SEVEN CREEKS CATCHMENT LOCAL MANAGEMENT RULES



1. Catchment Information

The Seven Creeks joins the Goulburn River just upstream of the Broken River and encompasses an area of approximately 1537 km². The mean annual flow at the bottom of the Seven Creek catchment is approximately 165,790 ML/yr. The Goulburn Broken Regional River Health Strategy lists the Seven Creek as a high value asset as it contains Trout Cod, Macquarie Perch and is classified as being an environmental site of significance. Key issues identified are stock access to the creeks and water quality, with issues of nutrient, DO and turbidity.

The catchment is bound to the east and north by the Broken River and the west by Creightons Creek. Significant tributaries of Seven Creeks include Honeysuckle, Stony, Folly, Violet Ponds and Faithful Creeks. The main townships within the catchment are Violet Town and Euroa. Within the catchment the predominant industry is dryland farming in the lower and middle catchment, and some intensive viticulture in the upper catchment.

2. Management of Licences

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Restriction	Trigger Values	Percent	
Stages	for Introduction	Restrictable	
	of Next Stage of	Demand	
	Restriction		
Stage 5	<=10 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 is a surface water monitoring station located within Euroa on Creek Drive.

4. Licences

Licence Allocation in Seven Creeks and Tributaries

Licence Type	Number of	Volume (ML)
	Licences	
Irrigation	76	1306
Registered Dams	64	1255.7
Total	140	2561.7

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 Seven Creeks and Tributaries:

4050345 4050320 405035

Sustainable Diversion Limit zones

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

4052009, 4052008, 4052007, 4052006, 4052005, 4052004, 4052003, 4052002, 4052001

