



SAFETY FIRST

Bush fire danger period ends

NSW Rural Fire Service has declared an end to the statutory Bush Fire Danger Period in the Mid Murray Zone area. Fire permits are no longer required for the Edward River, Murray River and Murrumbidgee local government areas. Members of the public should still abide by the law when conducting hazard reduction burns and all standard fire permit conditions still apply. For more information, call 03 5881 5351 or visit www.rfs.nsw.gov.au.

Attend EGM for positive change

Murray Irrigation Chairman Phil Snowden says tonight's Extraordinary General Meeting (EGM) is an opportunity for members to show their support for positive change at the board and governance level. "It's too late for proxies, so this is the last opportunity for members to show their support for reform and the extensive consultation we've done right across the footprint," he said. "Turn up and vote for change."

The EGM will be held at the Deniliquin RSL Club tonight (Wednesday 4 April). Registrations open at 6.00pm with the meeting to start at 7.00pm.

Bring your registration card to EGM

Members attending the EGM are to bring their registration card which includes a barcode specific to individual entities. The barcode will identify and register members accordingly. Customer Support staff will be on hand to assist.

EGM proxy voting closed

Members who did not lodge proxy forms for processing by the company before 7.00pm on Monday 2 April must attend in person for their vote to be counted in tonight's EGM. Proxy forms brought to the meeting that have not been processed will be invalid.

System to close 1 May

The Mulwala Canal offtake will close on Tuesday 1 May to allow PIIOP 3 works to commence. Customers should factor this closure date into their end of season planning. The system is expected to reopen early August. Full details will be released later this week.

Maintaining positive water balance

Customers are encouraged to monitor their water usage to maintain a positive balance in their water accounts. When an account balance reaches zero, all operating outlets will be finished by Murray Irrigation and a four-day wait for start orders may apply once the account returns to positive.

Customers can nominate to receive SMS or email notifications that their allocation account is approaching a zero balance. For more information, or assistance, contact Customer Support on 1300 138 265.

End of daylight saving

Daylight saving ended on Sunday 1 April. If you have any concerns about your water order and/or its finish time, contact Customer Support on 1300 138 265.

BCT native vegetation funding

The newly-established Biodiversity Conservation Trust (BCT) is calling for expressions of interest from farmers in the Western Murray Landcare area interested in earning annual payments to conserve biodiversity on their property. To be eligible, you need to be in priority areas within Berrigan, Edward River, Federation, Murray River and Murrumbidgee local government areas. EOIs are due Friday 13 April 2018.

Information sessions are being held at the Deniliquin RSL Club from 7.00pm tonight (coincidentally at same time as Murray Irrigation EGM) and at 'Old Coree' Jerilderie from 8.30am on Thursday 5 April. For more information, contact the BCT on 1300 992 688 or email info@bct.nsw.gov.au.

Board nominations close 13 April

Murray Irrigation is calling for nominations to fill shareholder director vacancies on its Board of Directors. Candidate nominations must be lodged by 5.00pm Friday 13 April, with voting to commence in late April. Murray Irrigation has prepared an Information Pack that gives an overview of the responsibilities and duties of a director, a description of the company's operations and candidate criteria. For more information, see <https://goo.gl/XxpJTB> or call 1300 138 265.

Independent directors

Murray Irrigation has engaged tier-one recruiting firm, Korn Ferry, to find suitable independent directors. For full details, see: <https://goo.gl/PAbTBT>.

Announced allocation

Class C General Security 51 %
Water resource distribution 8 %
(issued against Delivery Entitlements)

Water availability and usage

(04/04/18)

Vol. remaining % of entitlements 22 %
On-farm (incl. WEX Volume)
On-farm balance 182 GL
On-farm usage 694 GL

Water exchange

8.30am today

Water for sale 2,719 ML
Price range \$144 - \$179
Buy offer \$130
Yesterday's sales 355 ML
Price range \$130 - \$145

To buy water call 1300 781 431

Water use and trade data

28/03/18 – 03/04/18

Murray Water Exchange activity

Internal buyers (No. & ML) ... 39; 2,961ML
External buyers (No. & ML) ... 1; 760ML
Internal sellers (No. & ML) ... 27; 3,012ML
External sellers (No. & ML) ... 2; 709ML

Trade to and from licence (excl. Govt.)

Net trade 1,134ML (week) 50,882ML (YTD)

Crop weekly water use

GL used on farm 23 GL (62%
on annual pasture)

Channel flows today (ML/day)

	Actual	Capacity
Mulwala Canal	3,889	10,000
Wakool Canal	629	2,350
Escape flows	629	3,250

Rainfall and evaporation

28/03/18 – 03/04/18 Rain Evap
Finley 0.0mm 40.3mm
Tullakool 0.0mm 39.7mm

Storages

8.30am today (mdba.gov.au)

Dartmouth 3,419 GL 89 %
Hume 1,151 GL 38 %
Lake Victoria 243 GL 36 %
Menindee Lakes 255 GL 15 %
Total Storage 5,068 GL 55 %

Rivers

8.30am today (mdba.gov.au)

Murray @ Doctors Point 13,303 ML/d
Murray d/s Yarra Weir 8,422 ML/d
Goulburn @ McCoy's Bridge 2,824 ML/d
M'Bidgee d/s Balranald 278 ML/d
Darling @ Burtundy 65 ML/d
Flow to SA 6,003 ML/d
Murray to the sea 3 gates open

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