

Water Trading Tool Kit - Fact Sheet 6

Keeping informed – where do I go to get the latest information?

Introduction

The water authorities and water brokers provide a lot of valuable information that can assist irrigators with their water management decisions. Information such as current inflows, water in store, water outlooks and water prices are all important that can assist you with your decisions around water purchasing or selling.

Current allocations

Seasonal allocations are generally made on the 1st and 15th of the each month (or the next business day if those days are on a weekend or public holiday). The water authorities also estimate the probability of future allocations, which is important information for irrigators planning for their requirements. The latest allocation information and water outlook information can be found on these websites:

Victoria: <http://www.nvrm.net.au/allocations/current.aspx>

<http://www.nvrm.net.au/outlooks.aspx>

NSW Murray: <http://www.murrayirrigation.com.au/media/water-resources-updates>

NSW Murrumbidgee: <http://www.mirrigation.com.au/Customers/Water-Allocations>

Water Price information

Allocation Trade

Victoria: <http://waterregister.vic.gov.au/water-trading/allocation-trading>

NSW Murray: <http://www.murrayirrigation.com.au/water/water-trade/water-exchange>

NSW Murrumbidgee: <http://www.wilkswater.com.au/temporary-water#MurrumbidgeeValley>

Water Share Trade

Victoria: <http://waterregister.vic.gov.au/water-trading/water-share-trading>

NSW Murray: <http://www.murrayirrigation.com.au/water/water-trade/permanent-trade-history>

NSW Murrumbidgee: <http://www.wilkswater.com.au/permanent-water#PastSales>

Other useful water trading sites:

<http://www.waterpoolcoop.com.au>

<http://www.ruralcowater.com.au>

<http://www.waterfind.com.au>

<https://www.waterexchange.com.au>

Inflows

Murray river inflows are published weekly on the MDBA website. Open the weekly report and scroll down to the end of the document to get a graphical representation of the inflows to the Murray system.

<http://www.mdba.gov.au/river-data/current-information-forecasts/weekly-report>

Total water available

Victoria provides access to the level of water available at any point in time and how much of that water is owned by the Commonwealth Environmental Water Holder. This information is not readily available for NSW.

<http://www.nvrm.net.au/resources.aspx>

Spill Risk (Victoria only)

<http://www.nvrm.net.au/risk-of-spill.aspx>

Trading Restrictions

A large number of specific trading rules apply across the southern-connected MDB and covering each one is not practical. Irrigators should, however, be aware of some key restrictions when developing their water trading strategies.

Barmah Choke:

<http://www.mdba.gov.au/river-data/barmah-choke>.

Victoria-NSW Allocation trade limits, Goulburn to Murray Allocation Trade limits:

<http://waterregister.vic.gov.au/water-trading/allocation-trading>

Murrumbidgee Trade Limits:

<http://www.statewater.com.au/Customer%20service/water-ordering-trading-pricing/Murrumbidgee%20Inter%20Valley%20Trade%20Account%20Status>