FIVE MILE CREEK CATCHMENT LOCAL MANAGEMENT RULES



1. Catchment Information

The Five Mile Creek flows into the Campaspe River approximately 2.5km upstream of the Calder Freeway, and encompasses an area of approximately 79 km². The mean annual flow at the bottom of the Five Mile Creek catchment is approximately 13,280 ML/yr. The North Central River Health Strategy lists the Five Mile Creek reach as it contains significant environmental values, significant flora, invertebrates and a statewide EVC. Key issues identified within the catchment are exotic flora, stock access, water quality, degraded riparian vegetation and introduced fauna.

The catchment is bound to the east by the Goulburn River catchment and the west by the Campaspe River catchment. Significant tributaries of Five Mile Creek include Slaty, Smokers and Falls Creeks. The main township within the catchment is Woodend. The catchment is predominantly forested in the upper catchment and is covered by the Macedon Regional Park. Within the lower and middle catchment dryland farming and tourism are the major industries.

2. Management of Licences

Restriction Triggers for each stage of restriction

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Restriction	Trigger Values	Percent	
Stages	for Introduction	Restrictable	
	of Next Stage of	Demand	
	Restriction		
Stage 5	<= 3 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

The Five Mile Creek is visually monitored to 3 ML/Day at Woodend.

4. Licences

Licence Allocation in Five Mile Creek upstream Eppalock Creek and Tributaries

Licence Type	Number of Licences	Volume (ML)
Irrigation	6	48
Registered Dams	4	107
Total	10	155

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 Five Mile Creek and Tributaries:

4060116

Sustainable Diversion Limit zones

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

4060002 4060003

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