

From: [Steven Broussos](#)
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Subject: Dear Greater Sydney Water Commission
Date: Wednesday, 29 September 2021 12:13:52 AM

Dear Greater Sydney Water Commission, I have some ideas for you:

1. In order to encourage more people to accept water recycling as a source of drinking water, we can learn from overseas. In Singapore, the water recycling facility is called "New Water". New Water is open to the public, where they can learn about the process of reverse osmosis and UV light to produce clean water. This tour single-handedly made me from a sceptic to a believer of the technology. Further, there are cities which store recycled water for a few weeks before releasing it into the water supply. For some reason, this encourages people to be more approving of the technology. If we learn from around the world, there are ways to make Sydneysiders more approving of the technology
2. Would it be feasible to build artificial waterways in order to supply the water supply? Could we look into the feasibility of that?
3. Cleaning water ways such as the Parramatta River would not only be good for the environment, but, if things get desperate, perhaps they could also serve as a last-resort water supply. After all, many rivers have plenty of water in them. I remember looking at the Georges River during the drought and thinking- why can't we drink that water? It would only be used as a last resort, and only when things get desperate
4. Greening the desert helps improve rainfall, and thus increases water levels. If we look into greening the desert, maybe then we could divert excess water across state

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Would it be possible to tap into Brisbane waters and other such fresh water bodies in times of drought?

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I'm wondering if it would be possible for Sydney to build artificial waterways using recycled sewerage?

The way this would work is that Sydney would clean all of its sewerage and make it potable, however, instead of pumping it into the water supply, Sydney could use it to build an artificial waterway. This artificial waterway could then be used as an alternate source of Sydney's water. In addition to being used as a source of drinking water, this waterway could also have plants planted along its banks and help to green the city. Additionally, it could even potentially be used as a place where Sydney could conserve endangered fresh water fish species. If the government does a good enough job of encouraging the public that the fish and other plants or animals in that waterway would make the water source more natural, and thus be more willing to drink that water. If the public are convinced that that waterway is treated like any natural waterway with fresh water life, it could go a step further in convincing the public that that water is clean. Simply dig a hole in the ground, pump recycled water into it, place some plants and fish in it, and place a pipe down stream. Whilst the water would already be clean when pumped into the water source, the public could be convinced that the life in that waterway would clean it further and clean it naturally. If there could be other water sources diverted to feed into that waterway, it could potentially also convince the public that that water also plays a part in purifying the recycled water, as clean water is added to it.

If that's feasible- there could perhaps even be two built parallel to each other. The first used to boost Sydney's water supply and create a larger fresh water fishing industry, whilst the second will be used for other uses, depending on its size.

Please consider the feasibility of this

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Hello,

I wonder why all our water has to come from dams? Why can't we also have water which comes from rivers? Place a pipe at Lower Portland to get water from the Hawkesbury River, build a pipe on the Colo River to collect water from there, a pipe at Forestville to collect water from the Lane Cove River, a pipe in Westmead to collect water from the Parramatta River, and/or a pipe in Lansvale to collect water from the Georges River.

They don't have to be used all the time, only during periods of reduced rainfall

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