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Dams, let's get on with it!

Daniel McCarthy KAP candidate for Leichhardt has welcomed the announcement that CSIRO has six new potential dam sites on the radar.

Katter's Australian Party has long sung the praises of the Mitchell River & Hell's Gate dams to unlock the potential of North Queensland. Finally the penny has dropped. The government now realises we need more water to maintain and Grow the north.

"Water is our most precious resource, I call it Blue Gold, it's a truly renewable resource for both energy and irrigation" says Mr McCarthy.

Failing to capture and better utilise more water has been a real failure for our nation.

At the same time as welcoming the announcement of six new dam sites Mr McCarthy insists ***"the only way new dams will ever come into fruition is when we have a government with not only the will but also the guts and conviction to stand up to the extremists of the Green fringe. The days of allowing misguided ideology to hold our nation's future to ransom must end."***

As net importers of fruit and vegetables we should be ashamed that we stifle our own farmers chances and then import lower quality food products.

Unfortunately, governments have manipulated regional Queenslanders and exploited the desire for new dams. They trot out concepts and milk them through several election cycles but never make it happen. Nullinga Dam is a classic case in point having been 'on the drawing board' for over 50 years!

"People have had a enough of false promises, we need action on Dams. We know it doesn't just happen overnight, but we need to stop mucking around and get on with it" says Mr McCarthy.

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