



Murrumbidgee Irrigation

Dept of Industry Water Allocations

AS AT 15 MAY 2018

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| Stock & Domestic | 100% |
| Town | 100% |
| High Security | 95% |
| General Security | 45% |
| MI Additional water to eligible customers | 4% |

Storages at 28 June 2018

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| Burrinjuck | 39% |
| Blowering | 47% |

EASYWATER

www.mirrigration.com.au
Freecall 1800 822 450

EASYWATER outage

EASYWATER will be unavailable on 4 July between 8am-4pm, to allow for our annual data base rollover. We apologise for any inconvenience.

To order water during this period please contact us on 6962 0200.

Our privacy statement can be downloaded from our website: www.mirrigration.com.au

Contact us if you no longer wish to receive this newsletter.

NEWS IN BRIEF

JUNE 2018 Newsletter

Winter works and 2018 supply interruption

Sturt Canal, Benerembah, Wah Wah, Tabbita, and Warburn: Construction is well advanced on our significant program of modernisation works on the Sturt Canal and South-Western parts of the network. The winter watering period for Warburn and parts of the Sturt is now over and there will be no access to water in these sections of our network until mid-August.

Main Canal System: We are operating the Main Canal differently this winter to allow us to be more responsive to customers' critical water needs. Rather than shutting down the system, we are letting you know when water is not available in your section. Sections are being drained to allow for annual maintenance and some capital works. Main Canal customers will have ongoing supply access, with intermittent interruptions until the system returns to normal operations in early August.

Domestic: Customers should aim to be self-sufficient during this period. If you have a dam or storage, take the opportunity to top up when water is available. Contact us on 6962 0200 if you are concerned about your ability to access water during the winter works period.

For regular updates about winter works and 2018 supply interruption see our website.

Delivery Entitlements

To assist with understanding Delivery Entitlements (DEs), we have written a letter to all customers and included two fact sheets that together provide an overview and history of DEs and how they translate into flow rate.

Every customer connected to our network will continue to get water deliveries- DEs only play a part in times of system capacity restrictions. In most years system capacity restrictions are limited and impact only a few days.

It is important our customers understand DEs and the role they play in flow rate and delivery practices, so that all our customers can make decisions on how best to set up their farming activities.

Customers are encouraged to take the time to read the fact sheets (which are also on our website www.mirrigration.com.au) and contact us on 6962 0200 if you require further information. Our engagement team would be more than happy to meet with you to understand your needs.

We will be engaging with customers over the next 6-12 months through group meetings, information sessions and individual communications.

2018/19 Schedule of charges

All Customers will have received the 2018/19 Schedule of Charges now, which are effective from 1 July 2018.

The Schedule of Charges has been calculated by applying a CPI increase of 1.9% to the 2017/18 charges. For the Delivery Entitlement (DE) Charge, the charge has decreased on a per DE basis due to the increased number of delivery entitlements available across the network.

Works update



Photo: Automated outlet installation, Wah Wah.

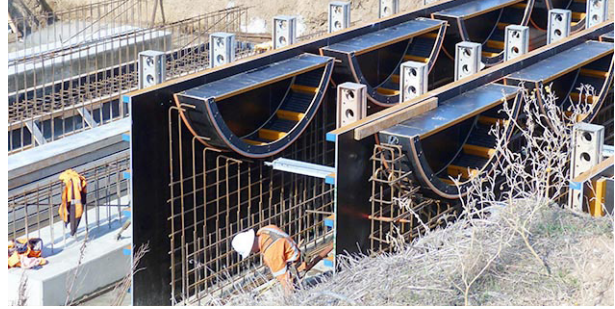


Photo: Canal expansion works, Gum Creek Road.



Photo: Farm outlet modernisation, Hanwood.



Photo: Earth channel rehabilitation works, Leeton.

Automation: Our automation program is on schedule, with regulators and outlets being upgraded in Bilbul, Widgelli, Warburn, Tabbita, Sturt Canal, Benerembah and Wah Wah.

Expansion works: Canal expansion works are underway in Sturt Canal, Benerembah, Wah Wah, Warburn and Tabbita, with 10 out of 24 new structures under construction. Despite the recent wet weather, works remain on track to be completed by early August.

Rehabilitation: Earth channel rehabilitation works have commenced on Branch Canal 1 & 2. The works involve clearing the channels of vegetation and desilting. Conditioned fill is then placed along the banks, compacted, then shaped to the channel design requirements. The project is on schedule, with further rehabilitation works planned over the coming months.

Outlets: As part of our modernisation program we are installing new, and upgrading, metered farm outlets so they are automation ready. For more information about our Outlet Automation Program contact us on 6962 0200.

Lateral 147: Pipeline replacement works in on Lateral 147 in Tharbogang are scheduled for completion by the end of July.

Main Canal repairs at Tharbogang: Repairs have been postponed, and will not be undertaken in this winter works period.

Yanco Stock and Domestic project: This project is currently in the design phase.

Associated temporary road closures

Griffith City Council will have detours around the following worksites, where access to local residential traffic will be available:

Benerembah

- Drew Rd, will be closed between Bowditch Rd and Woodside Rd from 18 June - 12 July.
- Brogden Rd single lane closed between Casserley Rd and Bringagee Rd from 12 June - 31 July.
- Woodside Rd, will have a single lane closure between Drew Rd and Killen Rd from 25 June - 31 July.

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- Gum Creek Rd will be closed between Lockhart and Clark Rd from 7 July until late July.

Tharbogang

- Tyson Rd, will be closed between Cunningham Rd and Willow Dam from 25 July - 6 August.
- Stevenson Rd, will be closed between Gordon Rd and Brown Rd from 16 June - 6 July.
- Brown Rd, will be closed between McNamara Rd and Stevenson Rd from 18 June to 4 July.
- White Rd, will be closed between Brown Rd and Tyson Rd from 5 July - 31 July.

Fixed & usage charges

Fixed charges accounts for 2017/18 are now overdue. A reminder that interest accrues on overdue accounts. Usage charges accounts will be issued in early July. If you'd like to discuss payment options, including payment plans, please contact us on 6962 0200.