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1.0 GENERAL

1.1 DELIVERY OF WATER

A person taking water from the works of the Corporation must take delivery of the water through the service points, at the time, in the order and in the manner as the Corporation or its officers direct.

1.2 WATER METERS

All meters or other instruments for measurement of water supplied must be of a form and pattern approved by the Corporation and must be installed under the supervision of and to the satisfaction of the Corporation.

1.3 DEFINITIONS

In the interpretation of this document and the schedules, the following words and phrases shall have the following meaning:

‘Above Entitlement Storage’ means the number of megalitres by which allocation carried over against a water share plus water allocated in the current season to the water share less any allocation spilled exceeds the volume of the water share.

"Act" means the *Water Act 1989*.

‘Annual Delivery Allowance’ means the delivery share multiplied by 270 for the Murray Valley, Shepparton, Central Goulburn, Rochester, Campaspe, Loddon Valley and Torrumbarry Areas of the Goulburn Murray Irrigation District or the delivery share multiplied by 365 for the Nyah and Tresco Irrigation Districts and the Woorinen Area of the Goulburn Murray Irrigation District..

‘Area’ or Sub-Area means part of an Irrigation District designated by the Corporation for administrative purposes.

‘Contiguous’ means parcels of land which share a common boundary (even if only at a point). In a group of more than two parcels, one parcel is contiguous with another parcel despite its boundary not touching the boundary of the second parcel, provided there is a link between the two parcels via one or more of the other parcels such that all the parcels along the link are thereby contiguous. Parcels of land will not cease to be contiguous only because: a railway, road, or Corporation works exists through a parcel of land or between parcels; a waterway, with or without Crown land frontage, exists through a parcel of land or between parcels of land; common property within the meaning of the Subdivision Act 1998 exists through a parcel of land or between parcels of land.

‘Delivery Share’ means the share of the capacity of the distribution system which is available to a property in an Irrigation District, expressed in megalitres per day and recorded in the Water Register in respect to that property.

‘Delivery Share Reservation’ means an agreement between an owner or occupier of a property and the Corporation to reserve for a specified period the right to a permanent transfer or issue of delivery share to the property.

‘Distribution Capacity Share’ means the share of the capacity of the distribution system which is available to a property in a Water District, expressed in kilolitres per day and recorded in the Water Register in respect of that property.

'Distribution System' means the channels, pipes and other works, and the natural and modified waterways or wetlands, which are used to transport water from any of the river systems to properties and urban offtakes in Water Districts and Irrigation Districts.

'Existing Channel' means any channel along which water from the Corporation's works is conveyed without being pumped.

'Licensee' means a person who is entitled to take and use water in accordance with the provisions of section 51 of the Act.

'Overuse' means:

- a) in respect to a property within an Irrigation District or Area - the volume of water used by the owner of a property in excess of the seasonal allocation, any advance allocation, any carryover allocation and any assignment of allocation applicable to that property; or
- b) in respect to a property within a Water District - the volume of water used by the owner of a property in excess of the seasonal water allowance, water supplied by agreement and any assignment of allocation applicable to that property.

'Practicable route' means a route along which a private channel could be constructed involving excavation of not more than 9.45 cubic metres per hectare of the area of the property to be served and not more than 1147 cubic metres for any 1.6 km of channel excluding the distance the channel transverses a public road.

'Property' unless stated otherwise is a reference to a serviced property and means:

- (a) for Water Districts and for the purposes of surface drainage, community surface drainage and subsurface drainage in Irrigation Districts, all the contiguous lands which are occupied by the one person or by several persons jointly or by a number of persons whether related or not who use the lands for a common purpose as part of a single enterprise (for example, a partnership) and includes Crown lands leased by one or more of the persons; or
- (b) for the purposes of water delivery in Irrigation Districts, all the lands (whether contiguous or not) which are occupied by the same person or by several persons jointly by a number of persons whether related or not who use the lands for a common purpose as part of a single enterprise (for example, a partnership) and includes Crown lands leased by one or more of the persons.

'Seasonal water allowance' means the volume of water made available to a serviced property in a Water District for the financial year.

