

Progress of Water Recovery Against 2750GL Reduction in Surface Water SDLs

As at 30 April 2015

SDL Resource Unit (Catchment)	Sustainable Diversion Limit Reduction Amount			Environmental Water Recovery						Volume still to be Recovered ⁽⁸⁾	
	Local Component (GL)	Shared Component (GL)	Total Reduction incl Shared Component (GL) ⁽²⁾	SRWUIP Recoveries ⁽¹⁾			Other Recoveries		Total Water Recovery which 'Bridges the Gap' (GL)		Proportion of total reduction already Recovered (%)
				Purchased by Tender (GL) ⁽³⁾	Other Purchases (GL) ⁽⁴⁾	Infrastructure (GL) ⁽⁵⁾	SARMSP and Commonwealth (GL) ⁽⁶⁾	State Government (GL) ⁽⁷⁾			
Paroo	0								0.0		
Warrego	8						8.0		8.0		
Gwydir	42			35.5		5.9		6.2	47.6		
Nebine	1						1.0		1.0		
Condamine-Balonne	100			50.3		3.8			54.1		
Intersecting Streams ⁽⁹⁾	0				8.1				8.1		
Moonie	0	143	390				1.1		1.1	66.1%	132
Namoi	10			4.8		6.6			11.4		
Macquarie-Castlereagh	65			24.6		37.9		22.6	85.1		
QLD Border Rivers	8			3.6		9.9	0.5		14.0		
NSW Border Rivers	7					1.6			1.6		
Barwon-Darling	6			15.9	8.4			1.5	25.8		
Northern Basin Total	247			134.6	16.5	65.8	10.6	30.3	257.8		
Marne Saunders	0	N/A							0.0	N/A	
Ovens	0			0.1					0.1		
Goulburn	344			181.6	51.0	96.9		35.4	364.9		
Broken	0			0.0		0.2			0.2		
Loddon	12			2.8		0.6		8.6	11.9		
Campaspe	18			6.3		0.1		22.6	29.0		
NSW Murrumbidgee	320			128.1	1.1	209.0	2.4	24.4	365.0		
ACT Murrumbidgee	0				4.9				4.9		
Kiewa	0	971	2289						0.0	71.4%	655
Eastern Mt Lofty Ranges	0								0.0		
NSW Murray	262			217.9	1.6	95.4			314.8		
Vic Murray	253			220.0	51.0	97.1		30.1	398.1		
SA Murray	101			86.3		13.6	36.0	6.4	142.3		
Lower Darling	8			1.0		1.3			2.2		
Southern Basin Total	1318			843.9	109.6	514.1	38.4	127.5	1633.5		
Lachlan *	48	N/A	71	35.0		1.5		11.4	48	100%	0
Wimmera-Mallee	22.6	N/A			22.6				22.6	100%	0
Total Basin	1636	1114	2750	1013.6	148.6	581.4	49.0	169.2	1961.9	71.3%	788
				1162.3							

Note:

All water entitlement figures are expressed in average annual yield terms. Average annual yields are calculated using the Department of the Environment's estimates of the long term average annual yield (LTAAY) for each entitlement advised in the Murray-Darling Basin Ministers' Communiqué of 4 November 2011.

- The Sustainable Rural Water Use and Infrastructure Program (SRWUIP) is a national programme investing in rural water use, management and efficiency, including improved water knowledge and market reform, and water purchase for the environment. It is the key mechanism to 'bridge the gap' to the sustainable diversion limits under the Murray Darling Basin Plan through three main components: irrigation infrastructure projects; water purchase and supply measures.
- Data is sourced from the Basin Plan 2012.
- Includes water purchases secured by an exchanged water sale contract.
- Other Purchases include water purchased from the Wimmera and Murray Irrigation Irrigator Led Group Proposals, water acquired from the New South Wales Government relating to its purchase of Toorale Station, water purchase from the Victorian Government relating to the Goulburn-Murray Water Connections Program and water purchased from ACTEW Corporation (Australian Capital Territory).
- SRWUIP infrastructure water recovery is reported at the point at which water savings have been received, estimated or agreed in signed project works contracts. Until water transfer contracts have been exchanged however, these figures may be subject to change over time.
- Other recoveries includes Commonwealth water recoveries from the South Australian River Murray Sustainability Program (SARMSP) that is funded separately from SRWUIP, water gifted by the Queensland Government to the Commonwealth and Commonwealth water recoveries secured through the Water Smart Australia Program which contribute to 'Bridging the Gap' to the new sustainable diversion limits.
- State Recovery figures are as at 31 March 2015.
- In the Lachlan catchment contracted water recovery above the local component does not contribute towards the shared downstream component as the Basin Plan identifies the Lachlan as a disconnected catchment.
- This data includes unregulated water entitlements acquired from the NSW Government relating to its purchase of Toorale Station. An additional new entitlement - unregulated river special additional high flow entitlement for 9.720GL is part of the Intersecting Streams Unregulated and Alluvial water sharing plan, has been issued to the Commonwealth. This recovery is not shown in the table because there is currently no long term diversion limit equivalent factor available to estimate the long term average annual yield (LTAAY) recovery volume for this entitlement.