

VICTORIAN ENVIRONMENTAL WATER HOLDER
SEASONAL WATERING STATEMENT #7 FOR
GOULBURN BROKEN CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY 2017-18
BROKEN RIVER

The Victorian Environmental Water Holder makes the following seasonal watering statement under section 33DY of the *Water Act 1989*.

1. PURPOSE

This seasonal watering statement authorises Goulburn Broken Catchment Management Authority to use water from the Water Holdings to increase habitat and food availability for macroinvertebrates, provide habitat and movement cues for native fish and maintain habitat for aquatic plants in the Broken River, consistent with the *Seasonal Watering Plan 2017-18*. This seasonal watering statement also authorises use of return from the Broken River at downstream sites along the River Murray.

2. DURATION OF APPROVAL

This seasonal watering statement is valid from 16 March 2018 to 30 June 2018, unless superseded by another seasonal watering statement or revoked by the Victorian Environmental Water Holder.

3. AUTHORISATION TO USE THE WATER HOLDINGS

Goulburn Broken Catchment Management Authority is authorised to use up to 1,000 ML of water from the Water Holdings in the Broken River.

This water is made available by the Victorian Environmental Water Holder from ABA093270 held by the Victorian Environmental Water Holder.

Water is to be delivered consistent with the potential watering actions specified in section 5.5.1 of the *Seasonal Watering Plan 2017-18* and the provisions of the entitlement.

This authorisation is subject to:

- (a) consultation with Victorian Environmental Water Holder to ensure the availability of sufficient water in the Water Holdings to which this statement applies and the appropriate allocation bank account to order water from
- (b) implementation of the risk mitigating strategies identified in Goulburn Broken Catchment Management Authority's *Broken River and upper Broken Creek Seasonal Watering Proposal 2017-2018* and in line with section 1.3.6 of the *Seasonal Watering Plan 2017-18*
- (c) reporting to the Victorian Environmental Water Holder on implementation of this seasonal watering statement in accordance with the *Guidelines for reporting on the management of the Water Holdings*.

Execution

Executed on 16 March 2018



by

Denis Flett, Chairperson Victorian Environmental Water Holder. Upon the decision of the Commission of the Victorian Environmental Water Holder made on 15 March 2018.