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Allocation increases to 30 percent

DPI Water announced on Thursday a **five percent** increase in general security entitlements allocation. As a result, Murray Irrigation's allocation is now **30 percent** for general security (Class C) entitlement holders. Allocations in the NSW Murray are not yet at 100 percent as storage in Dartmouth Dam is only at 57 percent (figure accurate at time of announcement), and also because water is not yet available to the Murray from the Menindee Lakes.

To access a copy of the DPI Water announcement, visit the 'Water Resources Updates' section of our website www.murrayirrigation.com.au, or contact Customer Support on T. 1300 138 265.

Barmah-Millewa payback

DPI Water also reported last week that, in accordance with the water sharing plan, 71GL of the Barmah-Millewa EWA borrow has been repaid. A further 175GL remains to be paid (equivalent to about eight percent of general security improvement) after which further available water can again accrue to general security entitlement holders.

Off allocation water access

WaterNSW announced last week an extension to supplementary water access at both the Mulwala and Wakool Canal offtakes until this Thursday 8 September. For more information, contact Customer Support on T. 1300 138 265.

PIIOP winter works

The PIIOP winter works program commenced in June, with a target of 160 Rubicon sites to be completed. To date, 176 sites have commenced construction with 170 of these sites complete. This year has been the wettest program since the

start of our PIIOP project, with more than 100mm greater than the previous three winter programs falling in the region between May and August.

Domestic deemed usage credit

Murray Irrigation is offering a 2ML water allocation credit provision for unused stock and domestic pipe outlets for the 2016/17 season. Application forms must be received by **5.00pm this Friday 9 September**. To access a form, visit Murray Irrigation's website and click on 'Customers' then 'forms' and 'general forms', or contact Customer Support on T. 1300 138 265.

Rice maps now available

Rice suitability maps are now available for Murray Irrigation customers. To access your relevant landholding's rice map, click on 'Rice Map' under 'General Information' in your 'Customer login', or contact Customer Support on T. 1300 138 265.

Southern Growers livestock meetings

Southern Growers is hosting a series of livestock meetings this week:

- **Beef group** meeting at Phil Snowden's property 'The Grange' (Fullers Road, Finley) from 9.00am **today**, Tuesday 6 September.
- **Sheep group** meeting at Andrew Gillett's property 'Wunnamurra' (Jerilderie-Berrigan Road) from 8.15am on Friday 9 September.

For more information, contact Stephanie Chappell on M. 0417 444 750.

Blighty focus farm open day

Murray Dairy is hosting the final focus farm open day at David and Jenni Owen's farm in Blighty from 10.45am next Tuesday 13 September. Daryl Poole from RMCG and Norman Repacholi from Dairy Australia will be presenting on the day. A BBQ lunch will be provided. To RSVP, email admin@murraydairy.com.au, or contact Murray Dairy on T. 03 5833 5312 by Monday 12 September.

Southern Growers spray drift event

Southern Growers is hosting a 'spray drift' workshop at the Finley Recreation Reserve and Finley trial site on Tuesday 27 September. Craig Day of Spray Safe & Save Pty. Ltd. will present on the day. RSVPs are essential as there will be limited spaces. Contact Stephanie Chappell on M. 0417 444 750 or E. southerngrowersinc@gmail.com.

Scott Barlow, Acting CEO

Announced allocation

Class C General Security 30 %
Water Efficiency Allocation 0 %
(Efficiency Allocation on Delivery Entitlements)

Water availability and usage

(06/09/16)
Vol. Remaining % of Entitlements..... 43 %
On-Farm (incl. WEX Volume)
On-Farm Balance..... 341 GL
On-Farm Usage 20 GL

Water exchange

8.30am today
Water for Sale 3,143 ML
Price Range \$119 - \$250
Buy Offer \$106
Yesterday's Sales..... 486 ML
Price \$106 - \$115

To buy water call 1300 781 431

Water use and trade data

30/08/16 – 05/09/16
Murray Water Exchange activity
Internal buyers (No. & ML).....12; 2,031ML
External buyers (No. & ML).....1; 532ML
Internal sellers (No. & ML).....22; 2,563ML
External sellers (No. & ML).....0; 0ML

Trade to and from licence (excl. Govt.)

Net trade...500ML(week)...-17,535ML(YTD)
Crop weekly water use
ML used on farm.....2GL

Channel flows today (ML/day)

	Actual	Capacity
Mulwala Canal	211	10,000
Wakool Canal	309	2,350
Escape flows	0	3,250

Rainfall and evaporation

30/08/16 – 05/09/16 Rain Evap
Finley N/A N/A
Tullakool..... 15.8mm 13.6mm

Storages

8.30am today (mdba.gov.au)
Dartmouth.....2,297 GL.....60 %
Hume.....2,923 GL.....97 %
Lake Victoria.....585 GL.....86 %
Menindee Lakes367 GL.....21 %
Active Storage.....5,805 GL.....63 %

Rivers

8.30am today (mdba.gov.au)
Murray @ Doctors Point 39,351 ML/d
Murray d/s Yarra. Weir 47,399 ML/d
Goulburn @ McCoy's Bridge ...9,845 ML/d
M'Bidgee d/s Balranald..... 7,648 ML/d
Darling @ Burtundy..... 176 ML/d
Flow to SA..... 32,023 ML/d
Murray to the Sea 57 gates open

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