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Commencing water allocations for the Peel Valley

Department of Primary Industries Acting Deputy Director General Water, Michael Bullen, today announced commencing available water determinations for Peel Valley for water users for the new 2014/15 water year, commencing 1 July 2014.

In the Peel regulated river water source, local water utility and domestic and stock water access licence holders will receive an allocation of 70 percent of entitlement, consistent with the minimum provisions in the water sharing plan.

High security water access licence holders in the Peel regulated river water source will receive 0.5 megalitre per unit share.

There is insufficient available water in the Peel regulated river water source to allocate to general security water access licence holders at this time.

In accordance with agreed priorities in the water sharing plan, water will only be provided to general security licence holders once each category of local water utility, domestic and stock, and high security available water determinations reach 100 percent or 1.0 megalitre per unit share.

All local water utility and domestic and stock water access licence holders in the Peel unregulated river, Peel alluvium and Peel fractured rock water sources will receive an allocation of 100 percent of entitlement.

In the Peel alluvium water source, aquifer access licence holders will receive an allocation of 1 megalitre per unit share, while aquifer (general security) access licence holders will receive allocations of 0.51 megalitres per unit share of entitlement.

Peel unregulated river water access licence holders will receive an allocation of 100 percent of entitlement or 1 megalitre per unit share.

Aquifer access licence holders in the Peel fractured rock water source will also receive an allocation of 100 per cent of entitlement or 1 megalitre per unit share.

The NSW Office of Water will continue to closely monitor the situation and may make subsequent available water determinations 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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