



## MYTHS & LEGENDS

**The myth:** An accounting anomaly at the end of last season by WaterNSW has cost Murray Irrigation and its customers 40GL.

**The facts:** DPI Water announced at the beginning of the month a revision of 40GL to the total amount carried over in the NSW Murray from 2016/17. This revision was the result of incorrect debiting and has resulted in an extra 40GL of volume available for use in the NSW Murray (held in accounts). There is no negative impact for Murray Irrigation customers or any other water users in the NSW Murray.

## Voting closes next week

Ballot papers for Murray Irrigation's upcoming Director elections are due by **5.00pm Tuesday 24 October**.

## Allocation increases to 30 percent

DPI Water announced yesterday a **one percent increase** in general security entitlements allocation for the NSW Murray. This brings the total allocation to **30 percent** for Class C entitlement holders.

DPI Water also reported that, in accordance with the water sharing plan, 124GL of the Barmah-Millewa environmental water allowance borrow has been repaid. A further 63GL remains to be paid (equivalent to about four percent of general security improvement) after which, further improvement can again accrue to general security entitlement holders. Access a copy of the announcement here: <https://goo.gl/31pveq>.

## Allocation announcement delay

DPI Water experienced a technical glitch yesterday which caused a delay in their water allocation announcement. In future, the announcements will continue to be delivered prior to 6.00am. Why wait for second hand news? Subscribe directly to announcements here: <https://goo.gl/XZ8ZAd>.

## 2018 Winter Works

Twelve regulators along the Mulwala Canal have been identified for upgrade next year as part of Murray Irrigation's ongoing network modernisation program. Three

sites in the Wakool System and three escapes will also undergo major upgrades. In order to carry out these large-scale works a modified draining period must be implemented, including early dewatering of the Canal. More details will be provided in the coming months. Customers are encouraged to factor this into their planning. If you would like to discuss any potential impacts contact Customer Support on T. 1300 138 265.

## 6.30am deadline for order changes

Customers are reminded that changes to water orders effecting the current day must be made **before 6.30am**. Daily planning occurs at 6.30am, which finalises our customers water requirements. If you're unable to alter your order before this time, send a message using the *Water ordering system* or call T. 1300 138 265 and leave a message. The requested change/s will then be taken into consideration for the days plan. For more information contact Customer Support on T. 1300 138 265.

## Berrigan Canal construction video

Six structures along the Berrigan Canal were upgraded over the winter period, watch a video of the works here: [https://youtu.be/rpObz\\_QF02g](https://youtu.be/rpObz_QF02g).

## Wetland gets a taste of spring

Murray Irrigation and the NSW Office of Environment and Heritage (OEH) began watering the Boomanoomana wetland near Mulwala last week. The delivery of up to 400ML will inundate 72 hectares of wetland to maintain important native wetland flora. As part of the current agreement, OEH pays the same standard water delivery fees as other customers plus a conveyance loading. More info here: <https://goo.gl/j3nna1>.

## Deniliquin Caulfield Cup Races

Ticket sales for the AgQ marquee at the Deniliquin Caulfield Cup Races (Saturday 21 October) close this Thursday, 19 October. Tickets start from \$35.00: <https://goo.gl/YxunQ9>.

## National 'AgDay' photo competition

In the lead-up to National Agriculture Day (21 November), National Farmers' Federation is running a photo competition with \$2,000 in prizes up for grabs. Share your best food and farming photos with the hashtag #AgDay on Twitter, Instagram or Facebook. Finalists will be chosen to have their photos star in a national AgDay ad campaign. Visit: [www.agday.org.au/photo-competition](http://www.agday.org.au/photo-competition).

## Announced allocation

Class C General Security ..... 30 %  
Water resource distribution ..... 3 %  
(issued against Delivery Entitlements)

## Water availability and usage

(17/10/17)

Vol. Remaining % of Entitlements.....47 %  
On-Farm (incl. WEX Volume)  
On-Farm Balance..... 390 GL  
On-Farm Usage ..... 149 GL

## Water exchange

8.30am today

Water for Sale ..... 11,308 ML  
Price Range ..... \$141 - \$350  
Buy Offer ..... \$131  
Yesterday's Sales..... 3,497 ML  
Price ..... \$138 - \$144

**To buy water call 1300 781 431**

## Water use and trade data

10/10/17 – 16/10/17

### Murray Water Exchange activity

Internal buyers (No. & ML)...34; 5,134ML  
External buyers (No. & ML).....0; 0ML  
Internal sellers (No. & ML).....41; 5,027ML  
External sellers (No. & ML).....2; 107ML

### Trade to and from licence (excl. Govt.)

Net trade 335ML (week) -9,621ML (YTD)

### Crop weekly water use

ML used on farm..... 25 GL (38%  
on rice)

## Channel flows today (ML/day)

	Actual	Capacity
Mulwala Canal	4,317	10,000
Wakool Canal	1,122	2,350
Escape flows	750	3,250

## Rainfall and evaporation

10/10/17 – 16/10/17 ..... Rain ..... Evap  
Finley ..... 4.8mm ..... 35.6mm  
Tullakool..... 9.4mm ..... 33.3mm

## Storages

8.30am today (mdba.gov.au)

Dartmouth.....3,305 GL.....86 %  
Hume.....2,648 GL.....88 %  
Lake Victoria.....625 GL.....92 %  
Menindee Lakes .....615 GL.....36 %  
Total Storage.....7,193 GL.....78 %

## Rivers

8.30am today (mdba.gov.au)

Murray @ Doctors Point ..... 18,457 ML/d  
Murray d/s Yarra. Weir ..... 15,051 ML/d  
Goulburn @ McCoy's Bridge.....850 ML/d  
M'Bidgee d/s Balranald..... 1,073 ML/d  
Darling @ Burtundy..... 337 ML/d  
Flow to SA..... 8,867 ML/d  
Murray to the Sea ..... 5 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.*