



NSW IRRIGATORS' COUNCIL  
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**LACHLAN VALLEY FIXED CHARGES RELIEF**

Speaking from the MDBA peak bodies forum in Canberra, NSW Irrigators' Council Chair Colin Thomson, said "It was the right thing to do" when asked about the NSW Government decision to waive fixed charges in the Lachlan.

The NSW Irrigators' Council has lobbied for years to achieve this outcome and congratulates the NSW Government for finally choosing to assist Lachlan Irrigators. The Lachlan is in a desperate situation having received zero allocation for 6 out of 7 years and an accumulated total of 22% over the last nine years. They are not the only Irrigators facing extremely hard times and NSW Irrigators Council would like to see the same consideration given to other Irrigators even though they don't meet the new three year zero allocation guideline.

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