

Upper Murray Groundwater Management Area

The Upper Murray Groundwater Management Area (GMA) covers the Upper Murray River catchment from Omeo north to Corryong and Tallangatta and includes the Mitta Mitta, Corryong and Murray catchments (map provided overleaf).

Groundwater resources in the Upper Murray GMA are managed under the Local Management Plan (the Plan) that was approved in 2014.

Groundwater licenced volume and use

There is currently 3,482.6 megalitres per year (ML/yr) of licenced groundwater in the Upper Murray GMA.

The majority of licenced groundwater volume is held in the Indi management zone.

Table 1 Licenced groundwater volume and use in the Upper Murray GMA in 2017/18

Management zone	Volume (ML/yr)	Use (ML/yr)
Dartmouth	223.0	48.5
Hume	1,101.2	82.9
Indi	2,158.4	318.5
Total	3,482.6	449.9

Metered use in the Upper Murray GMA in 2017/18 was 449.9 ML or 13% of total volume, which is the same as in the 2016/17 season.

Groundwater trading

Licence holders may transfer volume on a temporary or permanent basis within or between zones provided management zone caps are not exceeded.

No permanent or temporary transfers occurred within the Upper Murray GMA in the 2017/18 season.

Groundwater levels

Groundwater levels are monitored in 10 State observation bores located across the Upper Murray GMA. Groundwater levels fluctuate seasonally in response to climatic conditions (Figures 1 and 2).

Following an increase in groundwater levels from rainfall in 2016/17, groundwater levels remained slightly higher than the preceding years at Omeo

for the second year in a row, although had declined to 2016/17 levels at Corryong.

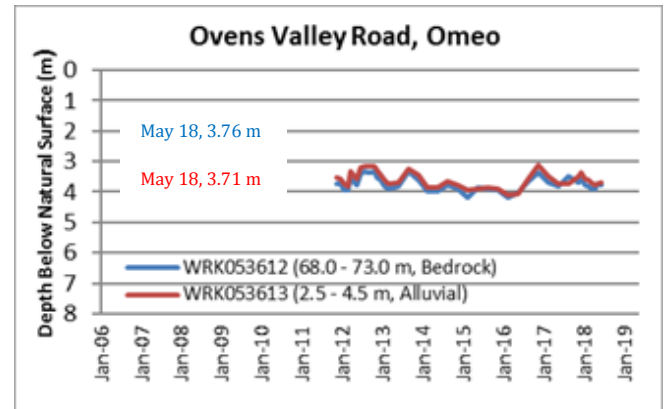


Figure 1 Groundwater levels in Omeo

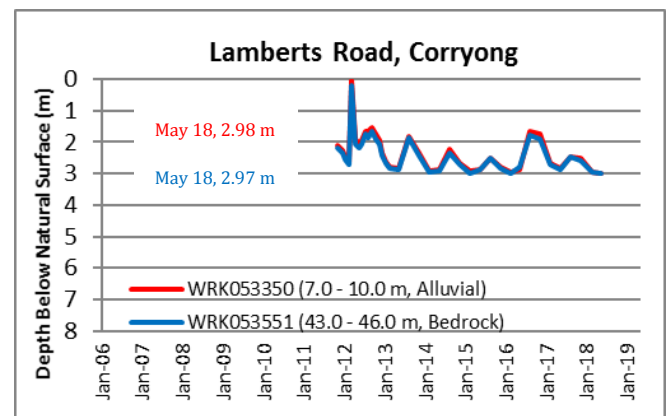


Figure 2 Groundwater levels near Corryong

Looking to buy or sell licenced volume?

