



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 12–15¢/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 3–5¢/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 6¢/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

★ VOTE 1 — BRETT MURRELL — FARRER — SATURDAY 9 MAY 2026 ★

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