



Channel filling program remains on schedule

Channel filling remains on schedule with offtakes opening 24 July and water delivery planned for no later than Wednesday 15 August 2019.

Water operations 2019/20 irrigation season

The company has enough resources to supply customers for the coming season and will open the irrigation season in a drought mode of operation.

This mode of operation is required to ensure we operate the system as efficiently as possible and maximise returns for customers and the company.

Key elements of this mode of operation include:

- Channels only being filled where orders have been placed by customers
- Six days' notice will be required for water orders – this will allow channel heights to be raised to operational levels
- Customers will need to call Customer Support to arrange stock and domestic supply.

What customers need to do:

- Place your water orders as early as possible. [Click here to place an order](#)
- Contact Customer Support, 1300 138 265, if you require stock and domestic supply.

Murray Irrigation will:

- Map customer demand on our channel system so that when water becomes available from the main canal, we will prioritise filling channels where there is demand
- Review all orders placed daily and deliver earlier than six days where possible
- Contact customers to advise when orders can be brought forward
- Provide flexibility, where possible, to meet customer's irrigation needs
- If pulsing for stock and domestic, advise customers on channel that water is available for stock and domestic

- Approve pumping from channels for stock and domestic in certain circumstances.

This information is contained in the Season Operating Plan, which will be distributed to customers soon.

WaterWell Update

The board recently endorsed the following WaterWell products for the 2019/20 irrigation season:

- 5% allocation advance will be available to customers once 1% general security allocation is reached.
- 5% Water Users credit will be applied to eligible customer outlets
- A sustainability product will be available to customers
- Resource Distribution will be allocated when conveyance savings are realised.

For further information on the WaterWell, [click here](#).

Contact Customer Support on 1300 138 265 if you require any further information on water operations for the 2019/20 season.

Winter Works continue

Drivers are reminded to slow down and follow all traffic management plans during Winter Works, even if they can't see staff working on site.

Bridge closure update

- Lower Finley Road bridge is closed. It is scheduled to re-open in a week
- Southdown Road bridge over the Deniboota has been closed and will open re-open once repairs are finalised in approximately seven weeks
- Berrigan Rd bridge has now been re-opened.

Phil Endley announced as new CEO

Phil brings a wealth of local and international industry experience to Murray Irrigation and will commence work on Monday, 5 August 2019. Read more [here](#).

MDBA weekly report – 17 July

MDBA active storage increased by 125 GL to 3,426 GL (41% capacity). This is significantly lower than recent years and approximately 2,400 GL below the long-term average. Read the full report [here](#).

Announced allocation

Class C General Security 0%
Water resource distribution 0%
(issued against Delivery Entitlements)

Water availability and deliveries

(23/07/19)
YTD deliveries 0 GL
Weekly deliveries 0 ML
Weekly crop usage (0%)
Customer account balance 58,334 ML
WE in customer accounts 828,238WE
Vol. % remaining 7 %

Channel flows today

Wakool Offtake 0 ML
Mulwala Offtake 0 ML
Billabong Escape 0 ML
Edward River Escape 0 ML
Perricoota Escape 0 ML
Wakool River Escape 0 ML

Water trade data

Net trade week 524 ML
Net trade YTD -7,509 ML

Water exchange data

(22/07/19)
Internal listings (No. & ML) 4; 533 ML
External listings (No. & ML) 0; 0 ML
Int. purchasers (No. & ML) 1; 20 ML
Ext purchasers (No. & ML) 0; 0 ML

Water for sale (22/07/2019) 882 ML
Weighted average sale price \$618
Price range (@22/07/2019) \$615 - \$800
Buy offer range (@22/07/2019) \$550 - \$490

Rainfall and evaporation*

16/07/19 – 22/07/19 Rain Evap
Finley 3.6mm 12.6mm
Tullakool 6.8mm 13.3mm

Storages*

8.30am today (mdba.gov.au)
Dartmouth 2,417 GL 63 %
Hume 952 GL 32 %
Lake Victoria 352 GL 52 %
Menindee Lakes 15 GL 1 %
Total Storage 3,736 GL 40 %

Rivers*

8.30am today (mdba.gov.au)
Murray @ Doctors Point 2,667 ML/d
Murray d/s Yarra Weir 10,303 ML/d
Goulburn @ McCoy Bridge 6,562 ML/d
M'Bidgee d/s Balranald 1,255 ML/d
Darling @ Burtundy 1 ML/d
Flow to SA 7,152 ML/d
Murray to the sea 0 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.

**Data sourced from [Murray Darling Basin Authority](#).*