

Water Sharing Plan for the New South Wales Murray and Lower Darling Regulated Rivers Water Sources Amendment Order 2015

under the

Water Management Act 2000

I, Niall Blair, the Minister for Lands and Water, in pursuance of section 45 (1) (a) of the *Water Management Act 2000*, being satisfied it is in the public interest to do so, make the following Order to amend the *Water Sharing Plan for the New South Wales Murray and Lower Darling Regulated Rivers Water Sources 2003*.

Dated this 27th day of August 2015.

NIALL BLAIR, MLC Minister for Lands and Water

Explanatory note

This Order is made under section 45 (1) (a) of the *Water Management Act 2000*. The object of this Order is to amend the *Water Sharing Plan for the New South Wales Murray and Lower Darling Regulated Rivers Water Sources 2003*. The concurrence of the Minister for the Environment was obtained prior to the making of this Order.

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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 2015.

2 Commencement

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

Schedule 1 Amendment of the Water Sharing Plan for the New South Wales Murray and Lower Darling Regulated Rivers Water Sources 2003

[1] Clause 15 Planned environmental water

Omit clause 15 (9). Insert instead:

(9) Water shall be taken from the Barmah-Millewa Allowance and made available to the Regulated Murray Water Source access licences whenever the sum of available water determinations for Murray Water Source regulated river (general security) access licences during the year is less than the total volume required to achieve the target water availability.

[2] Clause 39 Available water determinations for regulated river (general security) access licences

Omit clause 39 (11). Insert instead:

(11) Whenever the sum of available water determinations for regulated river (general security) access licences during the water year reaches the target water availability determined in clause 15 (10), no further available water determinations are to be made for Murray Water Source regulated river (general security) access licences during the water year until the Barmah-Millewa Allowance has been credited with a volume equivalent to any water taken from it under clause 15 (9) in this water year, or any previous water year, that has not already been recredited to the Barmah-Millewa Allowance.