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Water allocations announced for Brogo Dam and South Coast water users

NSW Water Commissioner, David Harriss, today announced allocations for water users drawing from the Brogo Dam, together with other South Coast water sources, for the new 2012/2013 water year.

The new water year began on 1 July 2012.

General security access licence holders on the Brogo and Bega regulated rivers will receive an initial entitlement of 40 percent and high security holders will receive 100 percent. Town water supply will receive 100 per cent of allocation.

Supplementary water access licence holders will receive a 1 megalitre per unit share.

All other categories of water access licences covered by the Bega and Brogo rivers area regulated, unregulated and alluvial water sources will receive 100 per cent of their entitlement or 1 megalitre per unit share.

Brogo River catchment has received high rainfall since the beginning of the year, with dam levels peaking at almost 130 per cent of capacity in March.

With Brogo Dam currently sitting at around full capacity, this provides sufficient reserves for the initial allocations and will enable the water users to plan their activities over the coming year.

The NSW Office of Water will continue to closely monitor rainfall and river inflows and may make subsequent water allocation announcements as further water becomes available.

Full allocations have also been made for water users in the following water sharing plan areas - Wandella Creek, Kangaroo River, Murrah-Wallaga and Towamba River water sources.

Additional information on Available Water Determinations can be found on the NSW Office of Water's website at - **www.water.nsw.gov.au**

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