UPPER LODDON RIVER LOCAL MANAGEMENT RULES



1. Catchment Information

The Upper Loddon River flows into Cairn Curran Reservoir, and encompasses an area of approximately

736 km². The mean annual flow at the bottom of the Upper Loddon River catchment is approximately 103,300 ML/yr. The North Central River Health Strategy lists the Upper Loddon (above Cairn Curran) Program Area as it contains significant environmental values. These values include significant flora and fauna, invertebrates, wetland rarity and part of the Loddon River reach is considered to be in 'near' ecologically healthy condition. Key issues identified within the catchment are instream barriers (on stream dams), exotic flora, stock access, water quality, loss of instream habitat and introduced fauna.

The catchment is bound to the east by the Campaspe River catchment and the west by the Middle Creek catchment. Significant tributaries of the Upper Loddon River include Jim Crow, Campbells and Muckelford Creeks. The major townships within the catchment include Dayelsford, Newstead, Maldon and Glenlyon.

2. Management of Licences

Restriction Triggers for each stage of restriction.

Restriction	
<=10 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

The Upper Loddon River is monitored at the gauging station Loddon River @ Newstead (Station No. 407215). This flow rating is used in managing the restrictions on the Upper Loddon River and tributaries.

4. Licences

Licence Allocation in Upper Loddon River and Tributaries

Licence Type	Number of Licences	Volume (ML)
Irrigation	31	291.7
Registered Dams	50	1148
Total	81	1439.7

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 Upper Loddon River and Tributaries: 4071100 4071168 4071164

Sustainable Diversion Limit zones

Sustainable Diversion Limit zones used in the management of surface water trade within the Upper Loddon River catchment:

4070001 4070002 4070004 4070005 4070101

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