VICTORIAN ENVIRONMENTAL WATER HOLDER SEASONAL WATERING STATEMENT #5 FOR MALLEE CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY 2025-26 HATTAH LAKES

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 Mallee Catchment Management Authority to use water from the Water Holdings in Hattah Lakes for testing Hattah Lakes pumps following maintenance and repair activities.

2. DURATION OF APPROVAL

This seasonal watering statement is valid from 4 September 2025 to 30 June 2026, unless superseded by another seasonal watering statement or revoked by the Victorian Environmental Water Holder.

3. AUTHORISATION TO USE THE WATER HOLDINGS

Mallee Catchment Management Authority is authorised to use up to 500 ML of water from the Water Holdings at Hattah Lakes

This water is made available by the Victorian Environmental Water Holder and can be used under the *Bulk Entitlement (River Murray – Flora and Fauna) Conversion Order 1999* (allocation accounts 043408, 062294, 065283, 065905) held by the Victorian Environmental Water Holder.

This authorisation includes water committed in accordance with a decision of the Southern Connected Basin Environmental Watering Committee communicated to the Victorian Environmental Water Holder via an email on 3 September 2025.

Water is to be delivered under the provisions of the entitlement and in accordance with Table 5.2.13 of the Seasonal Watering Plan 2025-26.

This authorisation is subject to 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 account to order water from

Execution

Executed on 4 September 2025

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Chris Solum, Executive Management Planning and Delivery, Victorian Environmental Water Holder

Under delegation by the Commission of the Victorian Environmental Water Holder.

