

The integrity of the water market in the Murray-Darling Basin

I write concerning the alleged theft of water from the Murray-Darling Basin.

Having travelled through much of the area around the Murray-Darling Basin, I was very disappointed to see how the Darling had been reduced to a series of holes rather than the magnificent flowing river that I recall in the past.

It is wasteful to siphon off so much water from the river and leave it in dams exposed to evaporation. It is also disappointing that irrigators closer to the headwaters of the river have apparently been 'allowed' to remove such large amounts of water from the river with no thought given to those people living and working downstream.

Please take action to investigate the alleged theft of water from the Murray-Darling Basin and allow a fair distribution of the water to other people downstream as well as for the environment.

Kind regards

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