VICTORIAN ENVIRONMENTAL WATER HOLDER
SEASONAL WATERING STATEMENT #2A FOR
GOULBURN BROKEN CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY 2019-20
LOWER BROKEN CREEK

The Victorian Environmental Water Holder makes the following seasonal watering statement under section 33DY of the Water Act 1989.

1. PURPOSE
This seasonal watering statement authorises Goulburn Broken Catchment Management Authority to use water from the Water Holdings to achieve environmental and functional watering objectives in the lower Broken Creek, specified in section 5.5.2 of the Seasonal Watering Plan 2019-20. This seasonal watering statement also authorises use of return flows from the lower Broken Creek at downstream sites along the River Murray.

2. DURATION OF APPROVAL
This seasonal watering statement is valid from 20 December 2019 to 30 June 2020, unless superseded by another seasonal watering statement or revoked by the Victorian Environmental Water Holder.

3. AUTHORISATION TO USE THE WATER HOLDINGS
Goulburn Broken Catchment Management Authority is authorised to use up to 50,000 ML of water from the Water Holdings in lower Broken Creek.

This water is made available by the Victorian Environmental Water Holder and the Commonwealth Environmental Water Holder and can be used under the Bulk Entitlement (River Murray – Flora and Fauna) Conversion Order 1999 (ABA086322, ABA094003, ABA108630, ABA108631, ABA086329), Environmental Entitlement (River Murray – NVIRP Stage 1) 2012 (ABA088038), Environmental Entitlement (Goulburn System – NVIRP Stage 1) 2012 (ABA088037) and the Goulburn River Environmental Entitlement 2010 (ABA083999, ABA094000) held by the Victorian Environmental Water Holder.

This authorisation includes:
- Up to 50,000 ML of water committed made in accordance with a decision by the Commonwealth Environmental Water Holder communicated through the CEWO Watering Schedule – Lower Broken Creek system for 2018-19 to 2022-23, executed on 21 June 2018.
- Up to 20,000 ML of water committed by the Victorian Environmental Water Holder.

This seasonal watering statement supersedes Seasonal Watering Statement #2 for the Goulburn Broken Catchment Management Authority and the total volume authorized includes water used under Seasonal Watering Statement #2 for the Goulburn Broken Catchment Management Authority between 1 July 2019 and 20 December 2019.

Water is to be delivered to the lower Broken Creek consistent with the potential watering actions specified in Table 5.5.3 of the Seasonal Watering Plan 2019-20 and the provisions of the entitlement.

This authorisation is subject to:
(a) consultation with Victorian Environmental Water Holder to ensure the availability of sufficient water in the Water Holdings to which this statement applies and the appropriate allocation bank account to order water from
(b) implementation of the risk mitigating strategies identified in Goulburn Broken Catchment Management Authority's *Seasonal Watering Proposal 2019-20 – Lower Broken Creek* and in line with section 1.3.6 of the *Seasonal Watering Plan 2019-20*.

(c) reporting to the Victorian Environmental Water Holder on implementation of this seasonal watering statement in accordance with the *Guidelines for reporting on the management of the Water Holdings*.

**Execution**

Executed on 20 December 2019

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by

Andrew Sharpe, Acting Executive Officer Victorian Environmental Water Holder,

Upon the decision of the Commission of the Victorian Environmental Water Holder made on 18 December 2019.