



Interim Board update

An update relating to important issues has been released by the interim board:

- Ballot for new future
- Addressing outstanding issues
- Board governance investigation
- Inter-Valley Transfer proposal
- Directors Van Beek and Snowden

Access the update here:

<https://goo.gl/BsuTsj>.

Election: Fill out every ballot paper

Members should now have received their ballot papers to elect three member directors to the Board of Murray Irrigation. Those with multiple votes will have received multiple ballot papers. Every ballot paper is equivalent to one vote; fill it out: make it count.

Members should also ensure they make their preferences count by numbering 1 to 7 on the ballot paper - but in any event, mark not less than three. The ballot closes at noon on Monday 28 May.

The candidates, in ballot order are:

- Ted Hatty
- Ryan Gleeson
- Noel Graham
- Steven Fawns
- Louis Kelly
- Noel Baxter
- John Bradford

Enquiries, including replacement ballot papers, should be directed to Wade Hadley (Australian Election Company) on 1800 224 420.

No allocation increase

Department of Industry – Water (DPI Water) announced this morning that general security entitlements for the NSW Murray remain at 51 percent. The update also included an outlook for the start of the 2018/19 irrigation season, assuming 'very dry' conditions for the remainder of the year, as well as possible improvement in water availability in 2018/19 under a range of inflow scenarios. See:

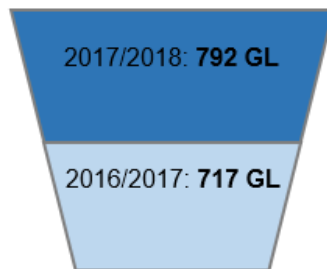
<https://goo.gl/k2n5L5>.

Contacting Customer Support

With the irrigation season now closed, customers can contact Customer Support from 7.30am to 5.00pm Monday to Friday on 1300 138 265. Outside these hours, leave a message and your call will be returned the next business day.

2017/18 water deliveries

Murray Irrigation delivered 792GL to customers this irrigation season, with 39 percent of that water used on rice. This is compared to 717GL at this time last year (54 percent on rice).



Trade closure dates

The dates for the close of external and internal annual trade for the 2017/18 season are:

- **5.00pm Monday 18 June**
 - Water Exchange closes for water trading and annual delivery entitlements.
 - Last day for internal transfer, purchase and payment of annual delivery entitlements to avoid casual usage charge.
- **5.00pm Thursday 21 June**
 - Last day to submit external transfers (MLs) to/from Murray Irrigation.
- **Midnight Sunday 24 June**
 - Internal annual transfers close.
 - Customer portal access to water accounts closes.

For further information, contact Customer Support on 1300 138 265 or see:

<https://goo.gl/qVyEoj>.

Water usage - Casual Usage Fee

Customers are encouraged to ensure they have a positive annual delivery entitlement (DE transfer limit) balance to prevent incurring the Casual Usage Fee. The last day for internal transfer, purchase and payment of annual delivery entitlements is Monday 18 June. For more information or assistance, contact Customer Support on 1300 138 265.

Water allocation accounts

Customers should consider their water allocation accounts (both volume and usage) prior to the end of the 2017/18 irrigation season. As accounts can only carry over up to 50 percent of their Class C water entitlements, customers need to balance any remaining allocation volume to avoid forfeiting volume exceeding the 50 percent limit.

Announced allocation

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

Water availability and usage

(15/05/18)

Vol. remaining % of entitlements 16 %
On-farm (incl. WEX Volume)
On-farm balance 130 GL
On-farm usage 792 GL

Water exchange

8.30am today

Water for sale 2,660 ML
Price range \$155 - \$220
Buy offer \$145
Yesterday's sales 0 ML
Price range N/A

To buy water call 1300 781 431

Water use and trade data

08/05/18 – 14/05/18

Murray Water Exchange activity

Internal buyers (No. & ML)...4; 477ML
External buyers (No. & ML)...1; 59ML
Internal sellers (No. & ML)...6; 536ML
External sellers (No. & ML)...0; 0ML

Trade to and from licence (excl. Govt.)
Net trade -404ML (week) 63,463ML (YTD)

Crop weekly water use

GL used on farm..... 2,697 ML (56% on storage)

Channel flows today (ML/day)

Offtakes are now closed.

Rainfall and evaporation

08/05/18 – 14/05/18 Rain Evap
Finley 6.8mm 16.9mm
Tullakool..... 1.2mm 18.1mm

Storages

8.30am today (mdba.gov.au)

Dartmouth.....3,422 GL.....89 %
Hume.....973 GL.....32 %
Lake Victoria.....237 GL.....35 %
Menindee Lakes223 GL.....13 %
Total Storage.....4,855 GL.....52 %

Rivers

8.30am today (mdba.gov.au)

Murray @ Doctors Point 1,901 ML/d
Murray d/s Yarra. Weir 6,620 ML/d
Goulburn @ McCoy's Bridge... 1,245 ML/d
M'Bidgee d/s Balranald..... 291 ML/d
Darling @ Burtundy..... 63 ML/d
Flow to SA..... 3,050 ML/d
Murray to the sea 2 gates open

This information is provided for general reference purposes only. Murray Irrigation takes best endeavours to ensure accuracy. It is collated at 8.00am Tuesdays and is subject to change.