

I would like to present the points below as my submission to the Senate Inquiry in relation to the Federal Government handing environmental protection responsibilities to the states:

1. The State governments have a notoriously poor record when it comes to creating laws for the long term protection of our environment.
2. As proven by the Murray-Darling fiasco, the states have great difficulty co-operating when it comes to progressing environmental issues which cross state boundaries.
3. The state governments seem to be swayed too easily by pro-development forces to sacrifice our environmental assets.

Regards,

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