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Commencing water allocations for the Gwydir Valley

NSW Water Commissioner, David Harriss, today announced Available Water Determinations for Gwydir Valley water users for the new 2012/2013 water year.

Local water utility, domestic and stock access licence holders on the Gwydir regulated river will receive 100 per cent of allocation. High security access licence holders will receive a 1 megalitre per unit share.

Gwydir regulated river general security licence holders have access to water carried over from the previous water year. This means that these licence holders will have access to an average of 149 per cent of entitlement, subject to the actual volume of carryover for each individual.

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

With significant inflows over the past year, Copeton Dam has a current storage capacity of 96 per cent.

Full allocations have also been made for water users covered by the Water Sharing Plan for the Rocky Creek, Cobbadah, Upper Horton and Lower Horton Water Sources.

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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