



SAFETY FIRST

Company infrastructure

For safety reasons, customers should never attempt to operate, obstruct or interfere with Murray Irrigation infrastructure. This includes installing temporary fencing near on-farm outlets. If customers wish to report a safety incident or concern, please contact Customer Support on T. 1300 138 265.

Allocation update Monday

DPI Water's next allocation statement is due Monday 17 July. Murray Irrigation will pass this information on to registered customers early Monday morning. Customers are reminded that they must subscribe to receive allocation announcements. To do so, login into your *Water ordering* account, or contact Customer Support on T. 1300 138 265.

Resource distribution credited today

The three percent water resource distribution announced last week will be credited to customer accounts today (11 July). The resource distribution has been made available to delivery entitlement holders who have paid all outstanding accounts up to and including the March 2017 quarter. For more information, contact Customer Support on T. 1300 138 265.

Updated fees

Murray Irrigation has updated its schedule of Standard Service Fees (Annexure B to Fees and Prices Policy). The change reflects the combined total of NSW Government fees associated with external permanent and temporary transfers of water. The fees became effective on 10 July. See: www.murrayirrigation.com.au/customers/fees-and-prices/.

Removal of Rice Growing Rules

Murray Irrigation has removed its Rice Growing Rules for this season in response to customer feedback. The company has undertaken to work with the Ricegrowers' Association of Australia (RGA) to develop guidelines that encourage sustainable rice production. Those guidelines are expected to be released in September 2017. Murray Irrigation will also remove the \$220 Rice Growing Administration fee. Reference to the fee will be removed from the Fees and Prices Schedule (Annexure A) at a later date.

Murrumbidgee IVT procedures

Customers are reminded that the account balance for Murrumbidgee Inter-valley Trade (IVT) is updated at 9.00am every day and is available through the WaterNSW website at: www.waterrsw.com.au/customer-service/trading/murrumbidgee. Be sure to monitor the website if you want to trade into or out of the Murrumbidgee Valley.

Paying invoices electronically

Customers are reminded that there's a discount of five percent if the company's June invoices are paid by Friday 25 August. It's important for customers to use their seven-digit customer number as their reference when making payments electronically so that payments are allocated correctly. The seven-digit customer number is clearly printed on all accounts, but if in doubt, call Customer Support on T. 1300 138 265.

PIIOP update

An update on Murray Irrigation's PIIOP project was distributed to customers on Friday 30 June. The update covers both Round 2 and Round 3 projects and can be viewed here: <http://mailchi.mp/6938d931264c/piiop-update-june-2017>. For more information, contact Customer Support on T. 1300 138 265.

June weather summary

The Bureau of Meteorology (BoM) reports that large areas of southern NSW experienced their lowest rainfall on record in June 2017. It was the equal fourth driest June across the Basin in 118 years of records. It's interesting to note that there have only been about seven *lower* June inflows since 1891.

Benchmarking evening

Southern Growers Inc. is hosting a panel and benchmarking evening at the Finley Recreation Reserve from 6.30pm on Monday 24 July. The night will look at the decision-making process farmers should apply when assessing return on investment for on-farm upgrades, new technology and system changes. Guests will have the chance to hear from local growers who have made the changes and Holmes Sackett Benchmarking. Supper will be provided. If you're interested in attending, contact Stephanie Chappell on M. 0417 444 750 or E. southerngrowersinc@gmail.com.

Michael Renehan, CEO

Announced allocation

Class C General Security 11 %
Water resource distribution 3 %
(issued against Delivery Entitlements)

Water availability and usage

(11/07/17)
Vol. Remaining % of Entitlements.....47 %
On-Farm (incl. WEX Volume)
On-Farm Balance..... 391 GL
On-Farm Usage 0 GL

Water exchange

8.30am today
Water for Sale 1,200 ML
Price Range \$109 - \$125
Buy Offer \$95
Yesterday's Sales..... 414 ML
Price Range \$95 - \$105
To buy water call 1300 781 431

Water use and trade data

04/07/17 – 10/07/17
Murray Water Exchange activity
Internal buyers (No. & ML)...10; 1,441ML
External buyers (No. & ML).....1; 546ML
Internal sellers (No. & ML).....18; 1,987ML
External sellers (No. & ML).....0; 0ML

Trade to and from licence (excl. Govt.)
Net trade -8,000ML (week) -10,000ML (YTD)

Crop weekly water use
ML used on farm..... 0GL

Channel flows today (ML/day)

Oftakes are closed.

Rainfall and evaporation

04/07/17 – 10/07/17 Rain Evap
Finley 23.4mm 7.6mm
Tullakool..... 14.2mm 9.4mm

Storages

8.30am today (mdba.gov.au)
Dartmouth.....3,025 GL.....78 %
Hume.....2,183 GL.....73 %
Lake Victoria.....423 GL.....63 %
Menindee Lakes767 GL.....44 %
Total Storage.....6,398 GL.....69 %

Rivers

8.30am today (mdba.gov.au)
Murray @ Doctors Point 4,573 ML/d
Murray d/s Yarra. Weir 4,985 ML/d
Goulburn @ McCoy's Bridge.....7,659 ML/d
M'Bidgee d/s Balranald..... 1,357 ML/d
Darling @ Burtundy..... 350 ML/d
Flow to SA..... 6,201 ML/d
Murray to the Sea 2 gates open

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