

TalkingWater

Tuesday, 24 March 2020



Murray Irrigation

COVID-19 – Murray Irrigation update

Murray Irrigation has implemented measures to reduce the potential spread of COVID-19, in-line with Australian Government recommendations.

Effective from 4pm, Wednesday, 25 March 2020, our Finley and Deniliquin offices will be closed to customers with only limited staff on site.

We encourage customers to use our online customer portal or contact our Customer Operations team, between 7am and 7pm, on 1300 138 265 or email customersupport@murrayirrigation.com.au if they have any queries.

We aim to minimise the disruption to services and ask for your patience and understanding as we enter these unprecedented times.

We encourage customers to pay their accounts by calling us, BPAY, or other electronic means.

Cheques can be posted to Murray Irrigation at PO Box 528, Deniliquin, or deposited at a Commonwealth Bank ATM.

We are confident the measures we have implemented will allow us to satisfy water orders for the remainder of the season.

Bridge Works

Murray Irrigation's current package of bridge remediation works will be finalised as of tomorrow, Wednesday, 25 March 2020.

Thank-you for your patience and compliance with the road restrictions that were in place, which allowed our workers to complete the works efficiently, safely and ahead of schedule.

Landholder funded works

Requests for landholder funded works need to be submitted by COB Wednesday, 1 April 2020, to be considered for completion during the winter closure period.

Contact our Customer Operations team on 1300 138 265 to discuss.

Murray Irrigation emergency line

Customers are reminded that Murray Irrigation has a 24/7 emergency line for operational emergencies (failure of MIL infrastructure, significant flooding or severe damage).

The emergency line can be accessed by calling 1300 657 313.

This line is for emergencies only, all other enquiries should be directed to Customer Operations on 1300 138 265 between 7am – 7pm.

First Aid/Manual Handling (AgSkilled)

Fully subsidised for grain and cotton growers.

When: May/June – a one day class (date to be advised) - 9am – 5pm

Where: Deniliquin or Finley TAFE.

Fill out your EOI [here](#). Limited numbers per class.

Trailblazer Sustainable Irrigation Awards

Applications have now opened for the Australia and New Zealand Zimmatic Trailblazer Sustainable Irrigation Awards.

The Awards are designed to recognise those farmers who are making a difference in their irrigation operations and will celebrate excellence by recognising farmers leading the way in responsible irrigation, innovative water management and environmental stewardship.

Click [here](#) for more information and registration.

Tweet us

Have you followed Murray Irrigation on Twitter yet?

Follow us to receive real-time updates, and company announcements as Australia navigates COVID-19.

Follow Murray Irrigation's official account @irrigation_news [here](#).

Announced allocation

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

Water availability and deliveries

(24/03/20)

YTD deliveries.....	232,428 ML
Customers.....	63,785 ML
DPIE Deliveries.....	12,945 ML
WaterNSW Deliveries.....	155,698 ML
Weekly Deliveries.....	5,394 ML
Weekly crop usage...74% (Annual Pasture)	
Customer account balance.....	67,559 ML
WE in customer accounts.....	825,219 WE
Vol. % remaining	8%

Channel flows today

Wakool Offtake.....	228 ML
Mulwala Offtake	1,169 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.....	940 ML
Net trade YTD.....	-12,692 ML

Water exchange data

(23/03/20)

Internal listings (No. & ML).....	4;178.7 ML
External listings (No. & ML).....	0;0 ML
Int. purchasers (No. & ML).....	14;425.0 ML
Ext purchasers (No. & ML).....	0;0 ML

Water for sale @ 23/03/20.....	4,374.17 ML
Weighted average sale price.....	\$449
Price range @ 23/03/20.....	\$468 - \$800
Buy offer range @ 23/03/20.....	\$421 - \$375

Rainfall and evaporation

17/03/20 – 23/03/20 (weather.csiro.au)

.....	Rain	Evap
Finley	0mm	50.4mm
Tullakool.....	0mm	55.6mm

Storages*

8.30am today (mdba.gov.au)

Dartmouth	1,802 GL	↔	47 %
Hume	431 GL	↓	14 %
Lake Victoria	245 GL	↓	36 %
Menindee Lakes.....	147 GL	↑	8 %
Total Storage.....	2,625 GL	↑	28 %

Rivers*

8.30am today (mdba.gov.au)

Murray @ Doctors Point	10,751 ML/d
Murray d/s Yarra. Weir	7,312 ML/d
Goulburn @ McCoy Bridge.....	844 ML/d
M'Bidgee d/s Balranald.....	820 ML/d
Darling @ Burtundy.....	0 ML/d
Flow to SA.....	5,097 ML/d
Murray to the sea	1 gate 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.