'Tariff for recovering distribution costs' means the method of calculating the fee payable by an owner of a property within an Irrigation District or Area for accessing or using the Corporation's infrastructure and is the sum of the Infrastructure Access Fee, the Infrastructure Use Fee and the Casual Infrastructure Use Fee as described in paragraphs 3.1.5, 3.1.6 and 3.1.7.

'Water Register' means the Victorian Water Register kept in accordance with Part 5A of the Act.

1.4 INTERPRETATION

Words and phrases used in this document shall, unless the contrary is indicated, have the same meaning as contained in the Act.

2.0 ENTITLEMENT STORAGE

2.1 *Entitlement Storage Fee – Water User*

The Entitlement Storage Fee payable by the owner of a water share associated with land is calculated by reference to the charge per megalitre set by resolution of the Corporation in respect to the declared water system to which the water share forms part multiplied by the number of megalitres of the water share.

The Entitlement Storage Fee is made and levied for the financial year.

2.2 *Entitlement Storage Fee – Non Water User*

The Entitlement Storage Fee paid by the owner of a water share not associated with land is calculated by reference to the charge per megalitre set by resolution of the Corporation in respect to the declared water system to which the water share forms part multiplied by the number of megalitres of the water share.

The Entitlement Storage Fee is made and levied for the financial year.

2.3 *Above Entitlement Storage Fee*

The Above Entitlement Storage Fee paid by the owner of a water share that has above entitlement storage recorded against the water share is calculated by reference to the charge per megalitre set by resolution of the Corporation multiplied by the above entitlement storage.

The Above Entitlement Storage Fee is made and levied for the financial year.

2.4 *Service Fee – Non Water User*

The Service Fee payable by the owner of a water share not associated with land is the charge set by resolution of the Corporation.

The Service Fee is made and levied for the financial year.

3.0 IRRIGATION DISTRICTS

3.1 WATER DELIVERY

3.1.1 *Service Fee – All Districts and All Areas*

The Service Fee payable by the owner of a property which has a delivery share within a District or Area is the tariff per property set by resolution of the Corporation for that District or Area.

The Service Fee is made and levied for the financial year.

3.1.2 *Service Point Fee - Goulburn Murray (excluding Woorinen Area) District*

The Service Point Fee payable by the owner of a property within the District for each service point provided for the property is calculated by reference to the tariffs set by resolution of the Corporation and multiplied by the number of irrigation or domestic and stock service points, as the case may be, provided for the property.

The Service Point Fee is made and levied for the financial year.

3.1.3 *Additional Service Point Fee – Goulburn Murray (Woorinen Area), Nyah and Tresco Districts*

The Additional Service Point Fee payable by the owner of a property within a District or Area for each service point provided in excess of the initial service point for the property is calculated by reference to the tariff set by resolution of the Corporation for that District or Area and multiplied by the number of such service points.

The Additional Service Point Fee is made and levied for the financial year.

3.1.4 *Infrastructure Access Fee – All Districts and All Areas*

The Infrastructure Access Fee payable by the owner of a property within a District or Area is calculated by reference to the tariff per megalitre per day set by resolution of the Corporation for that District or Area and multiplied by the number of megalitres per day of delivery share.

The Infrastructure Access Fee is made and levied for the irrigation period.

3.1.5 *Infrastructure Use Fee – All Districts and All Areas*

The Infrastructure Use Fee payable by the owner of a property within a District or Area is calculated by reference to the tariff per megalitre set by resolution of the Corporation for that District or Area and multiplied by the number of megalitres of water not exceeding the annual delivery allowance delivered.

The Infrastructure Use Fee is made and levied for the financial year.

3.1.6 *Casual Infrastructure Use Fee – All Districts and All Areas*

The Casual Infrastructure Use Fee payable by the owner of a property within a District or Area is calculated by reference to the tariff per megalitre set by resolution of the Corporation for that District or Area and multiplied by the number of megalitres of water delivered that exceed the annual delivery allowance.

The Casual Infrastructure Use Fee is made and levied for the financial year.

3.1.7 Delivery Share Reservation Fee – All Districts and All Areas

The Delivery Share Reservation Fee payable by the owner of a property within a District or Area and the owner of any land supplied or capable of supply with water from the Corporation's distribution system is calculated by reference to the tariff per megalitre per day set by resolution of the Corporation for that District or Area and multiplied by the number of megalitres per day of delivery share reserved.

