

Talking Water

Tuesday 29 January 2013



Murray Irrigation

Delivery restrictions update

Delivery restrictions have now significantly eased across Murray Irrigation's area of operations, with very few customers presently affected.

Some channel systems supplied by the Wakool Canal offtake are still subject to restrictions. Customers affected are aware of restrictions that apply to them.

Murray irrigation continues to monitor the potential for restrictions to occur on a daily basis and continues to encourage customers to provide as much notice as possible when placing start and increase orders.

Customer meetings

Murray Irrigation will be holding several customer meetings in February. Topics to be discussed include: Murray-Darling Basin Plan, PIOP and Pilot rollout, Fees and Prices Policy review, levels of irrigation service and environmental policies review. Customers are encouraged to attend.

Dates, times and venues are as follows:

- Monday 11 February at the **Noorong Hall** from 9.00am to 11.00am.
- Tuesday 12 February at the **Bunnaloo Community Hall** from 9.00am to 11.00am.
- Wednesday 13 February at the **Pretty Pine Recreation Reserve** from 9.00am to 11.00am.
- Thursday 14 February at the **Blighty Recreation Reserve** from 9.00am to 11.00am.
- Friday 15 February at the **Finley RS Club** from 11.00am to 1.00pm (lunch provided).

For more information, call reception on T. 03 5898 3300.

Quarterly accounts

Murray Irrigation second quarter accounts for 2012/13 were sent to customers last week. If you have not received an invoice, please contact our Finance team, via reception, on T. 03 5898 3300.

Accounts are due by 5.00pm **Friday 22 February**. To be eligible for the 10 percent discount, all accounts must be paid before this date.

Annual transfers

Customers are reminded that annual transfers from the Murrumbidgee Valley to the Murray Valley close this week. Applications must be received by Murray Irrigation by 5.00pm tomorrow, **Wednesday 30 January** in order to meet the deadline. This deadline is a requirement of the Murrumbidgee River Water Sharing Plan.

PIOP recruitment

Murray Irrigation is presently seeking to fill two positions to assist delivery of our Private Irrigation Infrastructure Operators Program (PIOP). The company is seeking a Principal Project Manager and a Customer Consultation Supervisor.

Full details can be found on our website www.murrayirrigation.com.au (click on *Corporate* then *Jobs and Tenders*), or by calling reception on T. 03 5898 3300.

MILCast products

The MILCast product range continues to grow, evident by the recent development of a six-foot bay outlet. The new bay outlet generated plenty of interest at the recent International Dairy Week Field Day in Tatura.

MILCast is a wholly owned business unit of Murray Irrigation that designs, manufactures and supplies precast concrete products for agricultural and commercial uses.

To access our MILCast catalogue, visit www.murrayirrigation.com.au and click on 'MILCast'. You can also visit the display area at our Finley office on the corner of Newell Highway and Murray Hut Drive, or call T. 03 5888 3000 to speak to our friendly team.

Dartmouth to Hume transfers

The MDBA reports that 'harmony' transfers from Dartmouth Reservoir to Lake Hume commenced last week due to continued hot, dry conditions and a high demand on water. One aim of harmony transfers is to provide additional flood mitigation capacity at Dartmouth Reservoir for the coming winter and spring seasons without impinging upon the security of supply to downstream water users.

Anthony Couroupis
General Manager

Announced allocation

Class C General Security	100 %
Class B High Security	100 %
Class A Town Water	100 %
Water Efficiency Allocation	7 %

Water availability & usage

(29/01/13)	
Vol. Remaining % of Entitlements	44%
On-Farm (incl. WEX Volume)	
On-Farm Balance	401 GL
On-Farm Usage	872 GL
Comprising:	
On-Allocation Usage	793 GL
Off-Allocation Usage	79 GL

Water exchange

8.30am today	
Water for Sale	6,837 ML
Price Range	\$56 - \$95
Buy Offer	\$42
Last 10 Sales	505 ML
Price Range	\$54 - \$57

To buy water call 1300 781 431

Channel flows

Today	
Mulwala Canal	7,900 ML/day
Capacity	10,000 ML/day
Wakool Canal	1,800 ML/day
Capacity	2,350 ML/day
Total Escape Flows	1,683 ML/day

Rainfall & evaporation

15/01/13 – 29/01/13	Rain	Evap
Finley	0.0mm	143.6mm
Tullakool	0.0mm	143.4mm

Storages

8.30am today (mdba.gov.au)		
Dartmouth	3,782 GL	98 %
Hume	1,900 GL	63 %
Lake Victoria	N/A	N/A
Menindee Lakes	1,106 GL	64 %
Active Storage	N/A	N/A

Rivers

8.30am today (mdba.gov.au)	
Murray @ Jingellic	4,158 ML/d
Mitta Mitta @ Tallandoo	2,420 ML/d
Murray @ Doctors Point	20,179 ML/d
Murray d/s Yarra. Weir	9,636 ML/d
Goulburn @ McCoy's Bridge	1,572 ML/d
M'Bidgee d/s Balranald	454 ML/d
Darling @ Wilcannia	214 ML/d
Darling @ Burtundy	3,987 ML/d
Flow to SA	N/A
Murray @ Murray Bridge	0.77 m
Murray to the Sea	N/A

**Tune into 'On The Land' every
Tuesday from 6.45am on 1521
2QN.**