



## Ordering Water

Customers will automatically be offered the earliest available date for water delivery when placing orders.

This date is based on the systems current capacity.

If you would like to request an earlier date, please submit an *unsatisfied order*.

All unsatisfied orders are assessed, and customers are notified if earlier delivery can be offered or if restricted flow rates may apply.

To guarantee supply, four days' notice should always be provided.

These changes are in line with Mode Two operations and increased water availability.

## Meeting with the Minister for Water

The Federal Minister for Water, Hon Keith Pitt, met with multiple advocacy groups last week in a series of virtual sessions.

Murray Irrigation emphasised the critical importance of the Choke 'net trade rules' for the protection of the Southern Riverina.

We also raised the idea of more environmental water to be used in our region, suggested funding opportunities to benefit the region, and the urgency of improving the reliability of the NSW General Security Water Entitlements.

## December quarter rebate

We have received notification from Water NSW that the Drought Relief rebate is being extended into the 2020/21 season.

The rebate applies to the Government Water Entitlement fixed charges only.

Once confirmation is received from Water NSW regarding the full details, we will apply the rebate to the second quarter invoice for eligible customers and a statement will be issued.

Until then, your account is due and payable as indicated.

## Are you receiving Talking Water by fax?

We strive to bring you relevant, up-to-date information in our Talking Water newsletter.

Recently we have investigated other ways to deliver it to you.

The latest edition will be delivered straight to you as a web-based format via text with a fresh new look, as well as in your emails, so you don't miss a thing.

However, those who currently receive it by fax may be impacted.

*Is that you? Call us today to discuss.*

## St Vincent de Paul - Drought Assistance

Eligible farmers, farm workers or farm suppliers/contractors who are doing it tough because of the drought, may be entitled to receive a one-off payment of up to \$3,000 funded by the Australian Government's Drought Community Support Initiative Round 2 (DCSI).

Click [here](#) for FAQs, further information or to apply.

## Murray Irrigation emergency line

Customers are reminded that Murray Irrigation has a 24/7 emergency line that should be utilised for all emergency situations.

The emergency line can be accessed at any time by calling T. 1300 657 313.

This line is reserved for emergencies only, and all other enquiries should be directed to Customer Support on T. 1300 138 265.

Last issued quarter – Two (December)

Issue date – Friday, 22 January 2021

Due date – Monday, 1 March 2021

**Sept 2020 invoices are now overdue.**

### Last week's edition

- GS water allocation
- streamlining services
- contact information
- discharging water
- office access and QR code
- blue-green algae
- RGA AGM - Tomorrow

## Announced allocation

Class C General Security.....46%  
Allocation Advance.....5%  
Water resource distribution ..... 6%  
(issued against Delivery Entitlements)

## Water availability and deliveries (27/01/2021)

YTD deliveries.....471,241 ML  
Customers.....327,248 ML  
DPIE Deliveries.....19,681 ML  
WaterNSW Deliveries.....124,612 ML  
Weekly Deliveries.....42,844 ML  
Weekly crop usage.....65% (Rice)  
Customer account balance.....358,944 ML  
WE in customer accounts..... 822,429 WE  
Vol. % remaining.....44%

## Channel flows today

Wakool Offtake.....800 ML  
Mulwala Offtake.....3,540 ML  
Billabong Escape.....250 ML  
Edward River Escape.....2,000 ML  
Perricoota Escape.....70 ML  
Wakool River Escape.....0 ML

## Water trade data

Net trade week.....7,338 ML  
Net trade YTD.....2,150 ML

## Water exchange data (26/01/2021)

Internal listings (No. & ML)..46;5,873.86 ML  
External listings (No. & ML).....0;0.00 ML  
Int. purchasers (No. & ML)...59;4,695.60 ML  
Ext purchasers (No. & ML).....0;0.00 ML

Water for sale @ 26/01/21.....9,018.48 ML  
Weighted average sale price.....\$127  
Price range @ 27/01/21.....\$124 - \$300  
Buy offer range @ 27/01/21.....\$115 - \$70

## Storages\*

mdba.gov.au  
Dartmouth.....2,395 GL -..... 62 % -  
Hume.....1,641 GL ↓.....55 % ↓  
Lake Victoria.....334 GL ↓.....49 % ↓  
Menindee Lakes.....326 GL ↓.....19 % ↓  
Total Storage.....4,696 GL ↓.....51 % ↓

## Rivers\*

Murray @ Doctors Point.....15,090 ML/d  
Murray d/s Yarra. Weir.....9,553 ML/d  
Goulburn @ McCoy Bridge.....1,077 ML/d  
M'Bidgee d/s Balranald.....1,048 ML/d  
Darling @ Burtundy.....214 ML/d  
Flow to SA.....9,121 ML/d  
Murray to the sea......0 gate open

\*This information is provided for general reference purposes only. We take best endeavours to ensure accuracy.

## Resource links

[MDBA weekly report](#)

[NSW Water allocation statements](#)

[Rainfall and evaporation](#)

[Barmah Choke trade balance](#)