



SAFETY FIRST

Winter fire safety

Each year, Fire and Rescue NSW attends approximately 4,500 residential fires in NSW with approximately 30 percent of them occurring in winter months. The key to reducing the risk of fire occurring in your home is being prepared. To access important fire safety resources, including checklists to better prepare your home, visit: www.fire.nsw.gov.au/.

Annual transfer closure

Customers are reminded that all internal annual transfers close at **5.00pm this Friday 10 June**. This is the last day for customers to transfer annual allocation and or annual delivery entitlements to balance water allocation accounts for the 2015/16 season. For further information or assistance, please contact Murray Irrigation's Customer Support Team via reception on T. 1300 138 265.

Snowy Advance progress

Government approval of Murray Irrigation's Snowy Advance project is still in progress. We have provided a draft deed to the NSW Government and hope to have feedback before the end of the week.

Assistance for dairy farmers

Murray Irrigation is looking at ways it can best support its dairy farmer customers following the unfavourable news to come out of the industry in recent weeks. If any of our dairy farmer customers have any concerns, or require assistance, please contact either Financial Controller Cameron Pepper, or Customer Operations Manager Scott Barlow, via reception on T. 1300 138 265.

Fourth quarter accounts

Murray Irrigation's fourth quarter accounts will be sent to customers in June (prior to end of the 2015/16 financial year). Customers wanting account estimates early are welcome to contact our Finance department via reception (T. 1300 138 265) or E. finance@murrayirrigation.com.au. Please provide details of your landholding reference number and/or customer number.

Winter works well underway

The PIOP winter works program is well underway with regulator upgrades, as well

as major channel surveying and assessments being completed. There has been some impact with the current inclement weather, but we are confident our scheduled targets will be met in time for the commencement of the 2016/17 irrigation season.

MDBA water year summary

The MDBA has reported that River Murray system inflows during the 2015/16 water year were around 3,050GL - about one third of the long-term average, putting 2015/16 in the driest nine percent of years on record. By comparison, inflows in 2014/15 totalled 4,400GL with 5,700GL in 2013/14. Inflows are the lowest recorded at Menindee Lakes - worse than the previous lows experienced during the Millennium drought. Looking at 120 years of historical data, it is unprecedented to see extremely low inflows for three years in a row with no 'recovery' event. To view the full 2015/16 water year summary, visit: <http://www.mdba.gov.au/sites/default/files/weeklyreports/River-Murray-Operations-Weekly-Report-1st-June-2016.pdf>.

MILCast delivery service

MILCast offers excellent delivery services, including crane hire. Precast concrete products can be delivered right to the customer's site area on-farm (where possible). To view the full MILCast product range, visit: www.murrayirrigation.com.au/milcast/, or call T. 03 5888 3051.

Beef producers workshop

A beef producers workshop will be held at the Moroco West cattle yards/Bullatale Fire Shed (corner of Lower River Road and Tocumwal-Mathoura Road) from 8.30am this Thursday 9 June. 'More Beef from Pastures' is a Meat & Livestock Australia initiative, aimed at improving producer production and profitability. Cost is \$40 with lunch and refreshments provided. For full details, or to register, visit: www.reproactivedeniliquin.eventbrite.com.au, or call Nigel McMahon at the Deniliquin Vet Clinic on T. 03 5881 5488.

Murray Irrigation offices closed

All Murray Irrigation offices will be closed next Monday 13 June for the Queen's Birthday public holiday. Offices will re-open at 8.30am on Tuesday 14 June. *Talking Water* will be distributed on Wednesday 15 June.

Michael Renehan, CEO

Announced allocation

Class C General Security 23 %
Water Efficiency Allocation 6 %
(Efficiency Allocation on Delivery Entitlements)

Water availability and usage

(07/06/16)

Vol. Remaining % of Entitlements..... 13 %
On-Farm (incl. WEX Volume)
On-Farm Balance..... 109 GL
On-Farm Usage 339 GL

WATER EXCHANGE has now closed.

Trading will recommence on Friday 1 July.

Water use and trade data

31/05/16 – 07/06/16

Murray Water Exchange activity

Internal buyers (No. & ML).....6; 950ML
External buyers (No. & ML).....0; 0ML
Internal sellers (No. & ML).....18; 950ML
External sellers (No. & ML).....0; 0ML

Trade to and from licence (excl. Govt.)

Net trade...142.5ML(week)...20,202ML(YTD)

Crop weekly water use

ML used on farm.....78 ML

Channel flows today (ML/day)

Offtakes are now closed.

Rainfall and evaporation

31/05/16 – 07/06/16 Rain Evap
Finley N/A N/A
Tullakool..... N/A N/A

Storages

8.30am today (mdba.gov.au)

Dartmouth.....1,717 GL.....45 %
Hume.....786 GL.....26 %
Lake Victoria.....334 GL.....49 %
Menindee Lakes48 GL.....3 %
Active Storage.....2,885 GL.....31 %

Rivers

8.30am today (mdba.gov.au)

Murray @ Doctors Point 2,925 ML/d
Murray d/s Yarra. Weir 4,485 ML/d
Goulburn @ McCoy's Bridge784 ML/d
M'Bidgee d/s Balranald..... 1,630 ML/d
Darling @ Burtundy..... N/A
Flow to SA..... 2,955 ML/d
Murray to the Sea 0 gates open