

TalkingWater

Wednesday, 4 December 2019



Murray Irrigation

Annual General Meeting outcome

Murray Irrigation's AGM saw all but one resolution carried. The only special resolution not carried was [Special Business, Item Four – Hybrid meetings](#).

All changes have now been incorporated into the Company's Constitution, which can be accessed [here](#).

At the Board meeting following the AGM, Phil Snowden was once again elected as Chair. Noel Baxter was appointed Deputy Chair. Don Marples remains the Chair of the FARM committee, while Claire Filson takes on the mantle of Chair of the REM committee.

Changes to Stock and Domestic

From Friday 6 December 2019, stock and domestic supply (S&D) will revert to the drought mode of operation, as previously advised in the 2019/20 [Season Operating Plan](#).

The pulsing method initiative trialled over the last month has not realised the benefits and resource savings expected and therefore will not be continued.

Customers will need to call Customer Operations when they require S&D supply.

Under the drought mode of operation

- Channels will only be filled where orders have been placed by customers
- Six days' notice is required for water orders – to allow channels heights to be raised to operational levels.

Please call 1300 138 265 with any queries.

Water for Fodder

Eligible farmers will soon be able to apply to purchase water under the Federal Government's Water for Fodder program.

For more information on eligibility and to apply, click [here](#).

Water Exchange payments

Customers using the Water Exchange are reminded to check their bank account details when listing water through the customer portal.

To ensure customer's security, all bank account details were removed at the commencement of this season and will be updated as customers use the Water Exchange.

If bank details are incorrect, please contact Customer Support on 1300 138 265.

Bridge Works – slow down to 40km/h

Murray Irrigation bridge inspections and repairs are being finalised this week.

This week's bridge works focus around the areas of **Jerilderie, Tocumwal, Finley, Blighty and Mayrung**.

Please be mindful of workers carrying out maintenance under the bridges or in the channels and obey all traffic control measures.

September Quarter Invoices due

September 2019 Quarter Invoices are due this Friday, 6 December 2019.

The balance brought forward on your invoice includes any eligible rebates from WaterNSW as well as any Sustainability Product invoices which are now overdue.

If you are unable to make payment by Friday, please contact Finance prior to then via Customer Support 1300 138 265

MDBA weekly report (as at 27 Nov)

In the past week MDBA total active storage reduced by 64 GL to 3,440 GL (42% capacity). Read full report [here](#).

Drought Support for Customers

Drought Response Initiatives

The drought support page for customers is now on Murray Irrigation [website](#).

Below are some of the current activities available as part of the *Drought Response Initiative*.

WiFi/Printing Support for Customers

Murray Irrigation welcomes customers to utilise the company WiFi and printing to assist with drought related matters.

Facilities are available in Deniliquin and Finley offices within business hours, and in Wakool office by appointment (call 1300 138 265).

Drought Funding subsidised training

Subsidised skills training for farmers and regional businesses impacted by the drought.

Expressions of Interest (EOI) for those looking to complete training that will help diversify and produce off-farm income. Submit your [EOI form](#) to jacqueline.walsh@tafensw.edu.au.

Announced allocation

Class C General Security	0%
Allocation Advance.....	5%
Water resource distribution	2%
(issued against Delivery Entitlements)	

Water availability and deliveries

(26/11/19)	
YTD deliveries.....	94,325 ML
Customers.....	38,323ML
DPIE Deliveries.....	6,017 ML
WaterNSW Deliveries.....	49,985 ML
Weekly deliveries	7,630 ML
Weekly crop usage..... (29% Summer crop)	
Customer account balance.....	104,436 ML
WE in customer accounts.....	824,200 WE
Vol. % remaining	13 %

Channel flows today

Wakool Offtake.....	79 ML
Mulwala Offtake	632 ML
Billabong Escape.....	250 ML
Edward River Escape.....	0 ML
Perricoota Escape	100 ML
Wakool River Escape	0 ML

Water trade data

Net trade week.....	-1,223 ML
Net trade YTD.....	- 8,012 ML

Water exchange data

(03/12/19)	
Internal listings (No. & ML).....	17;753.62 ML
External listings (No. & ML).....	0;0 ML
Int. purchasers (No. & ML).....	15;269.25 ML
Ext purchasers (No. & ML).....	5;181.76 ML

Water for sale @ 03/12/2019...	4,068.91 ML
Weighted average sale price	\$617.65
Price range @ 25/11/19.....	\$620 - \$1000
Buy offer range @ 25/11/19 ..	\$580 - \$200

Rainfall and evaporation

27/11/19 – 03/12/19 (weather.csiro.au)		
..... Rain	Evap	
Finley	9.9mm	58.8mm
Tullakool.....	8.8mm	58.9mm

Storages*

8.30am yesterday (mdba.gov.au)		
Dartmouth	2,078 GL ↓	54 % ↓
Hume	991 GL ↓	33 % ↓
Lake Victoria	514 GL ↓	76 % ↑
Menindee Lakes.....	10 GL --	1 % --
Total Storage.....	3,593 GL ↓	39 % ↓

Rivers*

8.30am yesterday (mdba.gov.au)	
Murray @ Doctors Point	10,970 ML/d
Murray d/s Yarra. Weir	8,814 ML/d
Goulburn @ McCoy Bridge.....	1,270 ML/d
M'Bidgee d/s Balranald.....	1,276 ML/d
Darling @ Burtundy.....	1 ML/d
Flow to SA.....	6,496 ML/d
Murray to the sea	1 gates open

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