

SUPPLEMENTARY WATER ACCESS FOR NSW MURRAY VALLEY IRRIGATORS, 2011 – 2012 SEASON

13 October 2011

The NSW Office of Water has announced today that access to a period of supplementary water access would be extended to NSW irrigators in the Murray Valley.

Under a dry scenario, with very little rain forecast and increasing demands, current flows in the reaches of the Murray upstream of Barmah are expected to be fully regulated by the they reach Lake Victoria in Mid November, Therefore, unregulated flow will cease in the River Murray upstream of Barmah on the dates indicated.

Irrigators with a notified history of use supplementary access license are able to access supplementary water.

This announcement also means that general security licence holders can access 'uncontrolled flows' as the general security available water determination is less than 60% of entitlement.

Please note that normal water sharing plan rules apply as per the NSW Murray and Lower Darling Water sharing plan from 1 July 2011.

The total diversion of uncontrolled flow carry over and general security water cannot exceed 110% of entitlement for the water year.

Customers wishing to access supplementary water must place a complying water order using one of the following options:

Accessing www.statewater.com.au and logging on to your iWAS account

Faxing your order to **1300 871 447**

Emailing your order to southorders@statewater.com.au

Telephoning your order to 1300 662 077 During business hours

Water order forms are available from the State Water web site www.statewater.com.au/water-order-application

At the completion of pumping supplementary water the finish reading must be notified by using one of the above four options. Failure to supply the finish reading will result in any water extracted being debited to general accounts.

Failure to provide this information will result in any water extracted being debited from ordinary accounts.

Customer Notice

The periods for access of supplementary water are as follows:

Section	Start 8:00am	Finish 8:00am
Murray River		
Hume Dam to Yarrawonga Weir		Not Available
Yarrawonga Weir to Barmah		Not Available
Barmah Bridge to Torrumbarry Weir	1 Oct	21 Oct #
Torrumbarry Weir to Barham	1 Oct	22 Oct #
Barham to Swan Hill	1 July	23 Oct *
Swan Hill to Murrumbidgee Junction	1 July	24 Oct *
Murrumbidgee Junction to Wentworth (Includes Darling Weir Pool)	1 July	26 Oct *
Wentworth Weir to South Australian Border	1 July	29 Oct *
Darling River		
Darling River from Menindee Lakes to U/S of Wentworth (Ashvale, excludes Darling weir pool)	Not Available	
Edward River		
Edward River offtake to Stevens Weir (Including Gulpa Creek)	1 Oct	21 Oct #
Stevens Weir to Wakool Junction	1 July	25 Oct *
Colligen / Neimur System		
Above Colligen Creek regulator (Including Wakool Canal)	1 Oct	21 Oct #
Colligen Creek regulator to Barham / Moulamein Rd	1 July	25 Oct *
Barham / Moulamein Rd to Mallan School	1 July	25 Oct *
Mallan School to Coonamit	1 July	25 Oct *
Wakool / Yallakool System		
Wakool Offtake to Barham Moulamein Rd	1 July	25 Oct *
Barham / Moulamein Rd to Gee Gee Bridge	1 July	25 Oct *
Gee Gee Bridge to Coonamit Bridge	1 July	25 Oct *
Coonamit Bridge to Wakool Junction	1 July	25 Oct *
Yallakool Creek from offtake to Wakool confluence	1 July	25 Oct *
Merran Creek System		
Offtake regulators to Swan Hill / Moulamein Rd	1 July	23 Oct *
Waddy Creek and Coobool System	1 July	23 Oct *
Swan Hill / Moulamein Rd to Wakool Confluence	1 July	23 Oct *

Extension Possible

* Extension Likely

Further advice will be provided on or before 20 October 2011.

Customers requiring further information on river flows may contact the Duty Operations Officer on 03 5898 3925.

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