

What a tragic time for the Barmah the last 5 months. Parks Vic, VEWB ,MDBA Have all contributed to this recent disaster. They're forcing slow agonising deaths. Horses are being found that have literally dug trenches as they're struggling to get up in their emaciated state and dying with their muzzles full of dirt as their heads thrash the ground for their last breath. All because so much of their usual feeding ground was taken away with the excessive flooding.

The Barmah is a unique place that is often on the list of many to go to and enjoy the worlds biggest river gum forest , the wildlife and the brumbies. It has been a park of death , decay and stench of rotting carcasses from the last flooding . So much is flooded by the environmental flooding forcing all park animals into approx 10% of drought affected area, there's no feed. Roos emus along with brumbies are out on the lawns of locals looking for feed. Even under RAMSAR it states that the time it was flooded was totally incorrect. So why was it done and for so long.

It is not a destination for anyone to go to.

It's said that consultation is sought , but did anyone bother to consider the animals in this park and how they would be impacted ?

All stakeholders must be included, such as the Barmah Brumby Preservation Group- this was not done.

So my view of the plan is that it fails to recognise the risks associated with extensive flooding to the animals within the park.

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