The Murray Darling Basin Authority

When I went to the meeting at Griffith on the 14/10/10 expecting an explanation to the MDBA commissions guide to the plan, I believed that the people in authority in my country must have some reasons for implementing such a destructive policy.

But instead Mike Taylor gave a very poor presentation which showed he didn't even believe what he was trying to get the farming and Griffith community to believe. I came away from that meeting with the following.

- 1. The whole thing has been very poorly managed
- 2. There was a total lack of transparency
- 3. There now needs to be a great emphases on the enquiry.

Your plan is not acceptable it does not take into account the Social and economical impacts on our communities and only favours the environment with a simple flush our most precious resource down the river that will fix everything.

The other most simple solution to the whole mess is just BUILD ANOTHER DAM so that all the water now running out to sea could be held in storage for the dry times. Australia has always and will always have seasonal rivers that ebb and flow and we have never had wet lands that remain full of water all the time. These are the simple facts lets get some common sense into the debate.

This is just a thought the majority of Australians feel that it is not important to grow our own food we can just import what we need. But what happens in times of war or even natural disasters in those countries e.g. the North and South Koreans presently building up tensions in that region. We would not have access to imported food from China or perhaps anywhere. Doesn't that now become an issue for our National Security.

Please get some common sense back into this problem and make Australia strong and drought free we have the ability lets try.

Yours Faithfully

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