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Stability on the Basin Plan welcomed with return of Minister Littleproud to water portfolio.

The Murray Darling Association has welcomed the appointment of The Hon David Littleproud to the role of Minister for Water.

The MDA recognizes the recent commitment by Mr Littleproud to equip Basin communities with tools recover and restructure. The MDA also welcomes the recent declaration from Minister Littleproud that he would offer "certainty and leadership" regarding the Murray-Darling Basin Plan.

"We welcome the stability and leadership demonstrated by the Minister in this portfolio to date. We look forward to continuing in the same vein to ensure the Plan delivers a heathy Murray Darling Basin that supports thriving communities, economic development and sustainable productivity", MDA National President David Thurley said.

Water across the Murray-Darling Basin is a critical issue. The MDA is optimistic that the separation of Agriculture, Water and Environment into distinct but related portfolios will deliver a more robust set of outcomes across what is a complex landscape under the Murray Daring Basin Plan.

Background:

Scott Morrisons New Ministry

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