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I'm the only candidate contesting Maranoa that is driving to every town possible in the electorate. This is a massive commitment in both time, money and effort but I feel it's essential to demonstrate I genuinely want to be the best representative for the electorate. I'm experiencing (in real time) the challenges all of our communities face (with roads, services, communications etc..) as I am experiencing them personally.

It certainly gives me a much better experiential understanding of the issues than any other candidate.

I've found it to be very beneficial in seeing both the diversity (in industries, communities and landscapes) in this massive electorate and also to speak with local residents, business owners and administrators in each region.

As time is a premium at the moment (last three weeks of campaign and I lose a tremendous amount of time driving between towns) it's unrealistic for me to give you a full breakdown and response to the many issues raised in the provided documents however it may be beneficial to offer some umbrella comments to acknowledge my awareness of the issues and to express my support.

If I'm successful in winning this seat, I'd genuinely value the opportunity to meet with you personally and go through everything in more appropriate detail as the alliance is probably the most important administrative coalition to achieve the desired outcomes for the region.

I personally believe Maranoa itself can be an economic powerhouse for the region if we get the right investment in the right areas.

I'm genuinely concerned about the smaller communities that are dying since I last visited them. Some this is also my first time but locals share the history with me.

I've met with Amer (new CEO at Thargomindah) and he has brought me up to speed with the Warri Gate Rd project which seems to make sense based on the CSIRO reports justifying the financial benefits. I've met with Shaun Radnedge (the Mayor of Murweh) and we have a very productive discussion, I met with Justin in Quilpie (CEO of Quilpie). I only met with Tony Raynor briefly but it was only an introduction at the rodeo. Currently in my home town of Barcy but out of here today.

Everything listed in the presentation is right on point. I've sent a letter to all Mayors asking them to sign a Letter of Support for "The Backbone of the Bush" project; which is essential the hybrid Bradfield Scheme with modifications to cater for modern technology.

I'm surprised Mayors have been so slow to respond as I deliberately made it unbranded so there was no party affiliation or resistance. If I don't win, I want to hand over the unbranded letters of support to the winning candidate so they can pursue it further if they choose too.

Since 1 April 2019 (to 30 June 2021), the current member spent \$2.9 million of office and administration expenses. Most of the offices were closed of the time. During this same period they have close the Longreah & Emerald Ag college. My proposal is to close the federal offices and divert that funding back into the Ag college as this is a genuine investment in the further income producers in our many varied industries. You can't learn some of these skills in the city universities.

Additionally, I aim to attempt to rent space in the local shire council chambers so we can get better communication and exchange of ideas between Federal and Local levels of government. Rather than each level

of government wasting time and money on their own separate reports, we could conduct a single, cost-effective report that addresses all concerns and put those savings into infrastructure projects instead of being wasted and absorbed in administration. It also allows for faster delivery of the projects.

One Nation have also proposed a federally back rural and regional banking facility to fund the nation building projects in the rural regions, with additional scope to allow residential funding with better LVRs (Loan To Value Ratios) than offered by the banks. Justin in Quilpie explained a local couple had a pre-approval for \$1million @ 95% in Brisbane, when they came to Quilpie the best they could achieve was \$400k pre-approval at 60% LVR.

We also needs to get manufacturing back on it's feet if and we get the right rail and road infrastructure in place, we can decentralise the population back into the regions and genuinely build our towns back up.

It's not good enough to simply complain about it's "never going to happen". We have to try, make a genuine commitment to get things moving so it builds its own momentum and gets to stand on its own two feet.

Tourism is a massive opportunity for Maranoa. We have such diversity. In addition to helping identify and promote experiential and interactive style tourist attractions, I'd be encouraging doing government sponsored lifestyle and reality style TV documentaries/shows that can be sold for royalty based income streams to the international media outlets who want the Aussie lifestyle shows. Potential shows/docos like "Life as an Aussie Farmer/Traveller/Birds Watcher/Shearer/Roo Shooter/Opal Miner/Coal Miner/Trucker? Etc...". The list is endless. All highlighting the region, promoting international tourism, and receiving a royalty based income stream that can feed directly back into the region to fund infrastructure projects.

I personally believe One Nation is the most Australia focused and Australians focused party in the contest. We have a common sense broad policy platform that is practical and achievable if we can only get the opportunity to deliver our value into the communities.

I'm hopeful we can have further discussions after the election.

Thank you for your patience receiving and reading my response.
Kind Regards,

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