RAMJO Submission Appendix A - Example of socio-economic impacts (source Speak Up group)

The Murray Valley is one of the most severely impacted regions from the implementation of the Basin Plan, this is confirmed through independent and MDBA reports. For example :-

An independent report by RMCG has shown that the Murray Valley has had

- A decrease in farm gate production flows onto another \$77 million loss in value add.
- A loss of a total of 678 jobs, with 471 lost in the contraction of irrigation itself and a further 207 lost due to flow-on effects.
- This represents \$21 million in lost salaries across the region

While the MDBA have reported the following findings

- Berrigan Finley
 - Decrease in irrigation related employment by 35.4% (FTE)
 - o Decrease in agricultural manufacturing employment by 32.1% (FTE)
- Wakool
 - o Decrease in irrigation related employment by 71.8% (FTE)
 - Decrease in agricultural manufacturing employment by 44% (FTE)
 - Decrease in population 45.6%
- Deniliquin
 - o Decrease in irrigation related employment by 73.1% (FTE)
 - O Decrease in non agricultural employment by 16.7% (FTE)
 - Decrease in population 12.2%