appropriate	Disagree
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The objectives of this principle are appropriate	Disagree
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The outcomes will measure successful achievement of the objectives	Disagree
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Do you have any other feedback about this principle and/or its objectives and outcomes?

It is plain that risk is not taken seriously. Describing GAB as a "finite" resource illustrates the cavalier attitude to future generations

Principle 7: Information management, communication and education

Tell us what you think about the principle, its objectives and outcomes.

The principle is clearly explained and appropriate	Disagree
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The objectives of this principle are appropriate	Disagree
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The outcomes will measure successful achievement of the objectives	Disagree
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Do you have any other feedback about this principle and/or its objectives and outcomes?

There are numerous examples (particularly in mining) of where overly optimistic and often untruthful EIS's have been allowed to override caution

Implementation

Do you have any feedback about the implementation section of the draft Plan 2018?

No Answer

Additional feedback

Do you think the principles, objectives and outcomes provides the necessary framework to guide the actions of governments, traditional owners, water users and other interests to achieve continued improvement in the management of the Basin?

Too much emphasis on economic return not enough on inter-generational equity

Is there anything else you want to tell us about the management of the Great Artesian Basin?

Australian water resources are precious Australia is an island. changing climate is already impacting agricultural needs we cannot afford to put at risk such a major water source

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Contacting you

Can we contact you about future activities and projects relating to the Great Artesian Basin Strategic Management Plan 2018?

Yes

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