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Dear Tony,

I can't understand why there is such an argument about water allocations from the Murray River when there are some very simple solutions to the problem. My suggestion is that we pay farmers a bonus for reducing their need for so much water.

Would it not be in the interest of everyone and everything if someone came up with the idea of giving farmers a bonus if they institute measures on their farm which reduce their need for water (e.g. drip irrigation, no open channels) and therefore when their water allocation is reduced then they will not suffer economically?

I would appreciate it if you would send me your ideas on this simple solution.

Yours faithfully

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