The Delivery Share Reservation Fee is made and levied for the financial year.

3.1.8 Regional Urban Distribution Fee – All Districts and All Areas

The Regional Urban Distribution Fee payable by the holder of a bulk entitlement is calculated as follows:

$$A \times B + C \times D + E \times F$$

Where

A is the Infrastructure Access tariff per megalitre per day payable by the owner of a property in the surrounding District or Area as the case may be;

B is the delivery share assigned to the bulk entitlement holder;

C is the Infrastructure Use tariff per megalitre payable by the owner of a property in the surrounding District or Area as the case may be;

D is the number of megalitres of water not exceeding the annual delivery allowance delivered to the bulk entitlement holder;

E is the Casual Infrastructure Use tariff per megalitre payable by the owner of a property in the surrounding District or Area as the case may be; and

F is the number of megalitres of water exceeding the annual delivery allowance delivered to the bulk entitlement holder.

For the purposes of this clause the Regional Urban Distribution Fee equates to a Tariff for Recovering Distribution Costs as referred to in the relevant Conversion Order.

The Regional Urban Distribution Fee is made and levied for the irrigation period.

3.1.9 Overuse Fee – All Districts and All Areas

The Overuse Fee payable by the owner of a property within a District or Area is calculated by reference to the tariff per megalitre set by resolution of the Corporation for that District or Area and multiplied by the number of megalitres of water overused on the property.

The Overuse Fee is made and levied for the financial year.

3.1.10 Water Delivered from 15 May to 15 August – Goulburn Murray (excluding Woorinen Area) District

The Casual Infrastructure Use tariff for the financial year in which the water is delivered will apply to all water delivered to a property in a District or Area during the period from 15 May to 15 August, provided that the minimum fee payable is equal to the fee for one megalitre so delivered.

3.1.11 Termination Fee – All Districts and All Areas

The Termination Fee payable by the owner of a property within a District or Area is calculated by reference to the Water Charge (Termination Fees) Rules 2009 (Cth).

3.2 IRRIGATION PERIOD**3.2.1 Irrigation Period - Goulburn Murray (excluding Woorinen Area) District**

The irrigation period is from 15 August 2014 to 15 May 2015.

3.2.2 Irrigation Period - Goulburn Murray (Woorinen Area), Nyah and Tresco Districts

The irrigation period is from 1 July 2014 to 30 June 2015.

3.3 SURFACE DRAINAGE**3.3.1 Service Fee – Goulburn Murray (excluding Woorinen Area) District**

The Service Fee payable by the owner of a property within a District or Area is the tariff per property set by resolution of the Corporation for that District or Area.

The Service Fee is made and levied for the financial year.

3.3.2 Area Fee – Goulburn Murray (excluding Woorinen Area) District

The Area Fee payable by the owner of a property within a District or Area is calculated by reference to the tariff set by resolution of the Corporation for that District or Area and is calculated as follows:

$$A \times B \times C$$

Where

A is the tariff per hectare;

B is the total area in hectares of the property; and

C is the Proportion of the Tariff to be Applied relating to the Drainage Division set out in the table in paragraph 3.3.4.

The Area Fee is made and levied for the financial year.

3.3.3 Water Use Fee – Goulburn Murray (excluding Woorinen Area) District

The Water Use Fee payable by the owner of a property within a District or Area is calculated by reference to the tariff set by resolution of the Corporation for that District or Area and is calculated as follows:

$$A \times B \times C$$

Where

A is the tariff per megalitre of water used;

B is the number of megalitres of water used; and

C is the Proportion of the Drainage Tariff to be applied relating to the Drainage Division set out in the table in paragraph 3.3.4.

The Water Use Fee is made and levied for the financial year.

3.3.4 Table

Drainage Division of Property	Proportion of Drainage Tariff to be Applied
1	100%
2	75%
3	50%
4	25%
5	15%
6	10%
7	5%
8	0%

The Drainage Division of each property shall be calculated in accordance with 'Classification of Lands for Drainage' as set out in *Schedule 1*.

