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No increase to Murrumbidgee general security allocation

NSW Water Commissioner, David Harriss, said today that the Murrumbidgee Valley general security allocation would remain unchanged at 59 percent of entitlement.

Mr Harriss said that the continuing dry and very hot conditions across the Murrumbidgee valley have resulted in negligible inflows and significantly higher than average losses.

“Increased use has seen Blowering Dam and Burrinjuck Dam drop to 68 percent and 47 percent of capacity respectively,” he said.

“However this has enabled relaxation of the restrictions of trade of allocation into the Murrumbidgee valley which will resume through a ballot process which was announced last week.”

Mr Harriss reiterated that under these very dry conditions, there was a 90 percent chance of the general security allocation increasing to 60 percent by 1 March.

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