

What has the Eppalock Catchment Project demonstrated?

- 1. The main purpose of the Project was to minimize the amount of silt reaching Lake Eppalock. It has been estimated that already only one-sixth of the possible amount of silt is reaching the reservoir.**
- 2. As explained in this booklet production had been increased three-fold in many places and further increase will occur. There is a new stability and security.**
- 3. There is not the total dependency on wool as the source of income. Fat lambs and cattle are being raised.**
- 4. The Catchment is undergoing a transformation as a landscape, formerly littered with stumps, carrying sparse over-grazed native pasture, and sheet, tunnel and gully eroded, is being replaced by improved pastures, the healing of erosion, and the planting of thousands of trees.**
- 5. Not least importance is the demonstration that a large section of the farming community has shown over a considerable number of years that it is willing to work with and under the guiding control of a government organisation. The Project is a remarkable example of successful rural extension both in regard to its magnitude and results.**