3.4 COMMUNITY SURFACE DRAINAGE**3.4.1 Community Surface Drainage Fee – Goulburn Murray (excluding Woorinen Area) District**

The Community Surface Drainage Fee payable by the owner of a property within a District or Area, who is a participant in a community surface drainage scheme administered by the Corporation, is calculated by reference to the tariff set by resolution of the Corporation for that District or Area and is calculated as follows:

$$A \times B$$

Where

A is the tariff per kilometre equivalent of drain; and

B is the kilometre equivalent of drain as recorded and shown in the Water Register in respect to that property.

The Community Surface Drainage Fee is made and levied for the financial year.

3.5 SUBSURFACE DRAINAGE**3.5.1 Subsurface Drainage Fee - Shepparton Area**

The Subsurface Drainage Fee payable by the owner of a property within the Area is calculated by reference to the tariff set by resolution of the Corporation and is calculated as follows:

$$A \times B$$

Where

A is the tariff per megalitre of high reliability water share; and

B is the number of megalitres of high reliability water share associated with the property.

The Subsurface Drainage Fee is made and levied for the financial year.

3.5.2 Subsurface Drainage Fee – Campaspe Area

The Subsurface Drainage Fee payable by the owner of a property within the Area is calculated by reference to the tariff set by resolution of the Corporation and is calculated as follows:

$$A \times B \times C$$

Where

A is the tariff per megalitre of water used:

B is the number of megalitres used; and

C is the service level for a direct beneficiary property defined as 1.0 in Part B of *Schedule 2*.

The Subsurface Drainage Fee is made and levied for the financial year.

3.5.3 Subsurface Drainage Fee – Tresco District

The Subsurface Drainage Fee payable by the owner of a property within the District is calculated by reference to the tariff set by resolution of the Corporation and is calculated as follows:

$$A \times B \times C$$

Where

A is the tariff per megalitre of high reliability water share;

B is the number of megalitres of high reliability water share attached to the property; and

C is the Proportion of Drainage Tariff to be Applied relating to the Drainage Division set out in the table in paragraph 3.5.11.

The Subsurface Drainage Fee is made and levied for the financial year.

3.5.4 Service Fee - Central Goulburn, Rochester and Murray Valley Areas

The Service Fee payable by the owner of a property within an Area is calculated by reference to the tariff set by resolution of the Corporation for that Area and is calculated as follows:

$$A \times B$$

Where

A is the tariff per megalitre of water used; and

B is the number of megalitres used.

The Service Fee is made and levied for the financial year.

3.5.5 Local Benefit Area Fee - Central Goulburn, Rochester and Murray Valley Areas

The Local Benefit Area Fee payable by the owner of a property within an Area is calculated by reference to the tariff set by resolution of the Corporation for that Area and is calculated as follows:

$$A \times B \times C$$

Where

A is the tariff per hectare;

B is the total area in hectares of the property; and

C is the service level for the property as set out in Part A of *Schedule 2*.

The Local Benefit Area Fee is made and levied for the financial year.

3.5.6 Local Benefit Water Use Fee - Central Goulburn, Rochester and Murray Valley Areas

The Local Benefit Water Use Fee payable by the owner of a property within an Area is calculated by reference to the tariff set by resolution of the Corporation for that Area and is calculated as follows:

$$A \times B \times C$$

Where

A is the tariff per megalitre of water used;

B is the number of megalitres used; and

C is the service level for the property as set out in Part A of *Schedule 2*.

The Local Benefit Water Use Fee is made and levied for the financial year.

3.5.7 Municipal Benefit Local Area Fee - Central Goulburn, Rochester and Murray Valley Areas

The Municipal Benefit Local Area Fee payable by Local Government Municipalities within an Area is calculated by reference to the tariff set by resolution of the Corporation for that Area and is calculated as follows:

$$A \times B \times C$$

Where

A is the tariff per hectare;

B is the number of hectares to which the tariff applies for the financial year;
and

C is the service level attributed to the municipality by the Corporation.

The Municipal Benefit Local Area Fee is made and levied for the financial year.

3.5.8 Service Fee – Woorinen Area, Woorinen Sub-Area of Torrumbarry and Nyah District

The Service Fee payable by the owner of a property within an Area, Sub-Area or District is the tariff per property set by the resolution of the Corporation for that Area, Sub-Area or District.

The Service Fee is made and levied for the financial year.

