

## **Burning Australia: The Dumb and Deliberate Drying Out of Australia, Creation of Drought and Bushfires, and Moving People Out Of, and Big Corporations Into, Rural Australia**

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As terrible as the drought and bushfires in Australia are, the truth that they have been largely caused through years of governmental and corporate mismanagement, corruption, criminal behaviour, and immorality is even more terrible. This paper pulls together information from a number of mainstream and alternative media and investigative sources to provide an overall picture of how the unfolding drought and bushfire tragedy in our beautiful country has been brought about through the stupidity, corruption, criminal behaviour and moral degeneracy of Australian politicians, bureaucrats and institutions, often in collusion with big corporations and behind them, big banks. Initially, ten interrelated areas bearing on the drought and the bushfires, and involving governmental and corporate stupidity, corruption, criminality and immorality are considered. As I proceed a theme will become increasingly clear: that underlying all of this deplorable activity there is a *deliberate* agenda and attempt to move smaller farmers and irrigators, and more generally, Australian residents out of rural areas, and simultaneously, to give control over rural areas and resources, not least of all our water and food, to the government, but more so, the big corporations. An analysis of this theme and policy will be taken up specifically in the latter part of this paper.

**1) Fracking and Mining are Depriving Australians of Water.** The Great Artesian Basin (GAB) is an underground water system located mainly in Queensland and northern South Australia and New South Wales. It covers some 1,700,000 square kilometres or 22% of the continent. [7]. The GAB is gradually being drained and thus no longer adequately supplying the aquifers which supply springs, seeps, creeks and rivers along the east coast of Australia, consequently these areas are progressively drying out. As the Australian researcher Max Igan highlights, the aquifers need water pressure from a sufficiently full GAB to in turn feed the springs, seeps, creeks and rivers. This water supply is, in turn, needed for lush trees and forest which, in turn, attract rain; but this fundamental water cycle is being broken by draining the GAB. [1;3].

The Basin is primarily filled by monsoon rains across the north of Australia each year, which never fail. [3]. So why is the Basin being drained? The two great offenders here are mining and more recently coal seam gas mining or what is commonly called fracking. For example, the Olympic Dam mine in South Australia is allowed to extract 42 million litres of water per day from the GAB. [7]. More recently, the Queensland Environment Minister, Susan Ley has allowed Adani to take 12.5 billion litres of water without scrutiny, for its coal mine, *despite 66.1% of Queensland being drought declared*. [2].

In 2011 the ABC's *Four Corners* program did an expose on coal seam gas mining entitled *The Gas Rush*. It gave the following basic explanation of coal seam gas mining or fracking. It is process where a well is sunk down 300 to 1,200 meters through water aquifers to underlying shale coal beds where gas is trapped under water pressure. Water is then pumped to the surface to release the water pressure which allows the gas to be released to the surface. Fracking, specifically, is where a mixture of sand, water and chemicals are pumped down into the well to cause explosions to crack open the coal seams and keep them open to allow the gas to escape and flow upwards. [8].

To-date, there are some 43,000 coal seam gas or fracking wells throughout all states in Australia, with plans for many more. Many of them are located in vital water catchment areas such as the GAB and also vital food growing areas. Each well uses between 1.6 and 16 million litres of water. Much of this water comes from the GAB. This water also comes from rivers and private dams; water which would otherwise have been used by farmer and irrigators, or to some extent have found its way into the GAB. In addition, fracking is releasing toxic chemicals into the GAB: lead, arsenic, boron, uranium, nickel, barium and aluminium have all been found at toxic levels. [1; 6; 7]. The previously mentioned expose, *The Gas Rush*, revealed that of the 23 chemicals used in fracking, the safety of *only two* have been assessed by the Australia's national regulatory body on the use of industrial chemicals, and these two have not been assessed as part of fracking fluid. Further, the so-called safety data sheets for the various chemicals used in fracking—presented to the

Queensland Government by the Queensland Gas Company in their applications for the fracking wells—have clearly been shown to be incomplete, out of date, and foreign. And yet, the coordinator general and/or the environmental protection authority in Queensland *allowed* these marred applications to proceed. That, I would say, appears to be not merely gross negligence but *corruption*. An estimated 40% of the chemicals used in fracking will remain in the coal seam and may move into ground water. [8]. Only 30-50% of the toxic water pumped into fracking wells is typically recovered from a well; at least some of the other half of this toxic cocktail (left underground) makes its way back into the water supply. [33; 34; 35].

The Four Corners expose, drawing on particular examples, also revealed how farmers are being effectively forced off their land by the gas companies who, in various ways, make farming impossible by a combination progressively appropriating land for more and more gas wells, by lowering the water table on the property making it unusable, by polluting ground water with chemicals, by restricting access to land, by building structures which stop the free flow of water over the land, and by leaving behind wells and water bodies emitting flammable methane gas. Not surprisingly, the gas companies are deceitful in the tactics they use to gain the cooperation of farmers and to subsequently expand their operations once they have a foot in the door. Not surprisingly, Queensland Gas Company, the major company focused upon in the expose, declined to be interviewed by *Four Corners*. [8].

Australia is drowning in natural gas which can be extracted through normal—non-fracking—methods. From a supply standpoint, there is absolutely no need for fracking which is a relatively *costly* method of extraction—no need that is except for gas major companies to make even more money from exports. Australia is the second biggest exporter of natural gas. These exports have tripled since 2014 but the domestic price of gas has tripled at the same time! The exception here is Western Australia which reserves some of its gas for domestic use and has lower gas prices. As the independent Australia journalist Michael West reports, in Australia gas is extracted by a small *cartel* of companies—Santos, Origin Energy, Shell, Exxon/BHP and Chevron—and then sold at a profit to the highest bidders. These companies pay little or no tax here in Australia. For example, Exxon, Chevron, Mobil, Shell, Santos and Energy Australia paid no tax in Australia in 2017-8. Some of these companies have paid no tax in Australia for years, for example, Exxon has paid no tax on \$42.3 billion in revenue in five years. In short, these companies steal our gas and then give nothing back to Australia except comparatively few jobs—an estimated 23,000 (in 2013) for the entire gas industry. (The tourism industry in Australia is projected to soon employ almost a million people.) This figure of 23,000 jobs must also be offset by the number of businesses in Australia which are *closing down due to exorbitant gas prices*. [19; 20]. These gas companies, mainly multinationals, are basically pillaging Australia with government cooperation, and at the expense of most Australians. Obviously, this is a morally corrupt practice.

In sum, the Great Artesian Basin, which feeds the river systems along the east coast of Australia, is being drained primarily by mining and fracking operations. The areas supplied by these river systems are therefore drying out. More fundamentally, the water cycle in these areas is being interrupted—something which will lead to less rainfall in the future. At the same time the GAB is being poisoned with toxic chemicals used in the fracking process, something which makes its water locally, and perhaps in time generally, unusable for agricultural purposes. This is happening in other places around Australia. Simultaneously, farmers are being effectively forced off their land by coal seam gas companies whose operations make farming increasingly unviable. This is all being facilitated by Australian governments and, it appears, through government corruption where government agencies are *not* assessing the safety of the toxic chemicals used in fracking, and deliberately turning a blind eye to the glaring deficiencies in the safety applications for the chemicals used in fracking wells, and also to the safe building and management of these wells.

