

Dear Prime Minister, and Ministers Wong and Garrett

As the elected leaders of our nation, it is not acceptable for you to pronounce that we may not be able to save the lower Murray and Coorong. Solutions are possible, you are all charged with getting the necessary action implemented.

In these circumstances, it is madness that the Brumby Government would consider extracting another 75gigalitres from the Murray Goulburn catchment. The case for improving the Victorian irrigation system, reducing loss of our valuable water resources through leakage, stands with any and all savings required "north of the divide" and for downstream water health, for agriculture, for drinking eg Adelaide, and for environmental flow.

Melbourne needs to improve it's own use of water, and adopt sustainable water options, not rob a drought stricken area by construction of the North-South pipeline. Put a stop to that water madness.

Yours sincerely

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