3.5.9 Area Fee – Woorinen Area and Woorinen Sub-Area of Torrumbarry

The Area Fee payable by the owner of a property within an Area or Sub-Area is calculated by reference to the tariff set by resolution of the Corporation for that Area or Sub-Area and is calculated as follows:

$$A \times B \times C$$

Where

A is the tariff per hectare;

B is the total area in hectares of the property; and

C is the Proportion of Drainage Tariff to be Applied relating to the Drainage Division set out in the table in paragraph 3.5.13.

The Area Fee is made and levied for the financial year.

3.5.10 Water Use Fee – Nyah District

The Water Use Fee payable by the owner of a property within the District is calculated by reference to the tariff set by resolution of the Corporation and is calculated as follows:

$$A \times B \times C$$

Where

A is the tariff per megalitre of water used;

B is the number of megalitres of water used; and

C is the Proportion of Drainage Tariff to be Applied relating to the Drainage Division set out in the table in paragraph 3.5.12.

The Water Use Fee is made and levied for the financial year.

3.5.11 Water Use Fee - Woorinen Area and Woorinen Sub-Area of Torrumbarry

The Water Use Fee payable by the owner of a property within an Area or Sub-Area is calculated by reference to the tariff set by resolution of the Corporation for that Area or Sub-Area and is calculated as follows:

$$A \times B \times C$$

Where

A is the tariff per megalitre of water used;

B is the number of megalitres of water used; and

C is the Proportion of Drainage Tariff to be Applied relating to the Drainage Division set out in the table in paragraph 3.5.13.

The Water Use Fee is made and levied for the financial year.

3.5.12 Table – Nyah and Tresco Districts

Drainage Tariff Division of the Property	Proportion of Drainage Tariff to be Applied
1	100%
2	75%
3	50%
4	25%
5	0%
6	0%
7	0%
8	0%

The Drainage Tariff Division of each property shall be calculated in accordance with 'Classification of Lands for Drainage' as set out in *Schedule 1*.

3.5.13 Table – Woorinen Area and Woorinen Sub-Area

Drainage Tariff Division of the Property	Proportion of Drainage Tariff to be Applied
1	100%
2	75%
3	50%
4	25%
5	15%
6	10%
7	5%
8	0%

The Drainage Tariff Division of each property shall be calculated in accordance with 'Classification of Lands for Drainage' as set out in *Schedule 1*.

3.6 DRAINAGE DIVERSION

3.6.1 *Drainage Diversion Site Fee – All Districts and All Areas*

The Drainage Diversion Site Fee payable by the owner of a property within an Area, Sub-Area or District for water supplied for irrigation from any drain is (except in the case of any special agreement with the Corporation) calculated by reference to the tariff per site set by resolution of the Corporation for that Area, Sub-Area or District multiplied by the number of diversion sites.

The Drainage Diversion Site Fee is made and levied for the financial year.

3.6.2 *Drainage Diversion Agreement Fee – All Districts and All Areas*

The Drainage Diversion Agreement Fee payable by the owner of a property within an Area, Sub-Area or District for water supplied for irrigation from any drain is (except in the case of any special agreement with the Corporation) calculated by reference to the tariff per megalitre set by resolution of the Corporation for that Area, Sub-Area or District and multiplied by the greater of the volume of megalitres specified in the drainage diversion agreement or the volume used.

The Drainage Diversion Agreement Fee is made and levied for the financial year.

3.7 SALINITY MITIGATION

3.7.1 *Salinity Mitigation Fee*

The Salinity Mitigation Fee payable by the owner of a property that is within a salinity impact zone is calculated by reference to the tariff per megalitre of annual use limit set by resolution of the Corporation for that salinity impact zone and multiplied by the number of megalitres of that part of the property's annual use limit to which the Salinity Mitigation Fee applies.

The Salinity Mitigation Fee is made and levied for the financial year.

4.0 WATER DISTRICTS

4.1 TUNGAMAH PIPED, NORMANVILLE AND EAST LODDON DISTRICTS

4.1.1 Service Fee

The Service Fee payable by the owner of a property within a District is the tariff per property set by resolution of the Corporation for that District.

The Service Fee is made and levied for the financial year.

