

**VICTORIAN ENVIRONMENTAL WATER HOLDER**  
**SEASONAL WATERING STATEMENT #6 FOR**  
**GOULBURN BROKEN CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY 2017-18**  
**GAYNOR SWAMP, STOCKYARD PLAIN, MOODIE SWAMP**

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 maintain water levels to support vegetation growth and habitat for waterbirds at Gaynor Swamp, Stockyard Plain and Moodie Swamp consistent with the *Seasonal Watering Plan 2017-18*.

**2. DURATION OF APPROVAL**

This seasonal watering statement is valid from 22 February 2018 to 30 June 2018, unless superseded by another seasonal watering statement or revoked by the Victorian Environmental Water Holder.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 2,000 ML of water from the Water Holdings in the three wetlands listed in Schedule 1.

This water is made available by the Victorian Environmental Water Holder and the Commonwealth Environmental Water Holder and can be used under the *Goulburn River Environmental Entitlement 2010* (ABA093999, AB094000), the *Goulburn (NVIRP Stage 1) Environmental Entitlement* (ABA088037) and ABA093270 held by the Victorian Environmental Water Holder.

This authorisation includes:

- Up to 500 ML of water committed to Moodie Swamp by the Commonwealth Environmental Water Holder in accordance with its decision communicated through the *CEWO-VEWH Watering Schedule – Upper Broken Creek and Moodie Swamp, 2015-16 to 2017-18*, executed on 21 October 2015.
- Up to 1,500 ML of water committed to Gaynor Swamp and Stockyard Plain by the Victorian Environmental Water Holder.

Water is to be delivered consistent with the potential watering actions specified in section 5.4.2 and 5.5.3 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) endorsement of a delivery plan for individual wetlands listed in Schedule 1 by the Victorian Environmental Water Holder and implementation of the conditions and risk mitigating strategies of the endorsed delivery plans
- (c) an agreement for watering private land where required, endorsed by the Victorian Environmental Water Holder
- (d) implementation of the risk mitigating strategies identified in the Goulburn Broken Catchment Management Authority's *Goulburn Broken Wetlands Seasonal Watering*

*Proposal 2017-2018 and in line with section 1.3.6 of the Seasonal Watering Plan 2017-18.*

- (e) 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 22 February 2018

by 

**Denis Flett**, Chairperson Victorian Environmental Water Holder

Upon the decision of the Commission of the Victorian Environmental Water Holder made on 21 February 2018.

**SCHEDULE 1: AUTHORISED VOLUMES**

<b>Wetland name</b>	<b>Volume (ML)</b>
Gaynor Swamp	1,000*
Stockyard Plain	500*
Moodie Swamp	500#
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,000</b>

\* Water use per site may be varied in consultation with the VEWH, but total volume authorised must not be exceeded.

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