LIMA CREEK CATCHMENT LOCAL MANAGEMENT RULES



1. Catchment Information

The Lima Creek flows into the Lima East Creek approximately 2.5 km upstream of the confluence with the Broken River, downstream of Lake Nillahcootie. The Lima Creek catchment encompasses an area of approximately 71 km². The mean annual flow at the bottom of the Lima Creek catchment is approximately 12,610 ML/yr. Key issues identified within the catchment are barriers to fish migration, stock access, and maintaining a healthy state.

The catchment is bound to the south by the Goulburn catchment, the north by the Baddaginnie Creek catchment and to the east by the Broken River catchment. Significant tributaries of Lima Creek include Wild dog, Stony, and Parkes Creeks. The main township within the catchment is Lima. The upper catchment of Lima Creek is made up of the Strathbogies Ranges and is predominantly forested, while the lower catchment is cleared and the main industry is dryland farming with some irrigation.

2. Management of Licences

Restriction Triggers for each stage of restriction.

Restriction Stages	Trigger Values for Introduction of Next Stage of Restriction	Percent Restrictable Demand
Stage 5 (Suspension)	<= 5 ML/day	100%

Note: Restrictions are implemented during dry periods prior to flows reducing to the trigger value. For example, if a river flow is reducing rapidly, a higher stage or suspension will be put in place before the trigger level is reached to provide for adequate flow for domestic and stock use and the environment.

3. Compliance Point

There is a surface water monitoring station located downstream of the Midland Highway. The station is called Lima Creek @ d/s Midland Highway Swanpool (Station No. 404246).

4. Licences

Licence Allocation in Lima Creek and Tributaries

Licence Type	Number of	Volume (ML)
	Licences	
Irrigation	9	98
Registered Dams	22	413.6
Total	31	511.6

5. Additional Information

Stream codes and sustainable diversion limit zones are provided within this document for identification purposes when discussing the catchment diversion management with Goulburn-Murray Water Officers.

Stream Codes

Stream codes used in the management of the Lima Creek and Tributaries:

4040235 4040260

Sustainable Diversion Limit Zones

Sustainable Diversion Limit zones used in the management of surface water trade within the Lima Creek catchment:

4040103