**2) Illegally Built Private Dams are Depriving Australians of Water.** There have been no public dams built in NSW since 1987. [14]. Most of the dams which have been built in Australia in recent times have been mainly in Tasmania. The broadcaster Alan Jones notes that there has been less than a three percent increase in public water storage in Australia since 1990, despite the massive increase in population in the same period. [12]. But, many massive *private* dams for mining and huge agribusinesses have been and are

being built. The Australian Institute reported that some 20 to 30 massive private dams have been built in the Murray-Darling Basin alone. These dams are being built *with tax payers' money*, where two such dams have cost an estimated \$30 million dollars. Maryanne Slattery of the Institute stated 'These dams do nothing for drought-stricken communities, the health of the river or struggling farmers. These dams have been built on private land and are for the exclusive use of corporate agribusiness.... Politicians are reluctant to talk about why millions of tax payers' dollars have been spent subsidising dams that make the problems of the Murray Darling worse.' These dams are designed to divert normal irrigation water and what is called supplementary water (surplus to consumption needs), therefore they do *not* add to the water captured in the Basin. Further, the dams are relatively small and shallow which increases evaporation and thus water wastage. [9; 1; 2].

Along with other practices, such as water harvesting and opening the sale of Australia's water to the *private* market, including foreign ownership—subjects covered below—private dams are simultaneously, draining parts of the Murray-Darling Basin such as the lower Darling, depriving smaller farmers and irrigators of water, depriving towns of water, and more generally, *creating or exacerbating* drought conditions in areas of the Basin. Max Igan points out that the governments' practice of building private dams, and selling the water to big companies to fill these dams, is in clear breach of section 100 of the Australian Constitution which states: '**The Commonwealth shall not by any law, or regulation of trade or commerce, abridge the right of a state or of the residents to the reasonable use of waters of rivers for conservation or irrigation.**' Clearly people are being deprived of water, whole towns in fact, and so, these private dams are illegal and any government in building and allowing them is committing a criminal act. [1; 2; 3; 4; 5; 6].

**3) Illegal Flood Plain Harvesting Is Depriving Australians of Water.** Rivers naturally flood from time to time, particularly over adjacent low-lying plains or flood plains. In the upper reaches of the Murray-Darling Basin flood plain harvesting is occurring. As we will see, 'harvesting' is a euphemism: it is the actually the plundering of water. Flood plain harvesting is where the trees in the flood plain areas are removed and then embankments between the river and the flood plain are built. This means that when the rivers flood into the flood plain the water will not flow back into the river. Instead, it is trapped and used.

Floodplain harvesting is mainly an activity conducted by big private agribusinesses. Among the biggest water harvesters (or plunderers) in the Murray-Darling are the cotton growers. Cotton growing is a very water intensive practice which probably has no place in Australia. The biggest cotton grower is the now infamous Cubbie Station. Cubbie Station is 93,000 hectares in area, so big that it takes 20 minutes to fly over it by small plane, and has irrigation channels up to 75 kilometres long. It is Cubbie Station and businesses like it, in the context of the farcical Murray Darling Basin Plan—discussed shortly—which are in preventing water from flowing into areas of the Murray-Darling Basin such as the lower reaches of the Darling River. Some 1,500 km of the Darling is now dry, this year causing massive fish kills and the killing of other aquatic life. [10]. Again, we must ask: 'Is the granting of water licenses i.e. selling water to these major agricultural companies for flood plain harvesting, which deprives farmers, irrigators, towns and the river itself of water, illegal under section 100 of the constitution? I would say so—certainly it is morally corrupt to be using water in this seriously damaging way.

**4) The Illegal Privatisation and Selling of Our Water, Including to Foreign Companies.** The Register of Foreign Ownership of Water and Agricultural Land Act 2015 was introduced to increase transparency of foreign ownership in Australia. From the 1st July 2017 foreigners are now required to register their interests in water entitlements and contractual water rights with the Australian Taxation Office. The first report based on this new Register was released in 2018. It revealed that foreign ownership of Australian water is now at 10.4% with 1.95% owned by the US and China. This includes a spike of over 25% of all water entitlements in Western Australia. One out of ten entitlements are now foreign owned. The Register of Foreign Ownership of Water Entitlements describes that of the 4,035 gegalitres held by foreign investors, more than 1,800 gegalitres of foreign-held water entitlements are inside of the Murray-Darling Basin. This is 9.4 per cent of the total Murray-Darling Basin water entitlement available. [11]. Cubbie Station has been discussed—it is mainly Chinese owned. Canada increased its stake in Australian farms by five times in

2018. [13]. Basically, foreign ownership of Australian water is a problem because Australian's lose control over their own water, and with this, lose control of their food supply.

But foreign ownership of Australian water is part of a much bigger problem: the privatisation of Australian water where it is sold to the highest bidders with the most money—something which favours big agribusiness and mining companies at the expense of smaller Australian farmers and irrigators, and also, rural towns. Under the National Water Initiative in 2004, and The Water Act 2007, entities are now able to own water rights even when they have no connection to or own no land. This separation occurred earlier in NSW with the Carr government introducing the Water Management Act in 2000. Why was this done? Basically, so big investors or corporations with lots of money could move in and buy up water, and also sell water at the highest prices. For example, Duxton Water owns enough water to fill the Woronora Dam, 44 billion litres, and yet does not own any land. The stated purpose of this company is to generate profit from selling water. [12]. One foreseeable and *obvious* consequence of the privatisation of water would be that the costs for water would rise sharply and smaller farmers and irrigators with less money would be pushed out of the market and thus off the land. Accordingly, since the implementation of the Water Act 2007 by the Murray-Darling Basin Authority, the price of water has skyrocketed up to 700% to the point that many farmers simply can't afford it. [18]. Accordingly, we find that in the Barwon-Darling system of the 158 licence holders just 10% control 86% of the water extracted, and that just four control 75% of the water. [40]. Without too much fear of contradiction we can be certain that the number of irrigators here and in other places in Australia will shrink as the big irrigators continue to buy up water. But, not only will smaller farmers and irrigators miss out, but so too will Australian residents and towns as big agribusinesses suck out more and more of the water. Here is blatant example of what I mean. A Singaporean company, Olam, is currently (January, 2020) in the process of selling, 89,085 megalitres of its permanent water rights, for \$490 million to a Canadian pension fund; and this occurring as Australian farmers, towns and residents are facing the *harshest ever* water restrictions.

There are some further ugly aspects to the privatisation of our water. Helen Dalton MP was recently elected to represent the electorate of Murray in western NSW. It covers a vast area the size of Tasmania. Dalton campaigned largely on the issue of water rights. In doing so, she easily took the seat from the Nationals with a massive 22% swing. Helen comes from a farming family. In her maiden speech to Parliament she stated: 'The water market [in Australia] is an unregulated disgrace. We know there are people who have an interest in keeping water scarce and prices high and are making millions off the misery of drought-stricken farmers.' [12]. So, in the interest of making money, water is being deliberately held and made scarce to drive up prices—in accord with free-market principles and 'ethics'. Thus, again, people will be deprived of water: farmers, irrigators, residents, towns.

