

VICTORIAN ENVIRONMENTAL WATER HOLDER
SEASONAL WATERING STATEMENT #1 FOR THE CAMPASPE SYSTEM 2011

The Victorian Environmental Water Holder makes the following seasonal watering statement –

1. PURPOSE

The purpose of this seasonal watering statement is to authorise North Central Catchment Management Authority to apply or use water in the Water Holdings within North Central Waterway Management District to achieve environmental outcomes in the Campaspe system.

2. COMMENCEMENT

This statement comes into effect on 1 July 2011.

3. EMPOWERING PROVISIONS

This statement is made under section 33DY of the **Water Act 1989**.

4. DEFINITIONS

In this statement –

“**Act**” means the **Water Act 1989**;

“**Catchment Management Authority**” has the same meaning as in section 3 of the Act;

“**Water Holder**” has the same meaning as in section 3 of the Act;

“**Water Holdings**” has the same meaning as in section 3 of the Act;

“**Waterway Management District**” has the same meaning as in section 3 of the Act.

5. WATER IN THE WATER HOLDINGS TO WHICH THIS STATEMENT APPLIES

This statement authorises the use of water allocation made available to the Water Holder by the Commonwealth Environmental Water Holder (ABA067615) which forms part of the Water Holdings.

6. AUTHORISATION

- (1) The North Central Catchment Management Authority is authorised to undertake the use or application of water allocation made available to the Water Holder by the Commonwealth Environmental Water Holder (ABA067615) to achieve the following flow objectives in the Campaspe River during July and August 2011 –
 - (a) ensure a base flow of 200 megalitres per day.
 - (b) ensure two flow events of 1500 megalitres, with a period of managed water level rise and fall in accordance with *Campaspe River Environmental Flow Assessment: Part 3 – Flow Recommendations* (SKM, 2006), if the conditions described in sub-clause 2 are such that this is

likely to present the best opportunity to achieve this objective prior to 31 October 2011.

- (2) In order to achieve the flow objectives set out in this statement in the most efficient manner practicable, the North Central Catchment Management Authority must –
- (a) consider the current and available predicted daily flow rates in the Campaspe River; and
 - (b) any other factors the Catchment Management Authority considers will impact the achievement of the flow objective.

7. IMPLEMENTATION

This Authorisation is given subject to –

- (a) the availability of sufficient water in the Water Holdings to which this statement applies; and
- (b) existing agreed operating and delivery arrangements in relation to the watering activity under this statement.

Execution

on.....23 June 2011.....

by.....DWFlett.....

Denis Flett, Chairperson Victorian Environmental Water Holder
upon decision of the Commission of the Victorian Environmental Water Holder