

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

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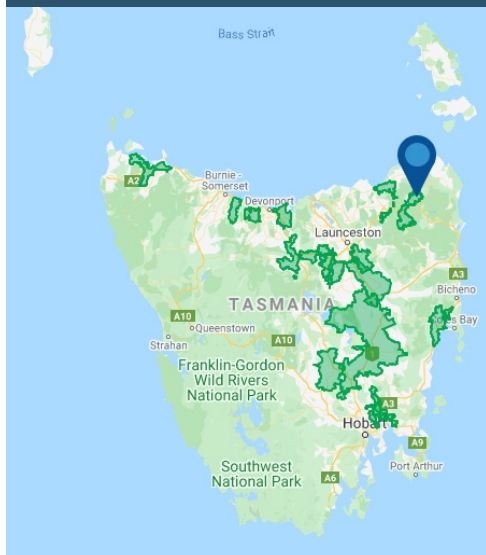
Dam

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Pump Stations

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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

900 ML

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