

LAW AS LEADER IN COMMUNITY ATTITUDES AND SUSTAINABILITY G7

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ABSTRACT

Many Australian laws include seven aspects of Ecologically sustainable development such as the precautionary principle ,inter and intra generational equity .This is an example of law attempting to lead to changes in behaviour to reflect these goals (Teubner) One type of law is the move toward Aquifer Storage and Recovery ASR of stormwater in urban Australia. The policies and laws will require residents to change their behaviour in stormwater catchments to be less polluting and then for them to be happy to use the water for various non potable purposes such as toilet flushing, watering gardens and watering vegetables. This paper presents data from urban residents who do appreciate the benefit to future generations and the environment of ASR but were cautious about using the water.

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