



Buybacks stopped · freight rail Melb–Syd–Bris · water pipeline · abattoir access · canola processed here · Farmers First legislated

DAY 1

Buybacks moratorium
Independent review

3–5¢

Per tonne/km freight
vs 12–15¢ diesel road

6¢

Per kWh farm power
SBC maturity

30K GL

Water/yr north→south
Murray-Darling restored

THE PROBLEM — THREE FAILURES HITTING FARMERS HARDEST

ABATTOIRS, WATER & DEBT

Six abattoirs closed service kills in four months.
Labor buybacks expanded into the northern Basin
Feb 2026. Farm debt grew from \$100B to \$140B
in four years. Farmers are borrowing to survive,

NO FREIGHT RAIL — ALL DIESEL ROAD

Farrer grain, wool and cattle move to port by
diesel road at 12–15c/tonne/km. No electrified
freight rail on the east coast. No inland spine.
Every tonne exported costs more than it should —

TRADE BETRAYAL — MARKETS WEAPONISE

AUKUS alignment cost farmers billions in China
sanctions. The EU FTA was called the worst-ever
deal by the NFF. Sheepmeat access a fraction of
what NZ received. Our largest trading partners

THE MMP SOLUTION — FARMERS FIRST — NOT LAST

ELECTRIFIED FREIGHT RAIL —
MELB–SYD–BRIS

SBC Phase 0 runs three electrified freight tracks
inland from Melbourne to Brisbane via
Albury-Wodonga, Wagga Wagga, and the Hunter
Valley. Farrer grain, wool, and cattle to port at
3–5c/tonne/km — 70% cheaper than diesel road.
The first electrified freight network in Australian
history, running through the heart of Farrer.

THE NATIONAL LINK — CONTINENTAL
CORRIDOR

SBC#1 extends the inland spine from Brisbane to
Perth — directly through Farrer. Every farm within
50km of the corridor connects to the national
freight network. Grain from Hay to Fremantle.
Cattle from Wentworth to Brisbane. Water piped
south from the Alice Hub. Power at 6c/kWh to
every farm gate. The continental corridor makes

MAGLEV PASSENGER LINK — ALBURY
2HRS TO SYDNEY

The SBC maglev runs alongside the freight
corridor. Albury-Wodonga to Sydney in 2 hours.
Wagga to Sydney in 90 minutes. Albury to
Melbourne in 2 hours. For the first time, living and
farming in Farrer doesn't mean being
disconnected from the cities that buy what farmers
grow. Regional workforce, regional healthcare,

WATER PIPELINE — BUYBACKS STOPPED
DAY 1

A moratorium on Commonwealth buybacks is
declared Day 1. New water from the Alice Hub —
30,000GL/yr from the monsoon north, gravity-fed
south to the Murray-Darling. New water, never
taken from a farmer. The water wars end by
addition, not rationing. Farrer irrigators on the
Murrumbidgee and Murray get spur connections.

ABATTOIR ACCESS — SERVICE KILLS
RESTORED

MMP legislates a right of access to abattoir
service kills for small and medium livestock
farmers. Corporate abattoir operators above a
threshold size are required to maintain minimum
service kill capacity as a condition of operation.
Six closures in four months cannot happen again.

FARMERS FIRST — LEGISLATED
GOVERNING PRINCIPLE

Every federal decision affecting agricultural land,
water, trade, or inputs is tested against one
standard: does it put Australian farmers first?
MMP legislates Farmers First as the governing
principle for the Agriculture Department. Not a
slogan. A standard that every bureaucrat,
minister, and trade negotiator must meet.

NEUTRALITY — NO MORE TRADE
WEAPONISATION

The China sanctions happened because Australia
became a US proxy through AUKUS. Under MMP,
strategic neutrality means no trade partner can
close our agricultural markets for political reasons.
25% concentration rule: no single country takes
more than 25% of any major commodity export.
Diversification is sovereignty.

