

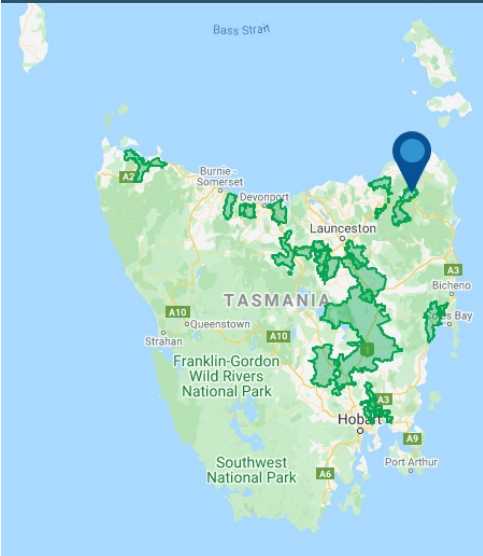
Upper Ringarooma Irrigation Scheme

Tranche One

Nestled in the undulating hills of North-East Tasmania, water from this scheme is also used to supply the domestic needs of local towns

The Upper Ringarooma Irrigation Scheme commenced operations in December 2015 and services the Ringarooma, Legerwood, Branxholm, Alberton, New River, Talawa and Forsyth Hill areas in North East Tasmania. Water is sourced primarily from Dunns Creek and stored in the Dunns Creek Dam. Reliability is underpinned by supplementary pumping from the Ringarooma River during periods of low rainfall.

Water is delivered throughout the district by the river and also via 37.7km of pipeline. Pump stations are incorporated into this scheme at the dam and at Cottons Bridge. Water is also supplied to TasWater from this scheme.

Towns / area serviced Ringarooma, Legerwood, Branxholm, Alberton, New River, Talawa and Forsyth Hill	Principal primary production focus of scheme Dairy, potatoes, vegetables, poppies, wheat and pasture for livestock finishing	Length of irrigation season 150-day summer delivery (depending on rainfall, additional water may be able to be supplied by the scheme outside the irrigation season)	
38 KMs of pipeline	1 Dam	2 Pump Stations	0 Power Stations
	Approval	August 2012	
	Construction started	June 2013	
	Operations commenced	December 2015	
	Capacity	5,700 ML	
	Cost	\$28.0 million	
	Number of irrigators	37	
	Forecast opening	November	
	Forecast closing	March	
Daily flow rate		38 ML / day	
Initial water sales cost		\$1,200 ML	
Percentage of entitlements sold		76%	
ML available to buy		1,345 ML	