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Temporary Water Restriction (Murrumbidgee I Water Source and Murrumbidgee II Water Source) Order (No. 2) 2024

under the

Water Management Act 2000

I, Allan Raine, by delegation from the Minister administering the *Water Management Act 2000*, in pursuance of section 324(1) of the *Water Management Act 2000* and being satisfied that it is necessary in the public interest to do so, make the following Order.

Dated 07/05/2024

ALLAN RAINE

Director, Water Planning Implementation, Water Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water By delegation

Explanatory note

The purpose of this Order is to impose temporary water restrictions on the take of water under unregulated river access licences and unregulated river (high flow) access licences from Murrumbidgee I Water Source and Murrumbidgee II Water Source from 10 May 2024 to 31 July 2024.

This Order is made under section 324(1) of the *Water Management Act 2000* to manage water released from Tantangara Dam for environmental purposes. Section 43(2) of the *Interpretation Act 1987* provides that the power to make an order under an Act includes the power to repeal the order.

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1 Name of Order

This Order is the Temporary Water Restriction (Murrumbidgee I Water Source and Murrumbidgee II Water Source) Order (No. 2) 2024.

2 Commencement

This Order commences on 10 May 2024.

3 Duration

This Order will remain in force up to and including 31 July 2024 unless that date is amended, or this Order is repealed before that date.

4 Temporary water restrictions

This Order is a direction to restrict the take of water under unregulated river access licences and unregulated river (high flow) access licences from Murrumbidgee I Water Source and Murrumbidgee II Water Source in accordance with the restrictions specified in Schedule 1.

5 Interpretation

(1) In this Order:

Director means any of the following:

- (a) Director, Water Planning Implementation, Water Group for the Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water,
- (b) Chief Operating Officer, Operations Division, Water Group for the Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water,
- (c) any person who is for the time being acting or performing the duties and responsibilities of the role specified in paragraph (a) or (b).

Murrumbidgee I Water Source means the water source as described in the Water Sharing Plan for the Murrumbidgee Unregulated River Water Sources 2012.

Murrumbidgee II Water Source means the water source as described in the Water Sharing Plan for the Murrumbidgee Unregulated River Water Sources 2012.

(2) Unless otherwise defined, words and expressions that are defined in the *Water Management Act 2000* or in regulations made under that Act have the same meaning in this Order.

Schedule 1 Specified restrictions

- (1) The holder of an unregulated river access licence or unregulated river (high flow) access licence must not take water from the water source specified in Column 1 on the date specified in Column 4 of the corresponding row of the Table, unless
 - (a) flows at the flow reference point specified in Column 2 of the corresponding row exceed the flow threshold specified in Column 3, or
 - (b) the Director approves that take of water for a specified period in writing, being satisfied that such take would not have an adverse effect on the management of water released from Tantangara Dam for environmental purposes.

Table—specified restrictions on take of water

Column 1	Column 2	Column 3	Column 4
Water Source	Flow reference point	Flow threshold	Specified date
		63 ML/day	10 May 2024
		61 ML/day	11 May 2024
		58 ML/day	12 May 2024
		61 ML/day	13 May 2024
		67 ML/day	14 May 2024
		73 ML/day	15 May 2024
		112 ML/day	16 May 2024
		188 ML/day	17 May 2024
	Murrumbidgee River at Mittagang Crossing gauge (410033)	229 ML/day	18 May 2024
Murrumbidgee I Water Source		211 ML/day	19 May 2024
		163 ML/day	20 May 2024
		118 ML/day	21 May 2024
		88 ML/day	22 May 2024
		72 ML/day	23 May 2024
		66 ML/day	24 May 2024
		64 ML/day	25 May 2024
		63 ML/day	26 May 2024
		64 ML/day	27 May 2024
		63 ML/day	28 May 2024
		63 ML/day	29 May 2024
		63 ML/day	30 May 2024
		65 ML/day	31 May 2024

65 ML/day	1 June 2024
63 ML/day	2 June 2024
61 ML/day	3 June 2024
58 ML/day	4 June 2024
61 ML/day	5 June 2024
66 ML/day	6 June 2024
66 ML/day	7 June 2024
64 ML/day	8 June 2024
63 ML/day	9 June 2024
62 ML/day	10 June 2024
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		75 ML/day	7 July 2024
		77 ML/day	8 July 2024
		74 ML/day	9 July 2024
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		63 ML/day	12 July 2024
		62 ML/day	13 July 2024
		64 ML/day	14 July 2024
		76 ML/day	15 July 2024
		97 ML/day	16 July 2024
		120 ML/day	17 July 2024
		153 ML/day	18 July 2024
		215 ML/day	19 July 2024
		305 ML/day	20 July 2024
		396 ML/day	21 July 2024
		736 ML/day	22 July 2024
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		963 ML/day	23 July 2024
		774 ML/day	24 July 2024
		489 ML/day	25 July 2024
		301 ML/day	26 July 2024
		194 ML/day	27 July 2024
		141 ML/day	28 July 2024
		119 ML/day	29 July 2024
		117 ML/day	30 July 2024
		127 ML/day	31 July 2024
		57 ML/day	10 May 2024
		57 ML/day	11 May 2024
		57 ML/day	12 May 2024
		57 ML/day	13 May 2024
		57 ML/day	14 May 2024
Murrumbidgee II Water Source	Murrumbidgee River	59 ML/day	15 May 2024
	at Billilingra gauge	79 ML/day	16 May 2024
	(410050)	134 ML/day	17 May 2024
		187 ML/day	18 May 2024
		191 ML/day	19 May 2024
		161 ML/day	20 May 2024
		122 ML/day	21 May 2024
		86 ML/day	22 May 2024

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	96 ML/day	17 July 2024
	119 ML/day	18 July 2024
	155 ML/day	19 July 2024
	225 ML/day	20 July 2024
	310 ML/day	21 July 2024
	564 ML/day	22 July 2024
	827 ML/day	23 July 2024
	777 ML/day	24 July 2024
	558 ML/day	25 July 2024
	341 ML/day	26 July 2024
	210 ML/day	27 July 2024
	144 ML/day	28 July 2024
	113 ML/day	29 July 2024
	101 ML/day	30 July 2024
	108 ML/day	31 July 2024
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