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Please find below the responses for the plan for Peel Valley Water Sources 2010 for Daruka Number 4 Water Users Association.

I hope this answers the questions satisfactorily, as we were not completely sure if we were answering them in the correct way.

1. To what extent do you feel the plan has contributed to social outcomes?

The community works together to make decisions regarding the water use. We hold regular committee meetings and regular users meetings to discuss issues arising. This has helped to create a community group who help and support each other. The core committee are called upon to deal with small issues and help with the users and this creates a bond between the group. The group is cohesive and always willing to help each other.

2. To what extent do you feel the plan has contributed to environmental outcomes?

The group is always aware of the environmental impact. We have enforced water restrictions over the past 9 months so as to preserve the stores we currently have. There were no indications that water restrictions were needed but the group decided it would be best to help preserve our water so as not to put unnecessary strain on the resources we do have. In light of the current drought conditions and the lack of forecasted rain in the near future and the fact that the nearby community of Tamworth has put in place some fairly strict restrictions, we decided it would not go astray to put in light restrictions.

3. To what extent do you feel the plan has contributed to economic outcomes.

The water users pay an amount of fees that contribute to the running of the association. Those fees go towards the upkeep of the association and therefore goes back into the community for the services that we pay for within the local community. This creates work for local businesses such as people who supply pumps, plumbing, electricians, etc.

4. To what extent do you feel the plan has contributed to meeting its objectives.

The Daruka Number 4 Water Users Association services the community well and provides excellent service to the members. The group is successful in providing the needed resources to the community group.

5. What changes do you feel are needed to the water sharing plan to improve outcomes?

Our group believes the plan is running smoothly and effeciently and really does not need any great changes.