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Water Notices



Temporary Water Restrictions (Barwon-Darling Unregulated River Water Source) Order 2018 No. 2

under the

Water Management Act 2000

I, the Hon. Niall Blair MLC, Minister for Regional Water, having authority, in pursuance of section 324(1) of the *Water Management Act 2000* and on being satisfied that it is necessary to do so in the public interest to cope with a water shortage in the Barwon-Darling Unregulated River Water Source, make the following Order.

Dated this 28th day of March 2018

The Hon. Niall Blair MLC
Minister for Regional Water

Explanatory note

This Order imposes temporary water restrictions on parts of the Barwon-Darling Unregulated River Water Source in pursuance of section 324(1) of the *Water Management Act 2000* (the Act) in order to cope with a water shortage.

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1 Name of Order

This Order is the *Temporary Water Restrictions (Barwon-Darling Unregulated River Water Source) Order 2018 No. 2*

2 Commencement

This Order commences on 1 April 2018 and will remain in force until 28th April 2018, unless it is repealed or modified by further order before that date.

3 Temporary water restrictions

The taking of water from the parts of the water source specified in Schedule 1 is restricted as specified in Schedule 2.

4 Interpretation

Unless otherwise defined, words and expressions that are defined in the *Water Management Act 2000* or in regulations to that Act have the same meaning in this Order.

Schedule 1 Water Source

This Order applies to those parts of the Barwon-Darling Unregulated River Water Source as described in the *Water Sharing Plan for the Barwon-Darling Unregulated and Alluvial Water Sources 2012* within the following Management Zones (as defined by that Plan):

- a) Boorooma to Brewarrina Management Zone,
- b) Brewarrina to Culgoa River Junction Management Zone,
- c) Culgoa River Junction to Bourke Management Zone,
- d) Bourke to Louth Management Zone,
- e) Louth to Tilpa Management Zone,
- f) Tilpa to Wilcannia Management Zone, and
- g) Wilcannia to Upstream Lake Wetherell Management Zone.

Schedule 2 Restrictions

The taking of water from the parts of the water source specified in Schedule 1 is restricted to the taking of water for the following purposes only:

- (a) Town water supply
- (b) Domestic use
- (c) Stock watering
- (d) Irrigation of existing permanent plantings such as vineyards and orchards

Note: It is an offence, under section 336C of the *Water Management Act 2000*, to fail to comply with this direction. An individual found guilty of an offence under section 336C is liable to a penalty not exceeding 2,250 penalty units and, in the case of a continuing offence, a further penalty not exceeding 600 penalty units for each day the offence continues. A corporation found guilty of an offence under section 336C is liable to a penalty not exceeding 10,000 penalty units and, in the case of a continuing offence, a further penalty not exceeding 1,200 penalty units for each day the offence continues.

Note: As at the commencement of this Order, a penalty unit is \$110.