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Water Notices

WATER MANAGEMENT ACT 2000

Temporary Water Restriction (Macquarie and Cudgegong Regulated Rivers Water Sources) Order (No 2) 2018
I, Rachel Connell, by delegation from the Minister for Regional Water, in pursuance of section 324(1) of the *Water Management Act 2000* and being satisfied that it is necessary in the public interest to do so because of a water shortage, make the following Order.

Dated 10 September 2018

RACHEL CONNELL
Executive Director, Water
Department of Industry
By delegation

Explanatory note

This Order imposes temporary water restrictions on certain take of water in the Macquarie and Cudgegong Regulated Rivers Water Sources in pursuance of section 324(1) of the *Water Management Act 2000* in order to cope with a water shortage.

The effect of this Order, together with the *Access Licence Dealing Principles (Macquarie and Cudgegong Regulated Rivers Water Sources) Order 2018*, is that only 70% of the water in a water allocation account of a Macquarie regulated river (general security) access licence as at 1 July 2018 is available for take or trade.

Temporary Water Restriction (Macquarie and Cudgegong Regulated Rivers Water Sources) Order (No 2) 2018

under the

Water Management Act 2000

1 Name of Order

This Order is the Temporary Water Restriction (Macquarie and Cudgegong Regulated Rivers Water Sources) Order (No 2) 2018.

2 Commencement

This Order commences the day on which it is published in the Gazette.

3 Duration

This Order remains in force until 30 June 2019, unless it is repealed or modified by further order before that date.

4 Repeal

This Order repeals the *Temporary Water Restriction (Macquarie and Cudgegong Regulated Rivers Water Sources) Order 2018* made on 20 August 2018.

5 Temporary water restrictions

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

6 Interpretation

In this Order:

- (a) unless otherwise defined, words and expressions that are defined in the *Water Management Act 2000* or in regulations made under that Act have the same meaning in this Order, and
- (b) **Macquarie regulated river (general security) access licence** means a regulated river (general security) access licence with an extraction component that permits the taking of water downstream of Burrendong Dam water storage.

Schedule 1 Water Source

This Order applies to the Macquarie and Cudgegong Regulated Rivers Water Source as described in the *Water Sharing Plan for the Macquarie and Cudgegong Regulated Rivers Water Sources 2016 (Water Source)*.

Schedule 2 Restrictions

The following volume of water cannot be taken under a Macquarie regulated river (general security) access licence from the Water Source:

- (a) 30% of the volume of water in the carryover sub-account of the licence as at 1 July 2018.

Notes.

- (1) This Order does not impose any restriction on the take of water from any Cudgegong regulated river (general security) access licence, which is a regulated river (general security) access licence with an extraction component that permits the taking of water upstream of Burrendong Dam water storage.
- (2) 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 of the Act 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 of the Act 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. As at the commencement of this Order, a penalty unit is \$110.

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