Second, many politicians are involved in this water trading, both as government officials and as private individuals, and yet politicians at both the state and federal levels are *not* required to disclose any water rights which they hold. Indeed, there has been no state or federal bill introduced to compel politicians to disclose water rights for ten years. [12; 4]. Politicians are officially involved in water trading as part of the Murray Darling Basin Plan run by the The Murray Darling Basin Authority (MDBA) which was created under the Water Act of 2007. Under this authority the government is busy buying back water rights from farmers and irrigators who have their backs to the wall. The buyback is projected to be \$13 billion and involve depriving irrigators of 1,300 gegalitres or water, equivalent to three Sydney Harbours. [12]. Incidentally, Turnbull was the Minister for Water and the Environment under the Howard Government in 2007 and was instrumental in the passing of Water Act of 2007. [18]. So, politicians are involved in this official water buy back process and yet do not have to disclose their water interests. It gets worse. Some of the water trading or buy back by governments and politicians are not transparent or disclosed to the public. Is this a problem? Can we trust politicians? What follows is an example of one government water buy back, and you can decide for yourself whether politicians need to be disclosing water rights and whether water

trading needs to be transparent. This example is concisely and clearly covered in the video entitled *Federal MP Angus Taylor and the \$80 Million Water Deal On The Project*. [38].

In 2017 the government negotiated two buy backs of water from two companies, Kia Ora and Clyde—large cotton enterprises. These companies are owned by Eastern Australia Agriculture (EAA). The government bought the water at around \$80 million—a record price for a buy back. EAA made a profit of \$52 million, for earlier in 2016 EAA was asking just \$27.8 million for this water buy back. In paying \$80 million for the buy back, the government was paying 85% *above* the price for similar buy backs. The buy back, signed off by the then Minister for Water, Barnaby Joyce, went against departmental advice. EAA in turn was wholly owned, until 2019, by a parent company in the Camen Islands called Eastern Australia Irrigation (EAI). It had made loans to EAA at the enormous rate of 20% interest. As a result, EAI seems to have pocketed about \$14 million in interest from its dealings with EAA in 2018 alone—loans and rates EAA could easily deal with by getting such a good water buy back deal from the government. But, was the government getting value for money from its water buy back? Not at all. The water rights it bought back were not rights to water which Kia Ora and Clyde could extract *directly* from the river; such rights would have meant that the government could extract the water at any time and at any place along the river. Instead, the water rights which the government bought back were to *overflow* water. Overflow water is water that comes onto a property when the river is in flood. First, the river does not often flood and so in non-flood years there will be no water for the government. Second, the government only gets what water is allowed to flow back into the river from the two properties after a flood. How much will this be and, related, who is doing the measuring? Third, when the water has flowed back into the river other irrigators may legally get it as it moves down stream to flood their properties. In short, the government will be getting little or no water for its \$80 million—no wonder the department advised against the water buy back for at least one property. If you believe that no government could be this incompetent, you're probably right, because *corruption* might well be the issue. The Minister for Energy, Angus Taylor, was the secretary and director of EAA but stepped down in 2009. But, also, he was cofounder and director of EAI (in the Camen Islands) since 2007! Now, the question that journalists are asking Taylor is 'Are you *still* the director of EAI and if not, *when* did you renounce this role?' It gets worse: the whole water buy back was a negotiated buy back which meant it was done in secret with no public disclosure. When the relevant documents were finally secured by the politician Rex Patrick, they were heavily redacted. Why? [38; 39]. Does all of this stink of corruption to you? Just asking.

Finally, there is a further and even more sinister aspect to the private selling of water in Australia: it is quite clear that *Australian farmers and companies are being deliberately ousted from ownership of Australian land, water and businesses by politicians*. I will come back to this dark topic and practice in more detail later, but here is an example. In her speech to parliament regarding foreign ownership—a video of which can be found on her website—Helen Dalton MP gave the example of the sale of Temora, a large diversified agribusiness. Local farmers offered \$270 million for Temora but the government sold it to a Canadian pension fund company for \$62 million less! [13]. In a further speech to parliament—also available on video on her Facebook page—Helen Dalton states explicitly that she has come to see that there is in fact a *deliberate policy to wipe out Australian farmers*, something she once thought was paranoia and speculative conspiracy talk, and to put our food production in the hands of overseas corporations. This relates to the 400% decrease in dairy farmers in Australia over the last 40 years. [14].

In sum, privatisation of Australia's has meant the progressive buying up of Australia's water by big corporations, especially agribusiness and mining, including foreign or multinational companies, at the expense of smaller farmers and irrigators and more generally of Australian rural residents and towns. This is in clear breach of Section 100 of the Australian Constitution which states: 'The Commonwealth shall not by any law, or regulation of trade or commerce, abridge the right of a state or of the residents to the reasonable use of waters of rivers for conservation or irrigation.' *More fundamentally, access to water is a basic right the must be protected by governments and not be put into the hands of private businesses, and behind them, banks, which exist to generate profit*. [25]. Further, federal and state politicians are involved in the buying and selling of water, both in their official capacity and privately, where their water interests do *not* need to

be disclosed—and so potential and no doubt actual conflicts of interests are hidden. Further, some of the water trading done by politicians in their official capacity is not transparent or disclosed to the public—something which can also hide corruption. Further, still in this trading process it is quite clear that Australian farmers, irrigators and businesses are being *deliberately* removed from the land and preference given to foreign companies, Temora being a case in point.

**5) The Gross Mis-Management of Water by the Murray-Darling Basin Commission.** As stated, the Murray Darling Basin Authority (MDBA) was created under the Water Act of 2007. Under this authority the government is busy buying back water rights from farmers and irrigators. The buyback is projected to be \$13 billion and involve depriving irrigators of 1,300 gigalitres of water, equivalent to three Sydney Harbours. [12].

What is the water taken from farmers and irrigators being used for? Firstly, to fulfill private water contracts. Let us open our account of the mismanagement of water by the MDBA. The investigative program 60 Minutes recently produced an expose called *Water Wars*. [17]. The expose included independent research conducted by Maryanne Slattery, a former senior officer at the MDBA, and using the MDBA's own statistics. Slattery revealed that from August 2018 to Jan 2019 the MDBA wasted a massive 800,000 megalitres of water, equivalent to two Sydney Harbours, in the Murray-Darling Basin. The expose revealed that this wastage was in part due to the MDBA being engaged in water trading for profit. Basically, large agribusiness companies, many of them foreign multinationals, pay the highest prices for water, and then this water has to be *forced* down the Murray to meet the contracts. However, in forcing it down the Murray it spills out at the narrowest places such as the Barmah Choke, and causes massive environmental damage. How much water, 60 Minutes reports that in August of last year (2018) dams were opened along the upper Murray for 141 days, releasing 16,000 megalitres a day; all because of bureaucrats getting water to the big agribusinesses which have been allowed to buy up water rights. As one of the interviewees on the program stated: 'Money flows to the highest bidder.' [17].

Second, water taken by the MDBA from farmers and irrigators is being used for so-called environmental purposes. A massive 70% percent of the water in the Murray-Darling Basin is being used for this purpose. The remaining 30 percent is used for industry, irrigation and drinking water. 70% of water is released down the Murray for so-called environmental purposes but, in combination with the water being forced down the river to meet water trading contracts overseen by the MDBA, so much water is being flushed down the Murray it is actually *destroying* the river system to some extent. In the 12 months leading up to mid-2019 so much water had been released that in some places it had eroded three metres of river bank. And so much water is being released that it is *permanently* flooding and destroying the Barmah-Millewa forest (near the Barmah Choke), the largest Red Gum forest in Australia, and also the Gunbower Forest in the Mallee region of Victoria. [15].

