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No increase to Murrumbidgee general security

NSW Water Commissioner, David Harriss, said today that there would be no change to the Murrumbidgee Valley general security allocation, which would remain on 59 percent of entitlement .

Mr Harriss said that despite rainfall of between 50mm and 100mm over parts of the Murrumbidgee catchment during March, inflows to the valleys major dams has been minimal, reflecting the extent of the dry catchment.

“Burrinjuck Dam is currently at 45 percent of capacity holding 468 gigalitres while Blowering Dam is at 48 percent of capacity holding 804 gigalitres.”

“This is 42 gigalitres and 440 gigalitres respectively less than when the last allocation increase was announced on 15 January.”

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