# BACK CREEK CATCHMENT (TRIBUTARY OF NINE MILE CREEK) LOCAL MANAGEMENT RULES



#### 1. Catchment Information

The Back Creek joins the Nine Mile Creek approximately 1km north-east of Stanley and encompasses an area of approximately 5.3 km<sup>2</sup>. The mean annual flow out of the Back Creek catchment is approximately 550 ML/yr. The Back Creek catchment is predominantly forested along the creek frontage, with about half the catchment not being cleared. The cleared portions of the catchment are used for horticulture including apples and chestnuts. The North East Regional River Health Strategy lists the Back Creek as a high value asset as it is classed as a environmental site of significance.

The catchment is bound to the west by the Nine Mile Creek catchment and the east by Frenchman Gully. There are no significant tributaries of Back Creek and the closets township is Stanley, which is just to the west of the catchment.

## 2. Management of Licences

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Restriction Stages	Trigger Values	Percent
	for	Restrictable
	Introduction of	Demand
	Next Stage of	
	Restriction	
Stage 5	<= 2 ML/day	100%
(Suspension)		

**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 stream is visually assessed at Chinamens Track and is managed to the 2 ML/day.

### 4. Licences

Licence Allocation in Back Creek and Tributaries

Licence Type	Number of Licences	Volume (ML)
Irrigation	8	175.3
Registered Dams	1	1
Total	9	176.3

### 4. 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 Back and Tributaries:

4020102

### **Sustainable Diversion Limit zones**

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

4020401

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