Here is another environmental 'gem': during September and October 2019, under order from the government agency the Commonwealth Water Holder, the Wyangala Dam in NSW released 22 gigalitres of precious freshwater down the Lachlan River, to "benefit the resident catfish and freshwater shrimp", while desperate farmers watched helplessly. The NSW Water Minister, Melinda Pavey called it "blind recklessness" in an existing drought and with Bureau of Meteorology forecasts of little substantial rain for the next 12 months. Wyangala Dam is now down to 18% capacity. [18]—so good luck with future environmental flows.

One of the primary aims of environmental aims stipulated in the MDBA Plan is to 'ensure the mouth of the River Murray is open, without the need for dredging in at least 95% of years, with flows every year through the Murray Mouth Barrages.' But as Topher Field explains in his video presentation *The MDBA's Zombie Water* this objective is patently impossible, unnatural (for naturally the mouth of the river often closes) and a shocking waste of valuable freshwater for nil gain. The vain attempt to achieve this unnatural and unrealistic objective requires massive amounts of water simply flowing out to sea each year. In fact, the MDBA itself admits that it requires more water than the Murray can handle—because of narrow areas—and results in

man-made floods which destroy farmland, crops, fences and infrastructure. In 2016, when the River Murray was *already in flood*, the MDBA ordered massive releases from the Menindee Lakes. They hoped that the combined effect of the flood and release would be to open the Murray mouth. ‘Success’! The mouth was opened, but for just ten days when dredging had to resume. But there was a terrible sequel. The following two to three years were of low rainfall and so the Darling River began drying up. However, the MDBA had wasted so much water that it had none to spare to assist the Darling. This resulted in blue green algae growing in the little remaining water and a resultant massive fish kill of some one million. Another unrealistic goal is to keep Lake Alexandrina, at the mouth of the Murray, a fresh water lake. No: it was *naturally an estuary* where its water varied between fresh water and sea water each year. It estimated that a massive 850 ggalitres (GL) of water is lost in evaporation from Lake Alexandrina each year. Each GL of water is estimated to add seven million dollars to our economy, so the loss of 850 GL a year is the loss of around six billion dollars to our economy each year, and more importantly, to the rural economy each year. We simply do not have the water to fill the lower lakes (Alexandrina and Albert) with fresh water or to keep open the Murray mouth. As Topher Field rightly says, this objective is ‘pure fantasy.’ Further, most of the existing wetlands along the Murray are actually manmade and did not naturally exist. [29; 30; 18; 23].

So much water is being wasted by the MDBA for so-called environmental purposes and in water trading that *it is clear that the rural drought in the Murray-Darling Basin is actually manmade, primarily, made by the MDBA*. In a series of documentaries independent Australian reporter Topher Field exposes this terrible fact. In one of his most recent documentaries entitled *The MDBAs Man Made Drought* he discusses that *Australia had its wettest year in 2010, and since then it has had average rainfall*. It is only since 2018 that we have entered back into very dry or drought conditions. Consequently, there is a huge amount of water in the Murray-Darling System but, held in dams and, as stated, 70% is being used for so-called environmental purposes while farmers, irrigators, residents, and whole towns go dry. How much water is being held? The commonwealth government holds 2.7 trillion litres of water rights for environmental purposes each year. [15]. As of December 2019 the dams in the Basin are at only 33% due to this radical mismanagement. [23]. What will the environment do when the MDBA has wasted this remaining water? Certainly, the private traders and speculators like Duxton Water who own no land will be selling water at exorbitant prices.

Here is yet another *major* example of the MDBA’s incompetence, or perhaps *corruption*. In July 2019 the ABC program *Four Corners* did an expose on one of the worst aspects of the MDBA Plan. The expose was entitled *Cash Splash: Taxpayers Dollars, Secretive Deals and the Lucrative Business of Water*. [28]. It looked at the water infra-structure aspect of the MDBA Plan where the government buys back water rights from irrigators in return for the government giving grants of taxpayer money to farmers and irrigators to build infrastructure on their properties to save water loss and thus effectively return water to the river. The scheme has resulted in a triple loss: to the river and environment, to the tax payers, and to smaller farmers and irrigators. The biggest winners are the bigger agribusinesses. This is illustrated through the example of Webster, a huge agribusiness around the Murrumbidgee River. For selling some of its water rights Webster received grants from the government to build infrastructure to save water loss. In doing so, Webster makes a big profit by using this grant money to develop the irrigated land so that it is more profitable. Likewise, it develops infrastructure on new land which previously would not have been profitable to irrigate. Webster profits from these projects and buys up more land and more water rights. Some of the latter it sells to the government for infrastructure grants and the profit-making process for Webster continues. Basically, Webster is being subsidised by and benefiting from massive taxpayers’ grants, but, is the river benefiting? No. For the infrastructure that Webster is putting in place, especially on new land, is actually *reducing* the water that is flowing back into the river system. Incidentally, all the deals by Webster and government are done in secret. [28].

The independent investigator, Professor Quentin Grafton, who is (or was) Chair In Water Economics at UNESCO, ANU, based on his team’s research, estimates that at best the amount of water returning to the river Murray-Darling Basin is less than half of what the federal government states, and at worst, the water being returned to the river is actually *less* than before the MDBA Plan was instituted. We don’t know because there is no measurement or auditing of the water usage and return in place—no measuring or

checking of estimated water return to the river and no actual measuring or checking of actual water return. The auditing that has been done by Grafton and his team, showing that much less water is actually being returned to the river system, has been rejected by the government, yet the government refuses to point out to Grafton's team where their research is wrong. [28].

The South Australian Royal Commission into the MDBA and its plan called for a complete overhaul. It described the water infrastructure scheme as 'a quintessential example of sorry lack of accountability and transparency'. It recommended this scheme be stopped, and that the auditor-general investigate the entire scheme, in particular the scientific evidence for the amount of water supposedly being returned to the river by the scheme. Not surprisingly to some the Federal government *blocked* commonwealth government officials from testifying at the Royal Commission—obviously they do *not* want the truth to be told about what they are doing via the MDBA. Professor Grafton concluded by saying that the MDBA delivers 'private benefits with public money and that is a national scandal.' [28]. Webster of course is one example.

Was it necessary to institute the Murray-Darling Basin Plan because too much water was being extracted? It would seem not. Prior to the Plan an average of 13,623 GL, or 42% of total water was being extracted from the Basin's rivers annually, leaving the remaining 52% to flow through. The Basin Plan legislated to cut extractions by 2,750 GL. [23].

In sum, the Murray Darling Basin Authority (MDBA) is busy buying \$13 billion of water rights from cash-strapped farmers and irrigators. It is using this water for so-called environmental purposes and also, to fulfill the water rights/licences of big agribusinesses who have attained these rights through the privatisation of Australia's water. However, the MDBA is grossly mismanaging this water: based on its own statistics and information, it was calculated that from August 2018 to Jan 2019 the MDBA wasted a massive 800,000 megalitres of water, equivalent to two Sydney Harbours. *In addition* to this, more is being wasted on unrealistic and unnatural environmental objectives such as keeping the Murray mouth open, and keeping the lower lakes filled with fresh water. As a result, tremendous amounts of water being are fruitlessly flushed out to sea or lost in needless evaporation. Indeed, so much water is being flushed down the river to meet water trading contracts and for environmental purposes that the environment is being *greatly* harmed. Critics of the MDBA, including the South Australian Royal Commission, also point out that the MDBA's policy of exchanging water rights for infrastructure scheme is benefiting private operators, mainly big agribusiness, using taxpayers' money, and where any water return to the river is not even being audited—indeed auditing is being resisted by the federal government. Here is a question: 'Is such gross mismanagement of the Murray-Darling Basin, mismanagement which effectively and greatly favours big businesses at the expense of smaller farmers and irrigators, rural residents and towns, and at the expense of the river system itself, simply stupidity, or, is it for some reason deliberate? Is there a deeper and hidden agenda here to get people off of the land and give it big corporations with all that this entails for food and water security, health of the environment, and the rights of ordinary Australians?'

