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I am a resident of the NT and am blown away by this water allocation. It threatens life and the environment for all Territorians. If this allocation goes ahead, it poses risk of serious, irreversible environmental harm including to groundwater dependent ecosystems, sacred sites, habitat for threatened species.

We are already undergoing ecosystem collapse from the impacts of agriculture and climate change. This reckless water allocation, as well as the land clearing it requires, will further threaten these at-risk ecosystems that will be essential to the survival of all life in the years to come.

In the words of two eminent water and environment lawyers regarding water allocation in the NT:
"You must get all these controls in place before you give away one drop of water. You cannot afford to let cotton in before you have the regulatory framework. There is a reason why the industry wants to come here"

"The NT has the poorest water laws in the country. I've worked in water for 20 years, I've never seen a licence approaching this size."

Territorians are scared about what this allocation means for our future. The government will leave a legacy of profit before people and environmental destruction.

I beg you to reconsider this water allocation and strengthen our water laws before embarking on such a licence.

Yours sincerely,
Maud Mussared

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