

Natural Resources Commissioner

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Dear Commissioner Williams,

Submission on River Redgums

I make this submission in respect to one particular aspect of your Preliminary Assessment Report. That area is Millewa in which I have had a personal interest for over 25 years. I believe that logging should cease and it should have the protection of a National Park because:-

- It is listed in the Living Murray Initiative as a "significant ecological asset" and is one of their six "Icon Sites".
- It is listed under the Ramsar Convention as a wetland of international importance because it provides nesting sites for 19 migratory birds.
- It provides habitat for 46 threatened fauna and 23 flora species.
- The Victorian Government has established a 95,000ha river redgum National Park on the opposite side of the Murray.
- Millewa is being logged unsustainably and at a loss by Forests N.S.W.

Yours faithfully,

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P.S. Could I please have a copy of your Preliminary and Final Reports.
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