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## Rising river alert Snowy River below Jindabyne Dam

The NSW Office of Water today issued a 'rising river alert' for the Snowy River between the Jindabyne Dam and Dalgety in southern NSW for Tuesday 24 September 2013.

This river will rise due the third in series of five planned environmental releases from Jindabyne to the Snowy River this spring, that will cause a number of changes in the water level during the day.

The flows will increase from 967 to 2,204 megalitres per day from midnight on 23 September and by 7am on 24 September; the flow rate will have increased from 2,204 to 2,855 ML/d.

This rate will be maintained for 8 hours, before returning to 2,204 megalitres until midnight when it will be reduced to 1,129 megalitres per day.

The impact of this release is expected to be greatest immediately below the dam wall, with the effects reducing as the flow moves further down the Snowy River towards Dalgety.

It is expected to see the following changes in river water level at Dalgety;

- Midnight Tuesday 1.26m
- 7am Tuesday 1.32m
- Midnight Wednesday 1.09m

It is important to note that there is between a two to three hour delay in water being released at Jindabyne and Dalgety weir at this flow rate.

Landholders downstream of the Jindabyne Dam are advised to take all necessary precautions with stock, fencing and property.

The Office of Water further reminded water users and residents that the fourth and largest release is expected to occur on October 8, subject to conditions.

NSW Office of Water will work with the NSW State Emergency Service and Bureau of Meteorology to provide information to the community regarding the management of this release closer to the date.

More information can be found at [www.water.nsw.gov.au](http://www.water.nsw.gov.au) or by calling **1800 353 104**

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