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Hello, I didn't have the opportunity to attend the Shepparton public forum.

I've recently purchased a farm that does have an irrigation entitlement (delivery shares). I was aware of the cost of water shares for permanent as well as the temporary price, expecting the price to drop in the future. The purchase of the irrigated farm was to assist with the variableness in weather to ensure a crop harvest.

The reality I am now faced with is if prices remain high are:

- Should I do any upgrades to the existing irrigation infrastructure while the cost of temporary water is not cost effective for irrigated cropping?
- Should I complete new works on part of the property that is not currently set up for irrigation?
- If I do complete new works with installation of irrigators, will I utilise the irrigator enough to obtain a return on the investment?
- If the temporary water price remains unviable for irrigated cropping, where will I obtain the affordability to terminate the delivery shares?
- The cost of water rates is twice the cost of shire rates where I expect to utilise shire facilities far more frequently than I expect to ever use water facilities.

Thanks

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