

Water and the State we are In !!!

A public meeting at the Woodville Town Hall
72 Woodville Rd, Woodville - SA 5011
Tuesday 14 October 2008, start 7.00pm

Chair

Jim Douglas

President, Western Adelaide Coastal Residents Assoc. (WACRA)
Vice-President, Friends of Gulf St Vincent

Speakers

Pat Harbison

President, Friends of Gulf St. Vincent

Peter Laffan

Chairperson, Save Our Gulf Coalition "Desalination is not the Answer"

Bob Giles

Community Fellow, Land and Water Australia

Jack Munday

Is the South Australian Government correct to commit to desalination in our marine environment irrespective of the environmental consequences?

Scientists say that the Gulf of St Vincent and the Spencer Gulf are most unsuitable places to put a desalination plant. They warn the marine life that makes each of these gulfs' ecosystems unique and commercially important are vulnerable to even small increases in salinity.

Why is the South Australian Government avoiding the harvesting of stormwater in the Western Suburbs?

We know that there's enough water falling on the Adelaide environs to sustain the city. Harvesting storm and wastewater has proved to be a cheaper and more environmentally friendly option, it would also reduce our reliance on the river Murray. The Salisbury Wetlands is a local working model that proves this to be true.

Which South Australian Government initiatives support their claim that the North-West Adelaide region is being water-proofed?

The estimate for a 100 year flood event is that the damage to 7,000 houses, hundreds of businesses and the Queen Elizabeth Hospital would bankrupt the State. The consequences to residents, businesses and the insurance industry would be horrendous. Add damage to schools and other infrastructure and the bill would be untold millions.

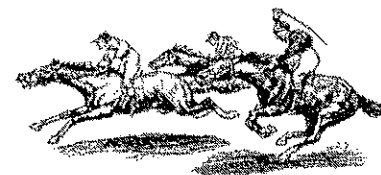
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