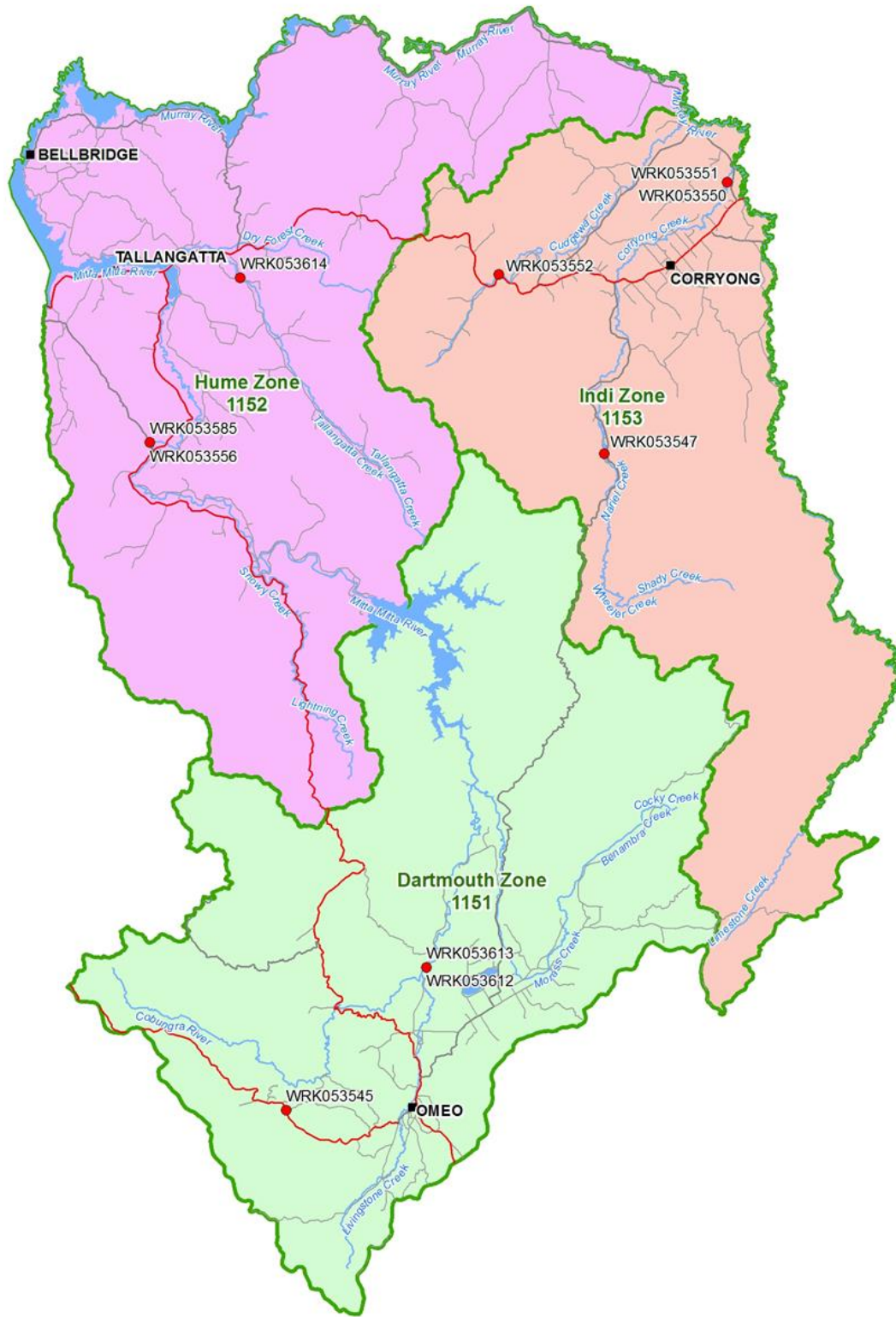
Watermatch is an online forum where licence holders can advertise their interest to buy or sell licenced volume; either groundwater or unregulated surface water.

Visit www.watermatch.com.au

Where can I get more information?

You can download a copy of the Local Management Plan from the GMW website www.gmwater.com.au or call GMW on 1800 013 357

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