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INQUIRY INTO FLOODPLAIN HARVESTING

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Flood plain harvesting is destroying local Australian communities and the supposed economic benefits that this storage of water creates for select individuals creates long lasting damaging effects to the remaining regional communities. These effects include, lack of water reaching southern darling; rise in crime, drug use, suicides to communities impacted by the unregulated and illegal use of flood-plain harvesting.

Flood plain harvesting is illegal. We need to protect the biodiversity and the natural run of the river to create a fairer system for all users of the river along the entire river.