**6) Massive Under-Financing and Resourcing of Australia's Rural Fire Services.** In May 2016 Australia's National Aerial Firefighting Centre called for a national large air-tanker fleet but was turned down by the Federal government, saying it was a job for the States. 30 former fire chiefs have repeatedly told the Morrison government that funding for the aerial program was insufficient, including renewed calls in December 2018 and December 2019. Former Fire and Rescue NSW Commissioner Greg Mullins said the government should be committing \$25 million a year for this purpose. Instead, the Morrison government gave a one-off payment to aerial firefighting of \$11 million in 2018 and the same in 2019. Mullins also said that dozens of aircraft in the northern hemisphere, currently in mothballs for the northern hemisphere winter, could be available "in a week" to fight the raging fires. In particular he stated "They [the government] could get onto the Canadian government and I am sure they would be here in a week. They'd have as many as we want." Planes from overseas are apparently arriving. But why wasn't it already done weeks or months ago? [27; 32]. Reportedly, there have been offers of air-tankers from other countries but hitherto the Morrison government has refused. Why?

In the latest NSW budget \$12.9 million was cut from Fire and Rescue NSW, while the Office of NSW Fire Services—a service run by volunteers—lost \$26.7 million. Byron Bay, devastated by fires this year, was promised \$5.85 million that never arrived. [22]. In his January 2020 article *Budgets and Bushfires: Has Government Cost-Cutting Hindered Firefighting* the independent Australian journalist Michael West details the cuts to NSW rural firefighting services since 2011. [31]. Expenditure on rural firefighting and equipment in NSW fell from \$128.7 million in 2011 to 126.7 million in 2019; and this expenditure fell as low as \$95 million in 2015 and around \$107 million in 2018. From 2010 to 2019 the number of overall vehicles for fire brigades in NSW fell from 7,530 to 6,288. In the same period fire mitigation (or hazard reduction) spending fell from \$12 million to \$8.8 million, falling as low as \$4.3 million in 2015. Spending in the three years leading up to the current fires is a massive \$66 million below budget, that is, the money is in hand but not being used. Why the hell not? West asks whether there has been pressure from politicians not to spend, and is the remuneration (payment) of fire chiefs tied to cost outcomes? The number of tankers in NSW are down from 7,530 in 2010 to 6,288 in 2019. In the South Coast region, where the devastated town of Cabargo once stood, the number of tankers fell from 1,384 to 1,176, the number of pumpers from 43 to 12, and the number of personnel transport and command vehicles from 511 to 176. Overall in this region, in the past five years total vehicles are down from 2,188 in 2015 to 1,789. Yet, as stated, there was money in hand! Funding provided for tankers was disclosed as 31.2 million in 2010 but now the disclosure figures have disappeared from government statistics. West asks ‘why?’ In a letter to the NSW premier, Gladys Berejiklian, West has asked for an explanation of some of these significant cuts and reductions. [31].

**7) The Federal Government’s Incompetent Government Mismanagement of the Bushfires.** As the bushfires were rapidly increasing in intensity ScoMo goes to Hawaii for holiday, and his office initially hides the truth about where he is and when he went. When public pressure compels his return, he engages in a series of errors. Firstly, he runs a blatant political advertisement campaign which he hoped would capitalise on the assistance, including from the military, that his government was finally providing to fight the bushfires. Further, he called up and deployed 3,000 army reservists without notifying the fire commissioners on the ground. The NSW Rural Fire Service Commissioner Shane Fitzsimmons found about Morrison’s initiative through the media! He said ‘I was disappointed and frustrated in the middle of one of our worst days with massive dislocation and movement of people.’ ScoMo called it a ‘communication breakdown’ when really it was simply a failure on his part to communicate at all to those on the ground who needed to know. Third, as discussed, the Morrison government has refused to expand our air-tanker fleet, and has refused offers from various countries of air-tankers able to dump massive amounts of water on the fires.

**8) Fuel Loads Have Been Deliberately Allowed To Build Up In Our Bushland Leading To Increasingly Savage Fires.** Over a period of some 20 years governments in Australia have progressively *disallowed* back burning and other fire-hazard reduction practices required to minimise the fuel available for fires. As a result, there are now massive fuel loads which have built up in fire-prone forest areas. Recently, Brian, a rural fireman, with some 50 years’ experience was interviewed on the radio show *Nights With John Stanley*. He stated that in NSW there has been hazard reduction treatment of *less than one percent* of the bushfire prone land for 20 years; and at the current rate it would take 400 years to treat the bushfire prone areas in his state. He stated that the intensity of fire in a forest with a 15-year-old fuel load is about 17 times hotter than the same forest with a four-year-old fuel load. [5]. To reply, as some have done, that the opportunities for hazard reduction are less now because of the longer bushfire period merely points to the fact that governments are not allocating sufficient resources (in the short time frame) to this vital practice.

**9) Geoengineering and the Deliberate and Criminal Movement of Rain Away from the Australian Continent Using the Doppler Weather Radar System.** In a series of recent videos—available on YouTube—the intendent investigator and reporter Max Igan provides substantial proof that geoengineering is occurring in Australia to prevent rain reaching the mainland. [1; 2; 3; 4; 5; 6]. Basically, geoengineering is the deliberate manipulation of the weather on a large scale using various technologies. In one form or another geoengineering has been used in Australia and many other countries since the 1950s. For those people who are unfamiliar with geoengineering, two very comprehensive and professional websites run by

*independent* researchers are [www.climateviewer.com](http://www.climateviewer.com) run by Jim Lee and [www.geoengineeringwatch.org](http://www.geoengineeringwatch.org) run by Dane Wigington.

Max Igan examines satellite imagery which shows that the 55 Doppler weather radars used by the Bureau of Meteorology, and which basically ring the Australian coast, are being used, by someone, to push high and low pressure systems around and move associated rain *away from* the Australian continent. In this regard Igan provides satellite imagery which clearly shows massive and unnatural circular cloud patterns, or the absence of clouds in circular patterns, where each circular pattern has a Doppler radar at its centre. This clearly shows that the radar is affecting the weather in these regions. Likewise, he presents satellite imagery which shows low pressure and wet weather systems being pushed away from the mainland by these Doppler radars. [1; 2; 3; 4; 5; 6]. Thus, in one or more of those agencies—the Bureau of Meteorology, the intelligence and military—who have access to the Doppler radars, we have *traitors* who are deliberately pushing rain away from Australia and thereby deliberately drying out the country, creating drought, and now, preventing the extinguishment of the bushfires consuming our beautiful country.