BIOFUELS — CANOLA STAYS IN
AUSTRALIA

Australia exports \$5.76B worth of canola seed
annually — mostly to Europe to be processed into
biodiesel. That ends. MMP fast-tracks biodiesel
processing to maximum domestic production.
Canola processed in Australia replaces imported
diesel. Farmers get a domestic premium market.
Australia gets fuel sovereignty.

FREIGHT COST COLLAPSE — THE
COMPOUND EFFECT

Cheap power + cheap freight + water south + fast
approvals = the biggest structural improvement in
Australian farm economics in a generation. A
Farrer wheat grower moving 1,000t to port saves
\$70–120K/yr on freight alone at SBC rail rates.
Multiply that by every Farrer producer and the
economic transformation is permanent.

SUPERMARKETS — ACCC WITH REAL
TEETH

The ACCC is given real divestiture powers to
break supermarket price gouging. Mandatory code
of conduct — binding, with financial penalties.
Farmers receive itemised payment statements
showing every margin taken. Contracts cannot be
terminated without 90 days notice. 30-day
payment terms enforced.

FUEL — PERMANENT CREDITS + 90-DAY
RESERVE

Fuel tax credits legislated permanently — not
subject to annual budget review. The uncertainty
ends. A 90-day national fuel reserve reduces price
volatility for farming operations. Australian crude,
processed in Australia, stored in Australia.
Farming fuel costs fall as the sovereign supply
chain is rebuilt.

BIOSECURITY — ONE COMMAND, FUNDED
FOR THE RISK

Australian biosecurity is underfunded and split
across too many agencies. MMP consolidates
biosecurity under a single national command
within 12 months. Pre-border surveillance
doubled. FMD, Varroa, Khapra beetle — the
threats at the door are real. One command. One
budget. One response.

CURRENT FAILURE vs MMP FIX — FARMERS FIRST, NOT LAST

CURRENT — THE FAILURE	MMP — THE FIX
No electrified freight rail on east coast. Diesel road: 12–15c/tonne/km.	SBC Phase 0: three electrified freight tracks inland Melb–Syd–Bris. 3–5c/tonne/km.
No inland freight spine. Every tonne to port goes via diesel road.	SBC#1 inland corridor Bris–Perth through Farrer. Continental freight network.
Albury to Sydney: 5hrs 55min by train. Shares track with freight. Both wait.	SBC maglev: Albury to Sydney 2 hours. Albury to Melbourne 2 hours.
Labor buybacks expanded into northern Basin Feb 2026. No warning.	Moratorium on buybacks Day 1. Independent review. Farmer Water Advocate.
Murray-Darling declining. Northern monsoon water runs into the sea.	Alice Hub: 30,000GL/yr north→south. New water, never taken from a farmer.
6 abattoirs stopped service kills in 4 months. Small farmers locked out.	Service kill access legislated. Corporate abattoirs required to maintain capacity.
AUKUS alignment cost farmers billions. China sanctions. Markets weaponised.	Strategic neutrality. No partner can close our markets for political reasons.
EU FTA: worst-ever deal per NFF. Sheepmeat access fraction of NZ.	Farmers First standard: reciprocal or not signed. EU FTA reviewed Day 1.
\$5.76B canola exported as raw seed. Europe makes the diesel, not us.	Biofuels fast-tracked. Canola processed here. Replaces imported diesel.
Supermarkets: ACCC no real power. Farm gate price squeezed every year.	ACCC divestiture powers. Mandatory code. Itemised margins. 30-day payment.

"Australian agriculture feeds 75 million people. It is not a sunset industry to be managed down — it is the sovereign foundation of everything Australia eats, drinks, and exports. The SBC inland corridor is the freight rail, the water pipeline, and the power line that farming has needed for a generation. Farmers First is not a slogan. It is the governing principle." — MMP Federal Platform

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