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LOWER MURRAY DARLING CMA WELCOMES NEW BOARD MEMBERS

Catchment landholders Mrs Patty Byrnes (Wamberra Station), Mr Gary Doyle (Petro Station), Mr Howard Jones (Dareton) and Broken Hill resident Mr Stan Dineen will continue as members of the CMA Board, thanks to their recent re-appointment by NSW Minister for the Environment and Climate Change, The Hon Carmel Tebbutt.

All were appointed as Board members of the CMA when it was first formed in January 2004, and are looking forward to continuing in the role for another three years.

Mr Vin Byrnes retires from the Board after 3 years of service. His years of experience in viticulture and the dried fruit industry, melded with his enthusiasm for the welfare of our rivers and the environment, provided advice and guidance to the CMA Board. We thank him for his diligence and hard work over that time.

New appointments are Mrs Patricia Palmer from Overnewton Station and Mr Barrie MacMillan a retired accountant from Gol Gol. Their background experiences in both business and community will ensure that they represent the Lower Murray Darling catchment residents to a high level.

The Board represent the diversity of our region and bring expertise and experience in community, government and industry activities, as well as an understanding of environmental, social and economic issues facing our catchments.

CMA Chairman Mr Mark King said "the re-appointments and new appointments provide some continuity for the CMA Board."

"The commitment that our Board members have made to the CMA and the communities they represent is considerable. We are extremely fortunate to have such a dedicated and well-qualified group of people, who are familiar with the inner workings of the CMA and understand of the expectations of their role," said Mark King.

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Photo caption: Mark King (LMD Chair) with new board members Barrie MacMillan and Patricia Palmer (LtoR – Barrie MacMillan, Patricia Palmer and Mark King)

