

I wish to object to the hijacking of the word "sustainability". It used to mean something that could continue indefinitely without doing any harm. However your use of the word does not fit into this definition. A better word would be "net-benefit", so that the terminology would be a net-benefit strategy.

I realize that the term sustainability has "warm-fuzzy" connotations but really the government should be setting an example not only in the deed but in the words that it uses.

There does not seem to be any room in your strategies to take account of normal fluctuations which occur in the natural environment. Witness the problems created across Australia by the drought, and laughable assertions by Prime Minister Howard that he would "drought proof" Australia. Unfortunately the natural environment does not come with fixed parameters and allowance must be made for change in any project.

Thank you for the opportunity to have my say.

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