

Whitemore Irrigation Scheme

Tranche One

Harnessing the water used to create power from the Poatina power station, the Whitemore scheme supplies irrigators and also redirects water to the Liffey River during dry summer periods

The Whitemore Irrigation Scheme commenced operations in November 2012 and services the Whitemore, Oaks, Bracknell, Liffey and Glenore areas in Northern Tasmania. Water is sourced primarily from the tailrace of the Poatina Power Station and transported to the district by the Cressy-Longford Main Channel. Water is pumped from the channel at Stoneycroft to a holding dam on the Liffey River and delivered throughout the district either under pressure by distribution pipelines or by releases into the Liffey River.

The scheme incorporates an extraction pump on the Liffey River that provides an opportunity to reduce operating costs by extracting water from the river during flood take periods.

Towns / area serviced

Whitemore, Oaks, Bracknell, Liffey and Glenore

Principal primary production focus of scheme

Poppies, cereals, pasture seed, potatoes, vegetables 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

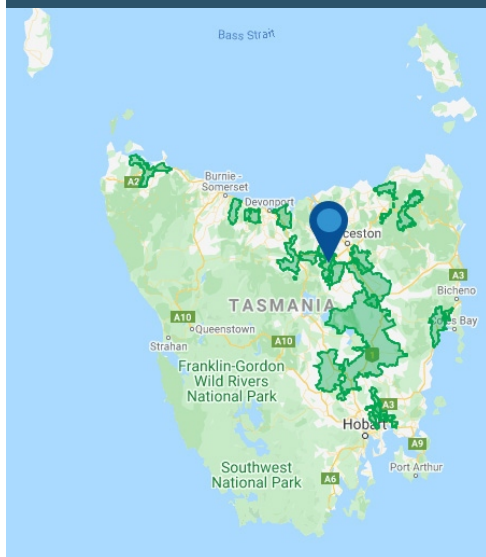
Dam

2

Pump Stations

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Power Stations



Approval

July 2009

Construction started

October 2010

Operations commenced

November 2012

Capacity

5,500 ML

Cost

\$11.3 million

Number of irrigators

49

Forecast opening

November

Forecast closing

March

Daily flow rate

36.67 ML / day

Initial water sales cost

\$1,200 / ML

Percentage of entitlements sold

100%

ML available to buy

0

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