4.1.2 Water Allowance Storage Fee

The Water Allowance Storage Fee payable by the owner of a property within a District is calculated by reference to the tariff per megalitre set by resolution of the Corporation for that District and multiplied by the number of megalitres of water allowance and supply by agreement available to the property.

The Water Allowance Storage Fee is made and levied for the financial year.

4.1.3 Infrastructure Access Fee

The Infrastructure Access Fee payable by the owner of a property within a District is calculated by reference to the tariff per kilolitre per day set by resolution of the Corporation for that District and multiplied by the number of kilolitres per day of distribution capacity share.

The Infrastructure Access Fee is made and levied for the financial year.

4.1.4 Infrastructure Use Fee

The Infrastructure Use Fee payable by the owner of a property within a District is calculated by reference to the tariff per megalitre set by resolution of the Corporation for that District and multiplied by the number of megalitres delivered.

The Infrastructure Use Fee is made and levied for the financial year.

4.1.5 Additional Service Point Fee

The Additional Service Point Fee payable for each additional service point provided for a property in a District is calculated by reference to the tariff set by resolution of the Corporation for that District and multiplied by the number of additional service points.

The Additional Service Point Fee is made and levied for the financial year.

4.1.6 Overuse Fee

The Overuse Fee payable by the owner of a property within a District (except in the case of special agreement with the Corporation) is calculated by reference to the tariff per megalitre set by resolution of the Corporation for that District and multiplied by the number of megalitres delivered that exceed the seasonal water allowance.

The Overuse Fee is made and levied for the financial year.

4.2 EAST LODDON NORTH AND WEST LODDON DISTRICTS

4.2.1 Service Fee

The Service Fee payable by the owner of a property within a District is the tariff per property set by resolution of the Corporation for that District.

The Service Fee is made and levied for the financial year.

4.2.2 Water Allowance Storage Fee

The Water Allowance Storage Fee payable by the owner of a property within a District is calculated by reference to the tariff per megalitre set by resolution of the Corporation for that District and multiplied by the number of megalitres of water allowance and supply by agreement available to the property.

The Water Allowance that may be supplied (except in the case of special agreement with the Corporation) is set out in the *Schedule 4*.

The Water Allowance Storage Fee is made and levied for the financial year.

4.2.3 Infrastructure Access Fee

The Infrastructure Access Fee payable by the owner of a property within a District is calculated by reference to the tariff per hectare set by resolution of the Authority for that District and multiplied by the number of hectares of the property and as adjusted in accordance with the following table:

Water Supply Division	Proportion of Tariff to be Applied
1	100%
2	50%
3	25%
4	0%

The basis of the Water Supply Division classification is set out in *Schedule 3*.

The Infrastructure Access Fee is made and levied for the financial year.

4.2.4 Overuse Fee

The Overuse Fee payable by the owner of a property within a District (except in the case of special agreement with the Corporation) is calculated by reference to the tariff per megalitre set by resolution of the Authority for that District and multiplied by the number of megalitres overused.

The Overuse Fee is made and levied for the financial year.

5.0 FLOOD PROTECTION DISTRICT - LOCH GARRY

5.1 Service Fee

The Service Fee payable by the owner of a property within a District is the tariff per property set by resolution of the Corporation for that District.

The Service Fee is made and levied for the financial year.

5.2 Flood Protection Fee

The Flood Protection Fee payable by the owner of:

- (a) a property within the District that is rateable under section 154 of the *Local Government Act 1989* is calculated by reference to the tariff per hectare set by resolution of the Corporation and multiplied by the number of hectares of the property; and
- (b) a property within the District that is not rateable under section 154 of the *Local Government Act 1989* is calculated by reference to the charge per hectare set by resolution of the Corporation and multiplied by the number of hectares of the property.

The Flood Protection Fee is made and levied for the financial year.

Schedule 1: Classification of Lands for Drainage

General

This schedule sets out the drainage divisions for the classification of properties drained to the Corporation's works.

The schedule applies to properties which are:

- (a) Drained (by pumping or gravitating) directly into the Corporation's drains or can be so drained by the construction of internal drains (private drains taken over by the Corporation for maintenance purposes shall be regarded as forming part of the Corporation's works).