Max Igan also draws our attention to what should be obvious to many people now from their own observations: that for some years now our skies have been sprayed by jet aircraft. If we take the time to look up, we now see jet aircraft leaving behind them long white trails which often gradually spread out and turn the sky pale or form into clouds. These are *not* normal condensation trails which are short in length, very short lived, form at high altitudes, and are rarely seen. Instead, as air, water, snow and soil tests have now conclusively show, these jet trails are full of metal particulates and chemicals, including aluminium oxide, barium oxide, strontium, sulphate, soot (both carbon black dust and carbon black aerosol), titanium, chromium, lead, polymers (large molecules composed of smaller repeating ones), sulphur and arsenic. It is this toxic witch's brew which gives these trails their unique visibility, character and properties. Colloquially, these trails have come to be called 'chemtrails'—a term now used in a pejorative manner by many to point to so-called conspiracy theorists. (It's not a theory if you can prove it.) Max Igan points out how the metals and chemical in chemtrails are *highly combustible* and are largely responsible—along with increased fuel loads—for the unnatural intensity of the recent bushfires—an intensity continuously reported by those fighting the fires. In particular, Igan points out that the main constituents of the chemtrails, namely, aluminium, barium and strontium, are the three mandatory components of sparklers used as fireworks. In short, for years now our country and bushland has been sprayed with metals and chemicals *which act as fire accelerants*. [1; 2; 3; 4; 5; 6]. In particular Igan shows a news weather report which shows the military spraying chaff, that is, metal particulates, over the bushfire region in southern Queensland. [2]. In a later video he provides satellite imagery which shows chemtrails being sprayed over fires. [6]. This spraying explains why even lush vineyards which would normally not burn are going up in flames and being incinerated in short periods of time. As a grape grower from the recently devastated wine industry in the Adelaide Hills, Jan Siemelink-Allen, stated: 'In my 35 years in the industry I've never seen a bushfire go through vines like it has here and completely decimate them, they're normally green and lush and they don't burn easily. They have burnt out in less than half an hour, and with an intensity that you can't believe.' [21].

Something not discussed by Max Igan in his series of videos on the Australian bushfires [1; 2; 3; 4; 5; 6], and possibly unknown to him, is the basic relationship between the Doppler radars and the chemtrails which are being sprayed. As noted above chemtrails are full of metals and heavy metals. These are highly conductive. Doppler weather radars, and other forms of technology, emit electromagnetic radiation of various frequencies to pulse these metals in the atmosphere, in turn, the metal particulates will affect the weather; in the case of the Doppler radars this involves moving high and low pressures systems about (where this is shown in the satellite imagery). An expert in the area of the use of electromagnetic radiation to influence the weather, Christopher Fontenot, states: 'Phased array Doppler radar facilities...can provide the focused microwave energy needed...to increase power density in the... [lower atmospheric] layers. These modern tools of manipulation are essential to control the weather. By controlling the electromagnetic potential [or power density] in the Earth's atmospheric layers, man can affect natural processes of weather.' (41 p. 232). The key to understanding how electromagnetic radiation influences the weather is to know that, as quantum physics has shown, at the most fundamental physical level all phenomena, including the

weather, are, and arise out of, electromagnetic fields. My paper *Chemtrails, Geoengineering and Electromagnetic Technology* provides a concise overview of the nature of chemtrails and their interaction with various forms of electromagnetic radiation technology to achieve various outcomes including geoengineering.

**10) Failing to Use An Australian Company with A Proven Track Record of Being Able to Bring Rain to Farmers.** On both a bright and dark note, an Australian company, Miles Research, headed by David Miles has had proven success since 1998 in successfully bringing rain to farmers, and moving away too much rain, using electromagnetic technology. For two decades this company, and its predecessor, has been working with Australian farmers, for example in the Wimmera, and successfully fulfilling contracts to both bring them needed rain and to turn away too much rain. It has also worked with success to bring rain to drought ravaged areas in Africa. The company states on its website: ‘Miles research represents an innovative Weather Moderation technology currently being used to break the present threat of drought across south-eastern Australia.... [the technology] can enhance regional rainfall and protect against localised severe weather.’ The details and results of the company’s successful weather interventions can be accessed on the company’s website [www.milesresearch.co](http://www.milesresearch.co). Not surprisingly for some, despite its proven success, the company has not only been ignored but even vilified by state governments. [36]. David Miles, the director of the company, can be seen being interviewed by Jim Lee (from [www.climateviewer.com](http://www.climateviewer.com)) in the YouTube video entitled *David Miles On Steering Sky Rivers, Weather Moderation, and Military Implications*. [37]. The video clearly shows a man of integrity. Australia is one of 47 countries using another geoengineering technique called cloud seeding to bring rain—in fact Australia used it *first* in 1947. [42]. If there is any doubt about geoengineering of different types has been occurring in Australia please see the article *Revealed: The Australian Companies Manipulating Our Weather* at by Ethan Nash at *Tott News* and published on June 25<sup>th</sup> 2018. One geoengineering technique called cloud seeding, where particles of silver iodide or solid carbon dioxide are dispersed into rain-bearing clouds to induce rain, has been practiced continuously in Australia since 1947. Experimentation in this area is currently being conducted, at least, by the CSIRO Division of Cloud Physics. In 2007 Malcolm Turnbull gave \$10 million from the Australian Government Water Fund to the secretive Australian Rain Corporation, now Australian Technologies, for research of a technology that aims to trigger rainfall using cloud seeding and adding electrification of the ionosphere (a layer of the atmosphere) to create clouds out of thin air. So why isn’t geoengineering being used to put out the bushfires? Our beautiful country is being *allowed* to burn.

Before leaving this list of ten interrelated activities/areas contributing to the drought and bushfires in Australia, I should quickly address the issue of global warming, or climate change, as it has now been re-badged. Even if anthropogenic global warming were true, it has *not significantly* contributed to the current drought and bushfire situation in Australia. The planet has experienced very gradual global warming from the 18<sup>th</sup> century as it has emerged from a mini-ice age called the Maunder Minimum. Estimates vary a little, but the amount of warming is around 0.75 to 0.9 degrees. Further, there has been little or no global warming since 1997 [50, 51, 52]; one science reporter states that the satellite data sets, the most accurate, show a rate of warming of only 0.12 degrees Celsius per decade in recent decades. [49]. The very minor amount of global warming or increased heat that we have experienced in recent decades could not of itself, have made any significant contribution to the drought conditions or the bushfires in Australia. Nor is Australia experiencing some unprecedented hot period. As discussed in the article *Top Reasons To Question Climate Change* by Ethan Nash at *Tott News*, historically Australia has experienced equal of hotter summer temperatures than those of 2019. [48]. Regarding the drought, and in particular rainfall, Australia had its wettest year in 2010 and since then overall rainfall has been about average, albeit 2018-2019 have been very dry. [15]. Yet, Australia has had many drought periods, and very hot periods, before but without the bushfires of the immense magnitude which we are seeing now. [48]. In short, the bushfires at present are caused, as I have described, by the usual hot and dry conditions, but now, *with a combination of other factors*. Please see my paper *The Global Warming Hoax* for an in-depth treatment on the fraud of global warming being perpetrated on the global community.

