

VICTORIAN ENVIRONMENTAL WATER HOLDER
SEASONAL WATERING STATEMENT #13 FOR
GOULBURN BROKEN CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY
2015-16 (GOULBURN RIVER - VEWH)

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

1. PURPOSE

This seasonal watering statement authorises Goulburn Broken Catchment Management Authority to apply or use water from the Water Holdings to achieve environmental outcomes in the Goulburn River and downstream sites along the River Murray, consistent with the *Seasonal Watering Plan 2015-16*.

2. DURATION OF APPROVAL

The seasonal watering statement is valid from 1 March 2016 to 30 June 2016, unless superseded by another seasonal watering statement or revoked by the Victorian Environmental Water Holder.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 or apply up to 10,000 ML of water from the Water Holdings in the Goulburn River.

The water is made available for use under the *Goulburn River Environmental Entitlement 2010* (ABA093999) and the *Goulburn (NVIRP Stage 1) Environmental Entitlement 2013* (ABA088037) held by the Victorian Environmental Water Holder.

Water is to be delivered to the Goulburn River consistent with the priority watering actions specified in section 5.4 of the *Seasonal Watering Plan 2015-16* or to meet agreed downstream demands, and the provisions of the entitlements.

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 the Goulburn Broken Catchment Management Authorities *Goulburn River Seasonal Watering Proposal 2015-2016* and in line with section 1.4.4 of the *Seasonal Watering Plan 2015-16*
- (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*
- (d) coordination of watering actions where complementary statements exist in consultation with the Victorian Environmental Water Holder.

Execution

Executed on 18 February 2016



by

Denis Flett, Chairperson Victorian Environmental Water Holder

Upon decision of the Commission of the Victorian Environmental Water Holder made on 17 February 2016.