



SAFETY FIRST

Responding to an emergency

Everyone should be aware of what to do in an emergency. You should have a response procedure in place to deal with accidents and emergencies. In setting up an emergency plan, consider the following:

- Who is trained in first aid;
- Communication arrangements with employees;
- Knowing who does what and in what order if an emergency occurs;
- Emergency services contact details and information such as directions from the nearest town, description of entrance to your property, significant landmarks and GPS location;
- How to provide for the safe and rapid evacuation of the injured person to the nearest hospital or medical centre.

Allocation announcement

DPI Water this morning announced a **one percent increase** in general security entitlements allocation. As a result, Murray Irrigation's allocation is now **15 percent** for general security (Class C) entitlement holders. The latest DPI Water announcement is available in the 'Water Resources Updates' section of the Murray Irrigation website:

www.murrayirrigation.com.au.

Murrumbidgee IVT trade

An analysis of trades from the Murrumbidgee to the Murray during the 24 hours the IVT was open shows that 55 trades occurred moving 41GL of allocation into the Murray Valley. Of those, 36 were zero value (or \$1) trades while the average price paid for the remaining 19 trades was \$230/ML, ranging from \$200-\$250/ML. For information on the IVT go to www.waternsw.com.au/customer-service/trading/murrumbidgee.

Customer service appointments

Water Distribution Manager Scott Barlow will be working from the Murray Irrigation Finley office on Fridays and the Wakool office on Mondays, until further notice. Scott will be available for either drop-in (opportunistic) or scheduled appointments.

Appointments and enquiries can be made by calling T. 1300 138 265, or emailing scott.barlow@murrayirrigation.com.au.

Position vacant

Murray Irrigation is currently advertising to fill the position of Accounts Receivable Officer. This is a maternity relief position for up to 12 months and shall be remunerated as a casual employee.

Applications close 5.00pm this Friday 4 December. For full details, visit the 'Corporate' then 'Jobs and tenders' section of our website: www.murrayirrigation.com.au.

Merge/consolidate water accounts

Customers are reminded of the benefits of merging or consolidating water accounts, these include financial and end of season benefits. The fact sheet *Merging or Consolidating Water Accounts* is available via the 'Customers', then 'Customer information' and 'Fact sheets' section of our website: www.murrayirrigation.com.au. Customers interested are encouraged to discuss the different options with Water Trade staff, via reception on T. 1300 138 265.

MDB Ministerial Council

The Murray-Darling Basin Ministerial Council met last Friday 27 November. The Council noted the low inflows into storages and the pressure irrigators, water users and communities come under in such circumstances. Ministers emphasised their commitment to achieve offsets of the full 650GL under the SDL adjustment mechanism and agreed to revise the assessment timelines to give states more time to finalise projects. However, the agreed package must still be finalised by 30 June 2016. For full details, visit: www.mdba.gov.au/media-pubs/lgf-communications, or www.water.nsw.gov.au/about-us/ministerial-media-releases/ministerial-releases.

New CEO for MDBA

Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources, Barnaby Joyce, has announced the appointment of Phillip Glyde as Chief Executive of the Murray-Darling Basin Authority (MDBA). Mr Glyde has been Deputy Secretary of the Department of Agriculture since 2006 and in that time has led agricultural and drought management policy reform. He commences at the MDBA in the New Year.

Michael Renehan, CEO

Announced allocation

Class C General Security 15 %
Water Efficiency Allocation 3 %
(Efficiency Allocation on Delivery Entitlements)

Water availability and usage

(01/12/15)
Vol. Remaining % of Entitlements.....23 %
On-Farm (incl. WEX Volume)
On-Farm Balance..... 195 GL
On-Farm Usage 134 GL

Water exchange

8.30am today
Water for Sale 6,358 ML
Price Range \$269 - \$1,000
Buy Offer..... \$260
Yesterday's Sales..... 640 ML
Price Range \$268 - \$269
To buy water call 1300 781 431

Water use and trade data

24/11/15 – 30/11/15
Murray Water Exchange activity
Internal buyers (No. & ML).....6; 1,144ML
External buyers (No. & ML).....1; 245ML
Internal sellers (No. & ML)..... 13; 1,189ML
External sellers (No. & ML)..... 1; 200ML

Trade to and from licence (excl. Govt.)

Net trade...1,242ML(week)...37,584ML(YTD)
Crop weekly water use
ML used on farm.....N/A

Channel flows today (ML/day)

	Actual	Capacity
Mulwala Canal	2,615	10,000
Wakool Canal	205	2,350
Escape flows	1,857	3,250

Rainfall and evaporation

24/11/15 – 30/11/15 Rain Evap
Finley 0.0mm 60.0mm
Tullakool..... 0.6mm 69.3mm

Storages

8.30am today (mdba.gov.au)
Dartmouth.....2,184 GL.....57 %
Hume.....1,351 GL.....45 %
Lake Victoria.....601 GL.....89 %
Menindee LakesN/A.....N/A
Active Storage.....N/A.....N/A

Rivers

8.30am today (mdba.gov.au)
Murray @ Doctors Point 13,369 ML/d
Murray d/s Yarra. Weir 9,953 ML/d
Goulburn @ McCoy's Bridge456 ML/d
M'Bidgee d/s Balranald..... 760 ML/d
Darling @ Burtundy..... N/A
Flow to SA..... 5,692 ML/d
Murray to the Sea 0 gates open