

\$20 MILLION for Riverland Recovery Fund



Isobel Redmond and the State Liberals

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An Isobel Redmond Liberal Government will establish the Riverland Recovery Fund within the first 100 days of coming to office.

Isobel Redmond, Leader of the Opposition speaking in the Riverland today said that the Riverland Recovery Fund will provide \$20 million over four years to specifically assist Riverland communities to rebuild and re-energise after suffering years of diminished and uncertain water allocations.

“This fund will help eligible families, businesses and irrigators – SA Liberals’ are committed to rebuilding and protecting South Australia’s food bowl,” Ms Redmond said.

“Regional Policy in SA, spearheaded by the Rann Government’s Water Security Minister, Karlene Maywald, has seen much of our regional food bowl die through eight years of inaction and neglect.

“Karlene has shamefully sung the Rann Government’s tune rather than stickup for the Riverland and other regional communities around the state.

“Ms Maywald and the Rann Labor Government have only provided a piecemeal response to the crisis that has unfolded in this local community; it’s time for change, it’s time for a Redmond Liberal Government that values regional SA, values food producers and values small businesses.

“Unlike the Rann Labor Government, SA Liberal’s see a bright and prosperous future for the Riverland”.

Tim Whetstone, Liberal Candidate for Chaffey said the Rann Labor Government has failed to recognize the extreme hardship that this community is experiencing.

“Families have been ripped apart and livelihoods ruined after years of neglect from the city-centric Rann and Maywald Labor Government,” Mr Whetstone said.

“Premier Mike Rann has always thought that the State ended at Gepps Cross, it seems that after so many years in the Rann Labor Cabinet Karlene Maywald has stopped putting the Riverland before the needs of the Rann Labor Party machine.”

A Redmond Liberal Government will restore a sense of hope for the future and a renewed and revitalised sense of pride to the Riverland.