VICTORIAN ENVIRONMENTAL WATER HOLDER SEASONAL WATERING STATEMENT #3 FOR NORTH CENTRAL CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY 2024-25 CAMPASPE 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 North Central Catchment Management Authority to use water from the Water Holdings in the Campaspe River to achieve environmental objectives and expected watering effects specified in section 5.6.1 of the Seasonal Watering Plan 2024-25 and for emergency environmental watering in accordance with section 1.2.8 of the Seasonal Watering Plan 2024-25.

2. DURATION OF APPROVAL

This seasonal watering statement is valid from 1 July 2024 to 30 June 2025, unless superseded by another seasonal watering statement or revoked by the Victorian Environmental Water Holder.

3. AUTHORISATION TO USE THE WATER HOLDINGS

North Central Catchment Management Authority is authorised to use water made available by the Victorian Environmental Water Holder under the *Campaspe River Environmental Entitlement 2013* (allocation accounts 091209, 091210, 091211, 091212), *Environmental Entitlement (Campaspe River – Living Murray Initiative) 2007* (allocation accounts 062296, 043411) and the *Goulburn River Environmental Entitlement 2010* (allocation accounts 093999, 094000, 108627, 108628) held by the Victorian Environmental Water Holder, and under the *Bulk Entitlement (Campaspe System – Goulburn-Murray Water) Conversion Order 2000* (Passing Flow Account under clause 11 of the bulk entitlement) held by Goulburn Murray Water.

This authorisation includes water committed:

- By the Commonwealth Environmental Water Holder in accordance with a decision communicated through the CEWH-VEWH Watering Schedule Campaspe River System, 2024-25 to 2028-29, executed on 24 June 2024.
- In accordance with a decision of the Southern Connected Basin Environmental Watering Committee communicated to the Victorian Environmental Water Holder via an email on 3 July 2020.
- By the Victorian Environmental Water Holder, including up to 2,400 ML from the Goulburn River Environmental Entitlement 2010.

Water is to be delivered under the provisions of the entitlement and in accordance with the potential environmental watering actions specified in Table 5.6.4 of the Seasonal Watering Plan 2024-25 or the emergency watering procedure in section 1.2.8 of the Seasonal Watering Plan 2024-25.

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 account to order water from
- (b) consultation with the Victorian Environmental Water Holder when undertaking emergency environmental watering



- (c) implementation of the risk mitigating strategies identified in North Central Catchment Management Authority's *Campaspe River Seasonal Watering Proposal* 2024-25 and in line with section 1.2.7 of the Seasonal Watering Plan 2024-25
- (d) reporting to the Victorian Environmental Water Holder on implementation of this seasonal watering statement.

Execution

Executed on 26 June 2024

by

Kathryn Stanislawski, Team Leader – Planning and Reporting, Victorian Environmental Water Holder

Upon the decision of the Commission of the Victorian Environmental Water Holder made on 25 June 2024.

