

WATER 4LIFE

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1 PROTECT NATIONALLY SIGNIFICANT WATER SOURCES:

- ◆ Create no-go zones for coal and gas mining in nationally significant water resources and associated landscapes
- ◆ Strengthen the water trigger and extend it to fracking for shale and tight gas
- ◆ Conduct a national inquiry into mining rehabilitation in Australia

2 SUPPORT THE DINING BOOM:

- ◆ Create a new law to implement the goals of the National Food Plan and protect food-producing land from mining
- ◆ Mandate comprehensive environmental pollution insurance to be held by all coal and gas companies so that landholders don't bear all the risks
- ◆ Provide landholders and Traditional Owners with the right to say no

3 PROTECT THE HEALTH OF PEOPLE AND COMMUNITIES

- ◆ Establish a national Environment Protection Authority to administer a new Clean Air and Water Act
- ◆ Require Health Impact Assessments and strengthen the National Environment Protection Measures to control air and water emissions from coal and gas mining
- ◆ Establish a fairer playing field by ending the tax breaks and subsidies for mining giants and creating a Federal Independent Commission Against Corruption

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