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Subject - Pipeline, Macquarie River
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Dear Sir,

I do not understand why anyone would pipe water out of a river when there is a drought, draining special breeding (in good flows) and recovery water holes for the endangered and threatened native fish, trout cod, murray cod, macquarie perch, just to name a few of the very important fauna.

I would question the previous Mayor John Davis of Orange City Council, to why he would pay for an assessment so he could do just that. Is the man out of his mind or just old school and old ideas?

If this project is allowed to go ahead, then it is environmental vandalism on such a sensitive area.

There are alternatives, water tanks and recycling water, all industry and households should be water wise in this diverse Australian climate. I have a mini recycling water treatment plant on my property as well as a 10,000 gal water tank and the recycled water is fantastic for my garden especially when we are in drought.

Don't pipe water out of this very special river, it is just wrong, and thank you for taking the time to read my letter about my very valid and serious concerns.

Yours faithfully,

CA Pilcher.