

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

23 December 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.

The commencement of flood operations at Menindee lakes following recent heavy rain in the northern Murray-Darling Basin has resulted in the re-commencement of unregulated flow in the River Murray in the reaches shown above. The unregulated flows will continue until the dates shown and an advice will be provided on the 5 January 2011.

Please note that unregulated are not available in the River Murray upstream of Barham because of the current regulated release of environmental water for the Barmah-Millewa forest and other uses. It is also not available in the Edward River System due to flows being low or approaching minimums.

Note that the end dates shown above will be reviewed as necessary, taking into account developments in Menindee Lakes flood operations.

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

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](http://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](mailto: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](http://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
<b>Murray River</b>		
Hume Dam to Yarrawonga Weir		Not Available
Yarrawonga Weir to Barmah		Not Available
Barmah Bridge to Torrumbarry Weir	23 Dec 2011	11 Feb 2012#
Torrumbarry Weir to Barham	23 Dec 2011	13 Feb 2012#
Barham to Swan Hill	23 Dec 2011	15 Feb 2012#
Swan Hill to Murrumbidgee Junction	23 Dec 2011	17 Feb 2012#
Murrumbidgee Junction to Wentworth (Includes Darling Weir Pool)	23 Dec 2011	18 Feb 2012#
Wentworth Weir to South Australian Border	23 Dec 2011	29 Feb 2012#
<b>Darling River</b>		
Darling River from Menindee Lakes to U/S of Wentworth (Ashvale, excludes Darling weir pool)		As announced by NSW
<b>Edward River</b>		
Edward River offtake to Stevens Weir (Including Gulpa Creek)		Not Available
Stevens Weir to Wakool Junction		Not Available
<b>Colligen / Neimur System</b>		
Above Colligen Creek regulator (Including Wakool Canal )		Not Available
Colligen Creek regulator to Barham / Moulamein Rd		Not Available
Barham / Moulamein Rd to Mallan School		Not Available
Mallan School to Coonamit		Not Available
<b>Wakool / Yallakool System</b>		
Wakool Offtake to Barham Moulamein Rd		Not Available
Barham / Moulamein Rd to Gee Gee Bridge		Not Available
Gee Gee Bridge to Coonamit Bridge		Not Available
Coonamit Bridge to Wakool Junction		Not Available
Yallakool Creek from offtake to Wakool confluence		Not Available
<b>Merran Creek System</b>		
Offtake regulators to Swan Hill / Moulamein Rd	23 Dec 2011	15 Feb 2012#
Waddy Creek and Coobool System	23 Dec 2011	15 Feb 2012#
Swan Hill / Moulamein Rd to Wakool Confluence	23 Dec 2011	15 Feb 2012#

# Extension Possible

\* Extension Likely

Further advice will be provided if conditions change.

Customers requiring further information on river flows may contact the Duty Operations Officer on 03 5898 3924.

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