## The Bigger Picture Regarding the Australian Drought and Bushfires

What then is the bigger picture regarding the drought and bushfires raging in Australia? To recap: we have covered a number of interrelated activities in Australia: fracking; the illegal building of massive private dams and selling of water to fill them; illegal water harvesting; the illegal privatisation and selling of Australian water including increasingly to foreign corporations; the gross mismanagement of water in the Murray-Darling Basin by the MDBA; the massive under-funding and under-servicing of our rural fire services by both state and federal governments; the Federal Government's, in particular ScoMo's, inept handling of the bushfire crisis; allowing massive fuel loads to build up in our forests; the spraying of our bushland and forests and more generally Australia with fire accelerants for many years; the deliberate moving of rain away from the continent using the network of 55 Doppler radars; and refusing to use existent and proven geoengineering technology to bring rain to Australia to put out the bushfires.

The combined and very negative outcomes of these related activities, involving, criminal and moral corruption, treason and rank and gross stupidity, have been multifold: to deprive our catchment areas and the Australia continent in general of rain and water; to exacerbate and to a large extent create drought conditions in areas of Australia; to have created the potential, now actualised, for massive fires throughout the country; to allow the bushfires to continue to burn; to progressively force smaller farmers, growers and irrigators off the land; deplete rural towns and residents of water and farming activity and in doing so cause their decline; to greatly facilitate big corporations, in particular agribusiness and mining, to progressively buy up Australian water rights, agriculture, and land; to facilitate the sale of Australian water and agricultural land into foreign hands; to effectively reduce Australia's food and water security by putting it in the hands of big, often foreign owned, corporations; to degrade the environment in particular the river systems; to have killed and terrorised many Australians through the bushfires.

We can now put these negative outcomes into a wider context: *ultimately*, they have been deliberately manufactured as part of executing Agenda 21, and now Agenda 30, in Australia. At the outside it is necessary to say that Agendas 21 and 30, in particular, an analysis of their real nature and intent is a *complex* topic, and one which will require considerable effort before conclusions are reached. In this paper I will only *touch* upon this topic—enough I hope for present purposes. For those would like a detailed and fully referenced analysis of Agendas 21 and 30, especially in the Australian context, you may read my paper *The Dark Agenda: Agendas 21 and 30, the Trojan Horse for Global, Centralised and Totalitarian-Fascist Control of All the World's Resources and Activities—Including You*.

*Agenda 21: United Nations Sustainable Development*, commonly known as Agenda 21, is an approximately 350-page policy document which was prepared for, and which was the culmination of, the UN Conference on Environment and Development held in Rio de Janeiro in 1992—also known as the Earth Summit. Commitment to its implementation was signed-off by 179 countries including Australia by the then prime minister Paul Keating. *Transforming Our World: The 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development*, commonly known as Agenda 30, is a much smaller document of 41 pages which does *not* replace Agenda 21. Agenda 30 explicitly states—in section 11—that it builds on the solid foundation of former UN summits including the UN Conference of Environment and Development held in Rio de Janeiro in 1992 which, we may add, produced Agenda 21. The essential defining feature of Agenda 30 is that it adds a series of 17 specific goals, called Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), along with 169 related targets, to facilitate the implementation of Agenda 21. Agenda 30 was signed off in 2015 by 193 countries, including Australia by the then Foreign Minister Julie Bishop. Both Agendas are pledges and not legally binding treaties, however, through a variety of means, including legislation, they are being progressively implemented and enforced in the signatory countries.

Agenda 21 and more recently Agenda 30 have been progressively implemented in Australia for around three decades. Perhaps the best starting point to become informed about the extensive implementation of these UN

Agendas in the Australian context are a series of papers written by Graham Williamson and which can still be found at the websites [galileomovement.com.au](http://galileomovement.com.au) and also [catallaxyfiles.com](http://catallaxyfiles.com). [53; 54; 55; 56; 57; 58; 59; 60]. To provide a quick *indication* of the extensive rollout of these Agendas we may note that by 2012 Agenda 21 was already operating in 600 towns and cities across the US. [43 p. 622]. Then Prime Minister Tony Blair told the UN General Assembly Special Session on the Environment in 1997 “I want all local authorities in the UK to adopt local Agenda 21 strategies by the year 2000.” [43 p. 623]. The non-governmental organisation ICLEI, or the International Council for Local Environmental Initiatives—now renamed Local Governments for Sustainability—has had a major role in the local implementation of Agenda 21. In their document *Preparing for Tomorrow 2010 – 2015 Strategy* ICLEI boasts that it “has achieved results that the planet notices. Over the last 20 years: We have built a global sustainability network of 1,200 local governments of all sizes in 70 countries. We have instigated a movement of about 10,000 local governments that have engaged their citizens in Local Agenda 21...” As ICLEI reported on their website ([iclei.org](http://iclei.org)) in 2019, this number has now increased to more than 1,750 local and regional governments active in 100 plus countries. *Wikipedia* states that at present some 88 Australian councils are involved with ICLEI. ICLEI’s own website ([icleioceania.org](http://icleioceania.org)) shows that these councils include the cities of Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide, Hobart and Perth. I’m fairly sure we can add the new smart city, Darwin, to this list.

Despite this extensive and progressive rollout, most Australians, indeed I would say most people, have never heard of Agendas 21 and 30. In part this is because their principles, policies and processes assume various names, many of which will be familiar, including : “sustainability”, “STAR sustainable communities”, “consensus” and “participatory” decision making, “facilitators” (for such decision making), “resiliency”, “resilient cities”, “smart cities”, “smart growth”, “regional visioning projects”, “local visioning”, “green jobs”, “green building codes”, “going green”, “alternative energy”, “regional planning”, “comprehensive planning”, “historic preservation”, “conservation easements”, and “growth management.” There is a second and related reason why most people haven’t heard of Agendas 21 and 30: fear of opposition to their rollout has resulted in deliberately renaming them. Here is a quote from J. Gary Lawrence, an advisor to President Clinton’s Council on Sustainable Development, which confirms this point: “Participating in a UN advocated planning process would very likely bring out many of the conspiracy-fixated groups and individuals in our society.... This segment of our society who fear ‘one-world government’ and a UN invasion of the United States through which our individual freedoms would be stripped away would actively work to defeat any elected official who joined ‘the conspiracy’ by undertaking LA21. *So we call our process something else, such as comprehensive planning, growth management or smart growth.*” (My italics). [61]. Lawrence’s fear was well-founded, for there is now widespread opposition to Agendas 21 and 30 in the US due to their fundamentally undemocratic nature and the threat they pose to basic human rights, especially property rights. So far, resolutions opposing Agenda 21 have been proposed or passed in the states of Wyoming, Montana, Minnesota, Washington, Oklahoma, Iowa, Texas, South Dakota, Wisconsin and Arkansas. [59].

