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Increases for Murray and Goulburn Allocations

Goulburn-Murray Water (G-MW), the resource manager for northern Victorian water systems, announced increased allocations for the Murray and Goulburn today. The allocations in the Broken, Campaspe, Loddon and Bullarook systems remained unchanged at zero.

The Murray system allocation is 37% of high-reliability water shares (HRWS), which is an increase of 8%. The seasonal allocation in the Goulburn system is 33% HRWS, which is an increase of 3%.

“Good inflows have continued in the Murray and Goulburn catchments through October,” said G-MW’s Resource Manager, Graeme Hannan. “The Broken, Campaspe, Loddon and Bullarook systems have not had sufficient inflow improvement and there are still shortfalls to allocation. However, the small inflows that are occurring will help the systems progress towards continuous operation to deliver domestic and stock water and some carryover.”

The outlook for allocations has improved in the Murray and Goulburn systems with recent allocation increases. However, the current shortfalls in the Broken, Campaspe, Loddon and Bullarook systems mean allocations remain unlikely this season.

The outlooks presented below use the following terminology:

- ‘Wet’ - Inflow volumes that have 1 chance in 10 of being exceeded
- ‘Average’ - Inflow volumes that have 5 chances in 10 of being exceeded
- ‘Dry’ - Inflow volumes that have 9 chances in 10 of being exceeded

Murray System

Inflow Conditions	15 December 2009	15 February 2010
Wet	78%	84%
Average	54%	61%
Dry	39%	41%

Goulburn System

Inflow Conditions	15 December 2009	15 February 2010
Wet	79%	92%
Average	53%	61%
Dry	41%	46%

The seasonal allocations for northern Victorian water systems on Thursday 15 October 2009 are:

Water System	High-Reliability Water Share	Low-Reliability Water Share
Murray	37%	0%
Broken	0%	0%
Goulburn	33%	0%
Campaspe	0%	0%
Loddon	0%	0%
Bullarook	0%	0%

The next allocation announcement will be issued on Monday 2 November 2009.

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