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## Water allocations for Central West water users

NSW Water Commissioner, David Harriss, today announced available water determinations for water users in the Macquarie and Cudgegong regulated rivers and the Macquarie and Bogan unregulated rivers and alluvial water sources for the new 2013/2014 water year, commencing 1 July 2013.

Local water utility, domestic and stock and supplementary water access licence holders on the Macquarie and Cudgegong regulated rivers will receive an allocation of 100 per cent or 1 megalitre per unit share of their entitlement.

The allocation for regulated river (high security) access licence holders will be 1 megalitre per unit share of their entitlement.

Regulated river (general security) access licence holders will not receive an allocation at this time. The NSW Office of Water will continue to closely monitor rainfall and river inflows and may make subsequent available water determinations for general security access licence holders as further 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. The total volume of approximately 310,000 megalitres represents an average of 49 per cent of entitlement, subject to the actual volume of carryover for each individual allocation account.

Storage level of Windamere Dam is currently at 56 per cent, while Burrendong Dam is at 43 per cent.

All water access licence holders covered by the Macquarie Bogan unregulated and alluvial water sources water sharing plan will receive an allocation of 100 per cent or 1 megalitre per unit share of entitlement.

Water access licence holders covered by the water sharing plans for the Castlereagh River above Binnaway water source and the Castlereagh below Binnaway unregulated and alluvial water sources will receive an allocation of 100 per cent or 1 megalitre per unit share of entitlement.

Additional information on Available Water Determinations can be found on the NSW Office of Water's website at - [www.water.nsw.gov.au](http://www.water.nsw.gov.au)

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