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MDA response to Almond Board of Australia Water Policy Position

The Murray Darling Association supports in principle the actions outlined in the Almond Board of Australia's recently adopted Water Policy Position regarding the Murray-Darling Basin.

“It is encouraging to see an industry that is currently supported by strong markets actively seeking out stronger regulation and registration in Basin water markets.’ MDA National President Cr David Thurley said

The MDA sees the actions outlined in the Almond Board's Policy Position as being in line with the views held by the MDA. The objective of the Almond Board of Australia is “To ensure the Murray Darling Basin river system and its environs are healthy and can sustainably support a prosperous, diverse irrigated agricultural sector and its communities.”

The MDA supports the implementation of a healthy Basin Plan and believes that the actions proposed by the Almond Board of Australia would benefit the application of the Basin Plan and help all stakeholders receive a favourable outcome.

Background:

[Almond Board of Australia Water Policy Position Paper](#)

[Almond Board of Australia Press Release: Almond industry urges moratorium on new water use licences pending capacity review](#)

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