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To: <u>eia consult</u>

**Subject:** Singleton Horticulture Project

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Submission contents:

Dear Environmental Impact Authority,

I am greatly concerned by the proposed development by Fortune of Singleton Station to be developed into "3,300 hectares of <u>intensive irrigated</u> horticulture with shared support infrastructure to create one of the largest such fruit and vegetable developments in Australia" (https://www.fortuneagri.com/)

Fortunes own report and modelling expect the ground water table to drop 50 meters in places which will have <u>significant and likely irreparable impact</u> on the GroundWater Affected EcoSystems which include many (at least 40) sites of significance to the local Aboriginal Community and therefore the whole Australian Community.

While Fortune can walk away from any mistakes made the county and community will have to live with the impacts for any miscalculation forever.

Fortune are so heavily invested in this project that they can not be expected to produce unbiased reports and this project seems a perfect applicant for the highest level of approval process by the EPA. I hope that you see fit to recommend the project for Assessment by Environmental Impact Statement.