

**VICTORIAN ENVIRONMENTAL WATER HOLDER**  
**SEASONAL WATERING STATEMENT #5A FOR**  
**NORTH CENTRAL CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY 2021-22**  
**BOORT WETLANDS: LAKE LEAGHUR, LAKE BOORT, LAKE MERAN**

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 at Lake Leaghur, Lake Boort and Lake Meran to achieve environmental objectives and expected watering effects specified in section 5.7.2 of the *Seasonal Watering Plan 2021-22* and for emergency environmental watering in accordance with section 1.3.7 of the *Seasonal Watering Plan 2021-22*.

**2. DURATION OF APPROVAL**

This seasonal watering statement is valid from 05-Aug-2021 to 30 June 2022, unless superseded by another seasonal watering statement or revoked by the Victorian Environmental Water Holder.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 up to 11,500 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 can be used under the *Bulk Entitlement (Loddon River – Environmental Reserve) Order 2005* (allocation accounts 067057, 043412, 093407 and 043413), *Goulburn River Environmental Entitlement 2010* (allocation account 067058) and the *Environmental Entitlement (Goulburn System – NVIRP Stage 1) 2012* (allocation account 088041) held by the Victorian Environmental Water Holder.

Water is to be delivered under the provisions of the entitlement and in accordance with the potential environmental watering actions specified in Table 5.7.3 of the *Seasonal Watering Plan 2021-22* or the emergency watering procedure in section 1.3.7 of the *Seasonal Watering Plan 2021-22*. The potential watering actions authorised are those that are denoted as tier 1a and tier 1b in Table 5.7.4 of the *Seasonal Watering Plan 2021-22*.

This seasonal watering statement supersedes *Seasonal Watering Statement #5 for North Central Catchment Management Authority 2021-22* and the total volume authorised includes water used under that seasonal watering statement between 1 July 2021 and 05-Aug-2021

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) endorsement of a delivery plans (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 and in line with section 1.3.6 of the *Seasonal Watering Plan 2021-22*
- (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 North Central Catchment Management Authority's *Seasonal Watering Proposal Loddon Murray*

Wetlands 2021-22 and in line with section 1.3.6 of the *Seasonal Watering Plan 2021-22*

- (e) reporting to the Victorian Environmental Water Holder on implementation of this seasonal watering statement.

**Execution**

Executed on 05/08/2021



Paulo Lay (Aug 5, 2021 13:15 GMT+10)

by

Paulo Lay, Co-Chief Executive Officer Victorian Environmental Water Holder  
Upon the decision of the Commission of the Victorian Environmental Water Holder  
made on 5 August 2021.

**SCHEDULE 1: AUTHORISED VOLUMES**

Wetland name	Volume (ML)*
Lake Leaghur	1,000
Lake Meran	6,000
Lake Boort	4,500
<b>Total</b>	<b>11,500</b>

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