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SAFETY FIRST

Essential Energy reminder

Damaged or fallen powerlines can come to light by flickering or interrupted power supply, burnt areas in paddocks or roadsides, injured or downed stock, smoke or fallen trees. If you see fallen or damaged powerlines, call Essential Energy on 13 20 80 immediately and in the meantime, stay clear and under no circumstances touch or attempt to move them.

2017/18 rice water usage

2017/18 rice water use figures are in:

- The average use was 13.3ML/ha across the Murray Irrigation footprint
- Due to the higher rainfall in the west in November and December last year, the maximum rice water use figures are abnormal for 2017/18:
 - Maximum rice water use in the **east** was 17.1ML/ha
 - Maximum rice water use in the **west** was 16.2ML/ha
- The average rice water use in the **east** was 13.6ML/ha
- The average rice water use in the **west** was 12.8ML/ha

Weather data be viewed here:

<https://goo.gl/ZD6KyV>.

Lawson Syphon upgrade

Stainless steel undershot roller gates have replaced 60-year-old wheel-operated regulating gates at the Lawson Syphon. The new gates will allow automated water control through the twin syphons that extend more than 700m under the Edward River. Manufactured from grade 304 stainless steel, the new gates have a design life of 50 years, reducing long term maintenance and infrastructure costs. View a photo of the installation here:

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

Shop for MILCast products online

Support your company and buy your precast concrete products from MILCast! View product features (detailed through shop drawings), specifications, prices and images here: <https://goo.gl/JecivJ>. Need

assistance to find the best solution? Call 03 5888 3051.

Trade closure dates

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

- **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

Full details here: <https://goo.gl/qVyEoj>.

MDBA River Murray weekly report

The MDBA reported widespread rainfall across the southern Murray-Darling Basin last week with the highest falls recorded across the southern slopes and ranges, 34mm was recorded at Hume Dam. The weekly update also stated that levels in Lake Mulwala remain low to help manage invasive aquatic weed *Egeria densa*. View the full report here: <https://goo.gl/Fe1pxn>.

Climate outlook

The Bureau of Meteorology's (BoM) seasonal outlook for July to September indicates the southeast mainland is likely to be drier than average. July is expected to be drier across the eastern half of mainland Australia, with parts of the southeast having a greater than 80 percent chance of a drier than average month. See BoM's outlook video here:

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

Getting Started – Bank Ready, postponed

The Young Farmer Business Project *Getting Started - Bank Ready* Wakool workshop has been postponed until Wednesday 8 August. Contact Alexandra Hicks on 0419 110 714 for full details.

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<https://goo.gl/4bi96B>.

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<https://goo.gl/5kLGjP>.

Announced allocation

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

Water availability and usage

(19/06/18)

Vol. remaining % of entitlements 17 %
On-farm (incl. WEX Volume)
On-farm balance 140 GL
On-farm usage 792 GL

WATER EXCHANGE has now closed.

Trading will recommence on Monday 2 July.

Water use and trade data

12/06/18 – 18/06/18

Murray Water Exchange activity

Water Exchange has now closed.

Trade to and from licence (excl. Govt.)

Net trade 2,409ML (week) 67,858ML (YTD)

Crop weekly water use

GL used on farm..... 0 ML

Channel flows today (ML/day)

Offtakes are now closed.

Rainfall and evaporation

12/06/18 – 18/06/18 Rain Evap
Finley 15.9mm 11.1mm
Tullakool..... 13.6mm 11.4mm

Storages

8.30am today (mdba.gov.au)

Dartmouth.....3,416 GL.....89 %
Hume.....1,210 GL.....40 %
Lake Victoria.....358 GL.....53 %
Menindee Lakes206 GL.....12 %
Total Storage.....5,190 GL.....56 %

Rivers

8.30am today (mdba.gov.au)

Murray @ Doctors Point 1,914 ML/d
Murray d/s Yarra. Weir 4,925 ML/d
Goulburn @ McCoy's Bridge.... 1,062 ML/d
M'Bidgee d/s Balranald..... 452 ML/d
Darling @ Burtundy..... 63 ML/d
Flow to SA..... 3,877 ML/d
Murray to the sea 2 gates open

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