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Supply interruption draws to close

Murrumbidgee Irrigation is ramping up supply across the MIA, with interruptions due to modernisation works on the Sturt Canal and South-Western parts of the network, and maintenance on the Main Canal, drawing to close.

Sturt Canal, Benerembah, Wah Wah, Tabbita, and Warburn: commence refilling on 6 August. It will take up to a week for supply to reach all these sections of the network.

Main Canal: resume full supply by 6 August.

Murrumbidgee Irrigation CEO, Brett Jones, thanked all Sturt Canal, Benerembah, Wah Wah, Tabbita, and Warburn irrigators for their patience during the extended modernisation works.

“This has been a once in a life time opportunity to modernise these parts of our network and set up the region for the future,” he said.

Mr Jones said that in future years, rather than shutting down the entire network over the winter period, the Company was moving towards maintaining an ongoing supply.

“This was how we operated the Main Canal this winter,” he explained.

“As soon as all the modernisation works have been rolled out across the MIA over the coming years, this is how we will operate our network every winter.”

Mr Jones said these changes allow the Company to be more responsive to irrigators critical water needs, 12 months of the year.

“Sections will still need to be drained to allow for annual maintenance and some capital works and winter is the most suitable time for us to do this, to minimise impacts on irrigators,” he added.

Water orders can be placed through Murrumbidgee Irrigation’s water ordering system, EASYWATER, using the regular ordering methods. For further enquiries contact Murrumbidgee Irrigation on (02) 6962 0200.

The next DPI Water annual allocation announcement is due to be made on Wednesday 1 August.

Further information is available on our website www.mirrigation.com.au.

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