Properties drained directly include those served by a community, private or road table drain with entry to the Corporation's works and with the closest point of the furthestmost properties on the drain not more than 61 m from the Corporation's drain.

- (b) Drained (by pumping or gravitating) to the Corporation's drains along a practicable route by either community, private or road table drains.
- (c) Indirectly drained (by pumping or gravitating) to the Corporation's drains via a route through private land (without appropriate drainage rights).
- (d) Drained by discharging (pumping or gravitating) into the Corporation's supply channels, either individually or as a community group.

Equivalent Area Drained – Goulburn Murray Irrigation District

Application of the drainage fee for the Goulburn Murray Irrigation District requires the determination of the equivalent area drained directly into the Corporation's drains or channels for each property using the following drainage factors:

(a)	Directly into Corporation drains or can be so drained by the construction of internal works	1.00
(b)	Via community, private or road drains more than 61 m in length	0.25
(c)	Indirectly into Corporation drains	0.25
(d)	Discharging into Corporation supply channels	0.125
(e)	Not drained or not drained to Corporation works	0

The equivalent area drained for each property is determined by determining that part of the property which falls into each of the five categories given above and summing the figures determined by multiplying these areas by their respective drainage factors. This total is then used to determine the drainage division for the property.

Drainage Divisions - Goulburn Murray Irrigation District

The drainage divisions together with their respective proportions are as follows:

- **1st Division - 100%**
All properties for which the equivalent area drained is not less than two-thirds (67%) of the total area of the property.
- **2nd Division - 75%**
All properties, not included in 1st Division, for which the equivalent area drained is more than half (50%) but less than two thirds (67%) of the total area of the property.

- **3rd Division - 50%**
 - (a) All properties, not included in 1st or 2nd Division, for which the equivalent area drained is more than one quarter (25%) but less than one half (50%) of the total area of the properties.
 - (b) All properties which receive protection from Corporation intercepting drains.
- **4th Division - 25%**
 - (a) All properties, not included in the 1st, 2nd or 3rd Divisions to which the "Rating of Community Surface Drain Catchments" policy adopted by the Corporation on 21 March 1996 applies
 - (b) All properties, not included in 1st, 2nd or 3rd Division or part (a) of 4th Division for which the equivalent area drained is more than fifteen percent (15%) but less than one quarter (25%) of the total area of the properties.
 - (c) All properties, not included in 1st, 2nd or 3rd Division or part (a) of 4th Division which as a result of any of the Corporation's works receive protection.
- **5th Division - 15%**
All properties, not included in 1st, 2nd, 3rd or 4th Division, for which the equivalent area drained is more than ten percent (10%) but less than fifteen percent (15%) of the total area of the properties.
- **6th Division - 10%**
All properties, not included in 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th or 5th Division, for which the equivalent area drained is more than five percent (5%) but less than ten percent (10%) of the total area of the properties.
- **7th Division - 5%**
All properties, not included in 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th or 6th Division, for which the equivalent area drained is not more than five percent (5%) of the total area of the properties.
- **8th Division – 0%**
All other lands within the District.

Special Condition

All properties having areas of land which can be drained directly into the Corporation's works or can be so drained by the construction of internal drains but which are adversely affected to a substantial degree by flooding from the Corporation's drains shall be classified one drainage division lower than would otherwise be determined.

Drainage Divisions - Nyah and Tresco Irrigation Districts

The drainage divisions for the Nyah and Tresco Irrigation Districts together with their respective proportions are as follows:

- **1st Division - 100%**
All properties of which not less than two-thirds of their areas are effectively drained into the Corporation's works, or can be so drained by the construction of internal drains (private drains taken over by the Corporation for maintenance purposes shall be regarded as forming part of the Corporation's works). Some residential properties not exceeding 0.2 of a hectare which can be effectively drained are excepted. See 3rd Division (c).

- **2nd Division - 75%**
 - (a) All properties, not included in 1st Division, more than half but less than two thirds of whose areas are drained directly into the Corporation's works or can be so drained by the construction of internal drains.
 - (b) All properties, which are drained directly into the Corporation's works or can be so drained by the construction of internal drains, but which are adversely affected to a substantial degree by flooding from the Corporation's drains.

