

Water Management

Water Management Act 1999

Section 11 Exemption Order

Cease-to-take flow thresholds in the South Esk River and Break O'Day River Management Zones of the South Esk River catchment

I Jeremy Rockliff, Minister for Primary Industries and Water, acting pursuant to section 11 of the *Water Management Act 1999*, hereby exempt all licensees with a water allocation authorising the taking of water in the South Esk River and Break O'Day River Management Zones in the South Esk River catchment (as shown in Figure 1), from the cease-to-take flow thresholds specified in Table 7 of section 5.1.1 of the *South Esk River Catchment Water Management Plan June 2013*.

The South Esk River Management Zone includes the following zones shown in Figure 1:

1. the Upper South Esk Management Zone; and
2. the Middle South Esk Management Zone; and
3. the Lower South Esk Management Zone; and
4. the South Esk River Outlet Management Zone.

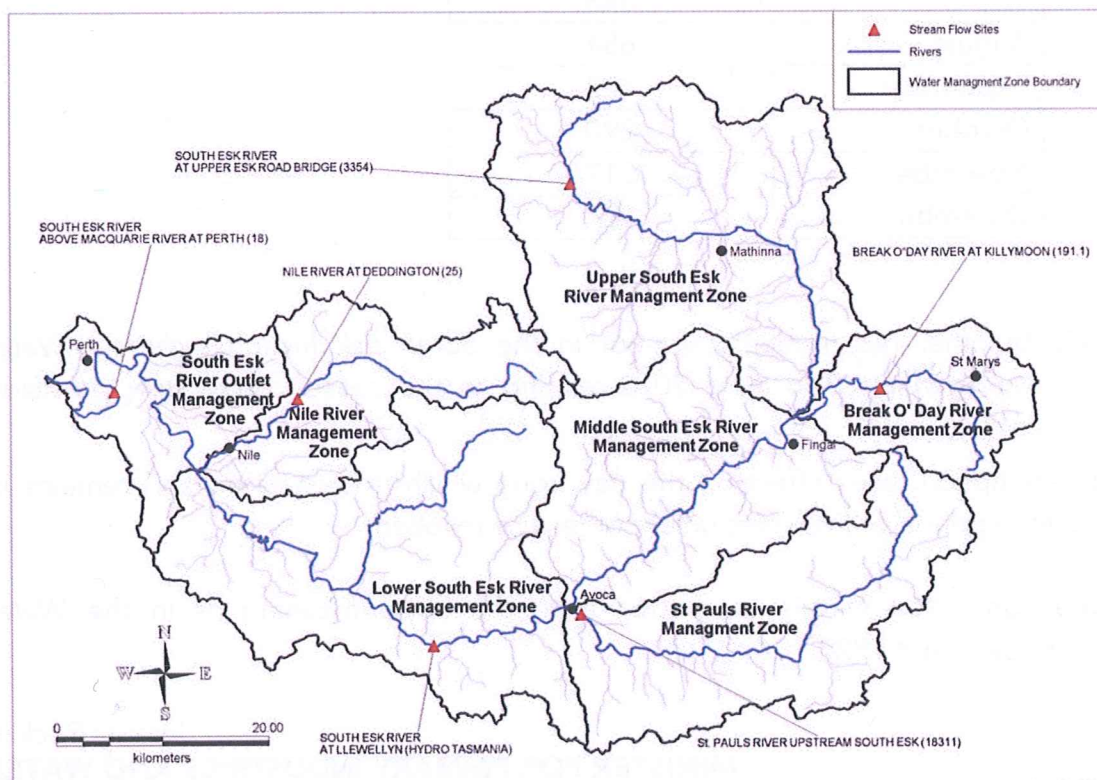


Figure 1. South Esk River Catchment

Persons to whom this exemption applies are subject to the following conditions:

- (1) The taking of water from a watercourse, in the South Esk River and Break O'Day River Management Zones other than for stock and domestic purposes through rights under Part 5 of the Act, and under Surety level 1 allocations will not be permitted when the measured flow drops to the thresholds set out in Table 1.

Table 1. Monthly cease-to-take flow threshold for the South Esk River and Break O'Day River Management Zones in South Esk River catchment (measured at Hydro Tasmania's Llewellyn gauging station).

Month	Cease-to-take flow threshold (ML/day)
January	40
February	40
March	40
April	40
May	165
June	308
July	548
August	654
September	472
October	290
November	217
December	40

- (2) All other requirements set out in the *South Esk River Catchment Water Management Plan June 2013* relating to the cease-to-take flow provision apply.

This exemption takes effect on the day upon which it is gazetted and remains in force for a period of five years unless otherwise revoked.

Expressions used in this exemption have the same meaning as in the *Water Management Act 1999*.

Jeremy Rockliff
MINISTER FOR PRIMARY INDUSTRIES AND WATER

Dated this 12th day of July 2017

Information

The purpose of this Order is to exempt licensees taking water in the South Esk River and Break O'Day River Management Zones in South Esk River catchment Water Management Plan area from the requirements set out in Table 7 of the *South Esk River Catchment Water Management Plan June 2013*. A condition of the exemption is that licensees are subject to an alternative, lower cease-to-take flow threshold as specified in Table 1 of this Order.

The cease-to-take flow thresholds in the *South Esk River Catchment Water Management Plan June 2013* were based on conservative environmental flow assessments. Since the Plan took effect a more detailed review of the winter cease-to-take thresholds for the South Esk River and Break O'Day River Management Zones has been undertaken, indicating that the more water is available during the winter period (May to November inclusive) in these zones. The cease-to-take thresholds for December to April inclusive are the same as those specified in the *South Esk River Catchment Water Management Plan June 2013*. This exemption takes effect on the day upon which it is gazetted and remains in force for a period of five years unless otherwise revoked.

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Public Notice of an Application for the Establishment of an Irrigation District under the Water Management Act 1999

South East Irrigation Water District

Notice is hereby given in accordance with Section 174 of the *Water Management Act 1999* that an application has been received under Section 168 for the establishment of the *South East Irrigation Water District*.

The application relates to the reestablishment of the South East Irrigation Water District which is associated with the existing South East Irrigation Scheme Stage 2 due to the need to make alterations and corrections to the boundary of the district totalling more than 10% of the district area (the existing district area is 4,347 Ha, with the proposed amendments increasing the area by 674 Ha, or 15.5%). These changes will include the incorporation into the district of areas that purchased entitlements when Daisy Banks Dam was constructed in 2000 but were not incorporated at the time. The proposal also includes administrative changes where the district boundary no longer follows cadastral boundaries (parcel boundaries). The established Scheme is currently managed by Tasmanian Irrigation Pty Ltd.

The application has been made by the Tasmanian Irrigation Pty Ltd, a water entity declared by the Minister under section 166(1)(e) of the Act.

The application will be on public display until close of business, 3 August 2017, during normal business hours at the Department's Hobart, Devonport or Launceston or offices:

TASPLAN BUILDING
1 FRANKLIN WHARF, HOBART TAS 7000

"STONEY RISE",
1 to 2 RUNDLE ROAD, STONEY RISE TAS 7310

PROSPECT OFFICES
167 WESTBURY ROAD, PROSPECT TAS 7250

between 9.00am and 5.00pm, or by telephoning Bill Shackcloth on (03) 6165 3001.

Any person who may be affected by the application, may, until close of business on 3 August 2017, make written representations, addressed to the Manager, Water Management and Assessment Branch, Department of Primary Industries Parks, Water and Environment, GPO Box 44, Hobart 7001.

