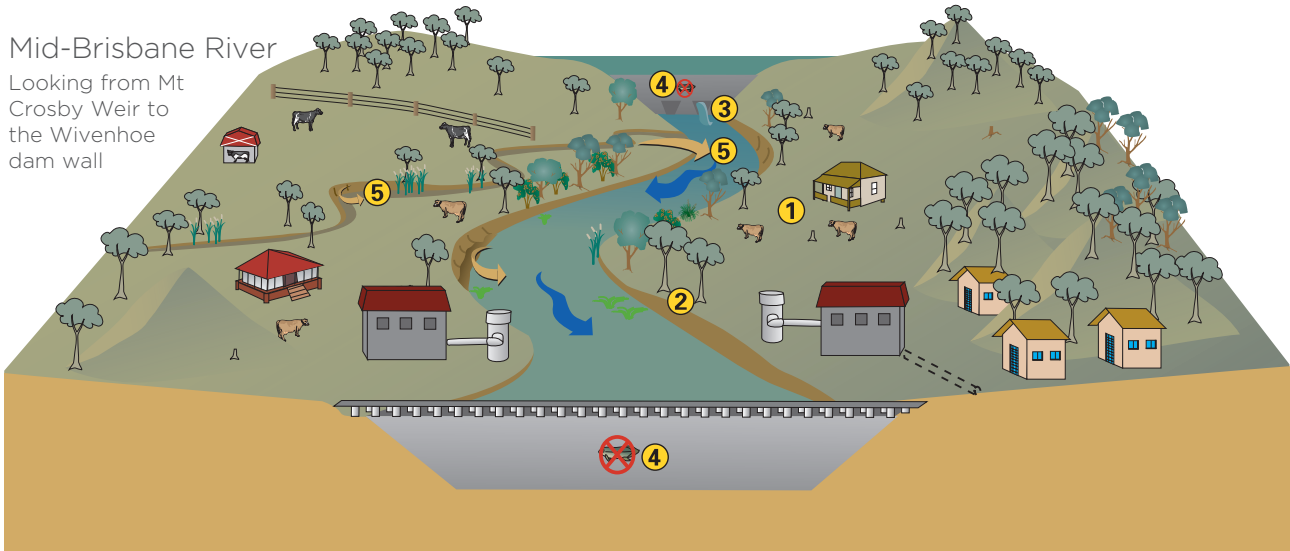







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Looking from Mt Crosby Weir to the Wivenhoe dam wall



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1 Catchment land-use dominated by natural forest, grazing and agriculture
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2 Riparian and river bank condition generally poor
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3 Water released from the dam creates a constant high flow of cold water
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4 The dam and weir create a barrier to the migration of fauna
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5 Poor quality water inputs from Lockyer Creek during large rain events

The Mid Brisbane catchment has an area of 518 km² with a population of 8,174. The total length of streams in the catchment is 366 km and the major land uses include natural forest, grazing, agriculture and urban. The Mid-Brisbane catchment is considered to be in poor health:

- The water is murky with suspended sediment.
- During high flow events, poor water quality enters from Lockyer Creek.
- Most of the riparian vegetation has been lost and the riverbanks are badly eroded.
- The diversity of aquatic animals has been greatly reduced because the dam walls have altered flow patterns and restricted movement between river sections.