- **3rd Division - 50%**
 - (a) All properties, not included in 1st or 2nd Division, more than one quarter and less than one half of whose areas are drained directly into the Corporation's works or can be so drained by the construction of internal drains.
 - (b) All properties, not included in 1st or 2nd Division, the nearest portion of which is within 1.6 kilometres of a drain of the Corporation's works and which can be drained by a surface drain thereto along practicable route, or properties which receive protection from intercepting drains.
 - (c) Small residential properties, not exceeding 0.2 of a hectare in area, which can be effectively drained into the Corporation's works.
 - (d) In the Nyah District only where more than half the area to be drained is drained by gravity and remainder pumped.

- **4th Division - 25%**
 - (a) All properties, not included in 1st, 2nd or 3rd Division, less than one quarter of whose areas are drained directly into the Corporation's works or can be so drained by the construction of internal drains.
 - (b) All properties, not included in 1st, 2nd or 3rd Division, which as a result of any of the Corporation's works receive drainage benefit or protection.
 - (c) In the Nyah District only where less than half the area to be drained is drained by gravity and the remainder pumped.

- **5th, 6th, 7th and 8th Divisions - 0%**
 - (a) Properties traversed by a well defined depression which provided adequate natural drainage prior to the construction of the Corporation's works, where the level of the water table does not present an existing problem.
 - (b) Properties which are indirectly drained by route either through private land (without an appropriate easement) or along a road without the consent of the Municipality.
 - (c) All other lands within the District.

Schedule 2: Subsurface Drainage Service Level

Part A – Central Goulburn, Rochester and Murray Valley Areas

- **Service Level A**

Value = 5 Units

In "orchard areas" where the ground water level is maintained (by pumping) more than two metres below the surface.

An orchard area is any perennial fruit tree or vine plantings that are grown for commercial purposes.

- **Service Level B**

Value = 3 Units

Where the ground water level is drawn down below its original level by greater than 30 centimetres after a two month pump test.

- **Service Level C**

Value = 1 Unit

Where the ground water level is drawn down below its original level by between 10 and 30 centimetres after a two month pump test.

- **Service Level D**

Value = Nil Unit

Drawdown is less than 10 centimetres (no direct benefit assigned) after a two month pump test.

Part B – Campaspe Irrigation Area

- **Service Level 1.0**

Where a property used for irrigation in the Campaspe West Area Salinity Management Plan derives benefit as a result of salinity dilution flows from the Waranga Western Channel.

Schedule 3: East Loddon North and West Loddon Water Districts - Water Supply Division

	WATER SUPPLY DIVISIONS		
	RESIDENTIAL AND NON RESIDENTIAL PROPERTIES		
	<4.5 HA	>4.5 HA <260 HA	>260 HA
1. PROPERTIES SUPPLIED BY THE DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM			
(a) by gravity	1 st	1 st	1 st
(b) pumping by the landholder	2 nd	2 nd	2 nd
(c) by gravitation possible via a private channel not greater than 1.6 km in length	1 st	1 st	1 st
(d) any section forming part of a property of which any portion is in first division and which section could be supplied by gravity by a private channel which would be more than 1.6 km but not more than 4 km in length along a practicable route from an existing channel	-	-	2 nd
(e) any section forming part of a property which is in first or second division which is not included in (b), (c) or (d)	-	-	3 rd
(f) Crown Land held under a grazing lease or licence whereby a condition prevents clearing of the land	-	-	3 rd
2. PROPERTIES NOT SUPPLIED BY THE DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM			
(a) Small residential properties of 4.5 ha or less not actually supplied but within 1.6 km of a public tank filled by the Corporation	3 rd	-	-
(b) Properties (except small residential properties of 4.5 ha or less) on which a tank could be constructed so that it could be filled to within 60 cm of the natural surface by gravitation through a private channel not more than 1.6 km in length constructed along a practicable route	-	1 st	1 st

Schedule 4: East Loddon North and West Loddon Water Districts - Water Allowance

Water District	Lands in 1 st Division	Lands in 2 nd Division	Lands in 3 rd Division
East Loddon North	6 megalitres	3 megalitres	1.5 megalitres
West Loddon	6 megalitres	3 megalitres	1.5 megalitres

Standard quantities to be supplied to any property in respect of each 250 hectares, with proportionate quantities for greater or lesser area.