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Water allocations for the Belubula River

NSW Water Commissioner, David Harriss, today announced available water determinations for water users in the Belubula regulated river for the new 2013/2014 water year, commencing on 1 July 2013.

Domestic and stock, local water utility and high security water access licence holders on the regulated Belubula River will receive an allocation of 100 per cent or 1 megalitre per unit share of entitlement.

Belubula regulated river (general security) water access licence holders will not receive an allocation at this time. Assessments of the available water are undertaken on a regular basis throughout the year. Increases in allocations to general security licences are made incrementally as water becomes available.

These general security licence holders will have access to account water that has been carried over from the previous water year under the water sharing plan rules. General security licence holders will have access to an average of 78 per cent of entitlement, subject to the actual volume of carryover for each individual allocation account.

For the 2013/14 water year, licence holders can access water in accounts up to 100 per cent or 1 megalitre per unit share of their entitlement, plus any adjustments for trade.

Supplementary water access licence holders will receive an allocation of 1 megalitre per unit share of entitlement.

Storage levels at Carcoar Dam are currently at 62 per cent.

The NSW Office of Water will continue to closely monitor the situation and may make subsequent available water determinations for general security licence holders as further water becomes available.

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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