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Mr Tony Windsor MP

Dear Tony

Along with my family I have lived + farmed my whole life in Murray Valley between Finley + Jerilderie NSW. We are irrigation farmers + very proud of it. Mid '90's a cap was introduced + we all relinquished 17% of our water entitlements. During 10 yrs of horrendous drought, many people due to crippling debt have been forced to sell part or all of their allocation. Lillard + Wongest like to call these people, "Willing Sellers". No such thing. So were given back over 25% of our allocations out of the Basin + now it is proposed to take way more than that on top of what we've already lost. That would absolutely gut the Basin!

We've all had enough + we'll do whatever it takes, be it letter writing, meetings or all of our communities going to Canberra. We will fight to keep what we have. We are honest, hard working, tax paying, FOOD PRODUCING Aussies + we are continually being attacked + maligned + we've sick of it. With a growing population we need more food + the ability to grow more food is attempting to be taken away from us.

Tony please help us to keep our Basin both Sustainable + to Prosper
Yours
Michael Burke.