INDI RIVER CATCHMENT LOCAL MANAGEMENT RULES



1. Catchment Information

The Indi River flows into the Murray River downstream of the junction with the Swampy Plain River, and

encompasses an area of approximately 1045 km². The mean annual flow at the bottom of the Indi River catchment is approximately 449,070 ML/yr. The North East Regional River Health Strategy lists the Upper River Murray Tributaries Management Unit as it contains significant environmental values, including Alpine Spiny Cray, Mountain Galaxias and River Blackfish. Key issues identified within the catchment are exotic flora, stock access, degraded water quality and degradation of riparian vegetation.

The Indi River catchment is predominantly forested in the upper and middle catchments, and is covered by the Alpine National Park. Significant tributaries of the Indi River include Biggara, Surveyors, Little Bunroy, Spring, Buckwong, Omeo and Limestone Creeks. Agriculture is extensive in the valley floors of the Indi River and its tributaries. Restrictions and rostering of the Indi River is done in consultation with New South Wales Water authorities.

2. Management of Licences

Restriction Triggers for each stage of restriction.

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Restriction Stages	Trigger Values for Introduction of Next Stage of Restriction	Percent Restrictable Demand	
Stage 1 (Roster)	165 ML/day	0%	
Stage 2	135 ML/day	25%	
Stage 3	110 ML/day	50%	
Stage 4	90 ML/day	75%	
Stage 5 (Suspension)	<=50 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 Indi River is monitored at the gauging station, River Murray @ Biggara (Station No. 401012). This flow rating is used in managing the restrictions on the Indi River and tributaries.

4. Licences

Licence Allocation in Indi River and Tributaries

Licence Type	Number of Licences	Volume (ML)
Irrigation	9	1319
Registered Dam	1	6
Total	10	1325

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 Indi River and Tributaries: 4015124 4015188

Sustainable Diversion Limit zones

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

4010913, 4010914, 4010915, 4010916, 4010917, 4010918, 4010919, 4010920, 4010921, 4010922, 4010923

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