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Darryl: After they built the dam the only compensation we were given was that we were given the right to freehold our pulled scrub country but we had to survey it and everything, but they gave us the right to freehold it and that was in 1977. Later on, these homesteads were hooked onto the freehold block because we reckon there was a living on that with these houses and if they took any more land off us, we still had the bit of freehold country and the houses. That is the only compensation they gave us, the right to freehold. We had to pay all expenses. Even around the houses here, when we hooked them on. There had been a road around the horse paddock since the dam was built, but we had to pay to get it surveyed off, we had to pay to get the high water mark surveyed around the top of the dam - all they did was give us the right.

Del: Did they pay you for any of the buildings, or the shifting of the buildings?

Darryl: No. You just get a resumption notice.