



24 May 2016

Department of Environment & Planning
Area 1, Level 1
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Dubbo NSW 2830

Dear Sir / Madam,

Re: Draft Riverina Regional Plan

This is a submission to the Draft Riverina Regional Plan. I have to comment that this draft Plan is not nearly as well developed as the adjoining draft Plan for the Central West and Orana.

I therefore submit that the framers of the Plan consider the Draft Central Western and Orana Region Plan and investigate many of the issues that have been considered in that adjoining plan. For example, issues such as:

- mining vs agriculture or horticulture
- issues such as water storage and potential dam location to drought proof the region
- Issues such as irrigation land, both existing and potential issues such as the preservation of prime agricultural land, both as it exists and where it is located for future generations.

There will be many more.

One of the issues that particularly concerns me, as a Life Fellow of the Australian Planning Institute, and someone who has worked on the urban growth of Griffith in the past, is to ensure that the original principles of Walter Burley Griffin for the town are not destroyed by inappropriate planning and subdivision.

Thank you for the opportunity to make this submission, which I have found quite frustrating because of the lack of information in the Draft Plan.

Sincerely

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