

YEA RIVER CATCHMENT LOCAL MANAGEMENT RULES

GOULBURN-MURRAY
WATER



1. Catchment Information

The Yea River joins the Goulburn River approximately 45km downstream of Lake Eildon, near the township of Yea and encompasses an area of around 908 km². Annual average catchment flow is approximately 110,000 ML/yr. The Upper Catchment consists of forested mountain streams giving way to alluvial plains at Murrindindi, approximately 10 km South of the Junction with the Goulburn River. The Goulburn Broken Regional River Health Strategy lists the Yea River as a high value asset as it contains Macquarie Perch and Barred Galaxias. With issues in the catchment including barriers to fish migration and stock access.

The catchment is bound to the west by the King Parrot Creek catchment and to the east by the Acheron River catchment. Significant tributaries of the Yea River include Ault Beag, Boggy, Boundary, Break O'day, Campbells, Captains, Island and Mountain Creeks, Kalatha, Limestone and Horseyard Creeks and the Murrindindi River. The main townships within the catchment are Yea, Glenburn and Toolangi.

2. Management of Licences

Restriction Triggers for each stage of restriction.

Restriction Stages	Trigger Values for Introduction of Stage of Restriction	Percent Restrictable Demand
Stage 1 (Roster)	50 ML/day	0%
Stage 2	40 ML/day	25%
Stage 3	30 ML/day	50%
Stage 4	20 ML/day	75%
Stage 5 (Suspension)	<=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

There is a surface water monitoring station located at Devlin's Bridge on the Melba HWY.

4. Licences

Licence Allocation in Yea River and Tributaries

Licence Type	Number of Licences	Volume (ML)
Irrigation	105	4,086
Commercial & Industrial	14	96
Domestic Stock	175	382
Registered Dams	49	1,090
Total	2945	5,654

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 Yea River and Tributaries.

4050289, 4050241, 4050202, 4050216, 4050237, 4050258, 4050254, 4050203, 4050248, 4050259, 4050235, 4050205, 4050212, 4050213, 4050217, 4050233, 4050238, 4050240, 4050261, 4050261, 4050262

Sustainable Diversion Limit zones

Sustainable Diversion Limit zones used in the management of surface water trade within the Yea catchment.

4051201, 4051202, 4051203, 4051204, 4051205, 4051206, 4051207, 4051208, 4051209, 4051210, 4051211, 4051212, 4051213

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