



WATER MANAGEMENT ACT 2000
Order under section 45 (1) (a)

Water Sharing Plan for the New South Wales Murray and Lower Darling Regulated Rivers Water Sources Amendment Order 2010

Pursuant to section 45 (1) (a) of the *Water Management Act 2000*, I, PHILLIP COSTA MP, Minister for Water, having obtained the concurrence of the Minister for Climate Change and the Environment, being satisfied it is in the public interest to do so, make the following Water Sharing Plan for the New South Wales Murray and Lower Darling Regulated Rivers Water Sources Amendment Order 2010.

Dated this 24th day of June, 2010.

Phillip Costa, MP
Minister for Water

Explanatory note

Section 45 (1) (a) of the *Water Management Act 2000* provides that the Minister may, at any time, by order published on the NSW legislation website, amend a management plan if satisfied it is in the public interest to do so. The purpose of this Order is to amend the *Water Sharing Plan for the New South Wales Murray and Lower Darling Regulated Rivers Water Sources 2003*.

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1 Name of Order

This Order is the *Water Sharing Plan for the New South Wales Murray and Lower Darling Regulated Rivers Water Sources Amendment Order 2010*.

2 Commencement

This Order commences on the day on which it is published on the NSW legislation website.

3 Amendment

The *Water Sharing Plan for the New South Wales Murray and Lower Darling Regulated Rivers Water Sources 2003* is amended as set out in Schedule 1.

Schedule 1 Amendments

[1] Clause 31 (1) (b)

Omit paragraph (b). Insert instead:

- (b) for the Lower Darling Water Source is the lesser of:
 - (i) the long-term average annual extraction from the water source that would occur with the water storages, share components and water use development that existed in the water source in 2000/2001, and the share components of the access licences issued as part of the arrangements that replaced the replenishment flow provisions in clause 60 of this Plan, and the water management rules defined in this Plan, minus 35,500 ML per year, and
 - (ii) the long-term average annual extraction from the water source that would occur under the development and management conditions used to define Cap in Schedule E of the Murray Darling Basin Agreement, minus 35,500 ML per year.

Note. The 35,500 ML per year subtracted in this paragraph is the estimated long-term extraction associated with the 250,000 shares of supplementary water access licence share component purchased under the Living Murray Program and retired from the bulk access regime.

[2] Clause 60

Omit the clause and the Note.