Agendas 21 and 30 are apparently benevolent UN policy documents which serve as the guiding basis or blueprints for the establishment of economically and ecologically sustainable and socially just communities throughout the world. [63; 64]. The central message of these documents is this: through human mismanagement and over consumption we now have a world in crisis characterised by scarce or rapidly diminishing resources, increasing environmental degradation and dangers—in particular manmade or anthropogenic global warming (now re-badged as climate change)—and great economic and social inequity and inequality, therefore, we need to implement a new and global political, economic, social and ecological system which will insure both economic and environmental and sustainability as well as economic and social equity or justice and equality. In actuality, Agendas 21 and 30 are a trojan horse for: the progressive rollout of a world-wide monitoring and measuring system of *all* of the world’s resources and activities, including people and their activities; the progressive ownership and control of all resources and activities by governments in collusion with mega-corporations and, as always, the mega-banks behind these corporations; and the progressive centralisation of political power and control over the world through the United Nations (UN) or, much more specifically, the mega-wealthy individuals and groups which have *always* more or less controlled the UN from within the shadows. Rather than providing the foundation for a promised utopian future—a healthy environment, a prosperous economy, the end of poverty and scarcity, equal distribution of

the world's wealth and resources, social justice for women, children and indigenous groups, peace, and partnership—beneath the high-sounding language and nice-looking facade Agendas 21 and 30 contain more or less hidden principles, policies, plans and programs for the progressive and insidious rollout of a dystopian, global, centralised, fascist and totalitarian regime run through an incestuous alliance of government and mega- or transnational-corporations and banks. This *is* the dark agenda hidden behind and within Agendas 21 and 30. “Sustainable Development is a Trojan Horse that looks good on the outside but is filled with highly toxic and militant policies on the inside.”—Patrick Wood, *Technocracy Rising: The Trojan Horse of Global Transformation*. [62 p. 97].

When we bring out the principles, policies, plans and programs more or less hidden in Agendas 21 and 30, often by referring to related documents, and also look at how these Agendas have been and are actually being implemented in the signatory countries, we find that central features of Agendas 21 and 30 may be summarised as follows. These Agendas prescribe: 1) a global or world-wide system covering or affecting *all* resources, activities, countries, governments, organisations, people and aspects of society. 2) a global or world-wide system of government centred in the UN but actually controlled by the people who have always controlled the UN from the shadows, mainly, the mega-wealthy owners of the transnational banks and corporations 3) a system which replaces the current system of capitalism with a free market 4) a new system which will monitor, measure, regulate and control all resources and activities to supposedly attain economic and ecological sustainability and social justice and equality 5) the progressive implementation of a totalitarian and fascist regime where the latter is the collusive alliance between government and corporations 6) the progressive demise of democratically elected and accountable government 7) the progressive demise of private ownership of property and property rights, and more generally individual rights, in favour of so-called community rights which essentially equate to the rights of (centralised) government in collusion with big corporations and banks 8) that the population will be reduced to between one and three billion 9) that the population will be progressively encouraged, coerced and forced into smart cities or “human settlement” zones while the majority of land will be given over to what are called “wilderness areas “10) a massive world-wide expansion and development of a centralised data collection and analysis system to monitor, measure and audit all resources and activities, where the ostensible purpose of which will be for developing sustainable communities, but where the real purpose will be for the control and subjugation of the world and its people. This will occur most acutely in smart cities where the new 5G Network or Smart Grid or Internet of Things will enable the continuous monitoring, measuring and control of all people and their activities. This is the real and dark agenda of Agendas 21 and 30.

I wish to emphasize that Agendas 21 and 30, in particular, an analysis of their real nature and intent is a *complex* topic, and one which will require considerable effort before conclusions are reached.

Now we may return to the situation here in Australia. I have described how ten activities characterised by criminal and moral corruption, treason, mismanagement and stupidity have contributed to a number of negative outcomes in Australia (as noted in the second paragraph of this section of the paper). Basically, the drying out of Australia, the drought, and the raging bushfires have been largely and *deliberately* created and sustained to enforce the roll out of the dark agenda of Agendas 21 and 30 in this country. Terrible conditions, not least of all the drought and bushfires, are being created to remove people (and towns) from rural areas who will eventually end up in ever more densely packed cities. These cities of course, if we allow it, will soon be 5G Network or Smart Grid cities or smart cities. As people, especially farmers, are pushed off the land—something which has already been occurring at an alarming rate—we will see the selling off of Australian water, land and other resources to big private corporations, often foreign owned, accelerate. We will need to watch carefully for how people will be encouraged, cajoled, coerced, threatened, forced and legislated out of rural areas in the wake of the fires. The people put in charge of Australia's recovery by the government should be watched very, very closely indeed to see whether they actually facilitate this recovery, or hinder it, and in particular, whether they facilitate the removal of people from rural areas. In the midst and wake of the fires when many Australians are traumatised, the Australian governments will attempt to fast track and ram through much legislation that brings Agendas 21 and 30, and the subjugation of the Australian population, into being—if we let them. In conclusion, I would refer people to a recent video

released by *Tott News*, an alternative Australian news service ([www.tottnews.com.au](http://www.tottnews.com.au)), entitled *Australia On Fire: The Beginning of Agenda 2030*. [46]. It does a good job of pulling together in a short space the rollout of Agenda 30 in Australia and its relation to the bushfires.

### **Solutions to the Drought and Bushfire Crisis**

Here are some suggested ways to heal Australia from the double burden of drought and bushfires:

1. Educate yourself about Agendas 21 and 30 and oppose its rollout in Australia.
2. Educate about yourself about 5G or the Smart Grid or Internet of Things and oppose its rollout in Australia.
3. Stop the sale of Australian businesses, agricultural land, and water to foreign companies and buy back the businesses, land and water that had already been sold and return them to Australian ownership.
4. Impose strict regulation on the sale of Australian water rights including: limiting sales of water to only those people who own land and which will use the water on the land for irrigation and livestock; cap or limit water entitlements to big business.
5. Cease water buy backs (stealing of water) from farmers.
6. Decrease the amount of water being used for so-called environmental purposes and return the saved water to smaller farmers, growers and irrigations as relatively cheap water rights.
7. Institute a Royal Commission into the MDBA and Plan with wide terms of reference including into government corruption concerning water trading. In the interim suspend the water-infrastructure program of the MDBA which is using taxpayers' money to subsidise big business for little or no water return to the river.
8. Stop forcing huge flows of water down the Murray which cause environmentally destructive flooding.
9. Abandon the unrealistic and unnatural objective of keeping the Murray mouth open using fresh water, and return the lower lakes to being estuaries.
10. Build the Clarence River Scheme which will add 1,000 gegalitres a year to the Murray Darling Basin and upgrade Lake Burrinjuck on the Murrumbidgee River from 1028 gegalitres to 4000 gegalitres which would create a reservoir eight times that of Sydney Harbour. [23]. Consider other public dams.
11. Stop the building of *private* dams with tax payers' money.
12. Stop floodplain harvesting.
13. Stop coal seam gas mining or fracking.
14. Compel gas companies to pay their fair share of tax to Australia and to reserve a portion of the gas they extract to fulfill domestic demand at low prices.
15. Pass legislation to compel politicians to disclose their water interests
16. Pass legislation to ensure that all government water trading is completely transparent.
17. Institute a Royal Commission into chemtrails and geoengineering, including the use of the Doppler Radar System and related technology to manipulate the weather.
18. Properly fund state rural fire services and insure they spend their budgets fully and in the best way.
19. Insure that hazard reduction in fire prone areas is sufficiently financed, resourced and completed.
20. Get aerial tankers from other countries to Australia as soon as possible.
21. Immediately fund a greatly expanded national aerial tanker service.
22. The government must contact and engage the Australian company Miles Research as soon as possible, and engage other established rain producing programs, to bring rain to the bushfires immediately.
23. Hold bureaucrats criminally liable for mismanagement of water use.
24. More generally, and longer term, institute legislation to sever any links between politicians on the one hand, and corporations and banks on the other, which means that the politicians or their parties are financially benefiting from these corporation and banks while in office or immediately after being in office.

25. Find some politicians who *love* their country and people, have some guts, intelligence and most importantly integrity—I've seen a few, there must be more.

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