Greater Meander Irrigation Scheme

Inherited

Tasmanian Irrigation is working on an 11,000 megalitre augmentation of the Greater Meander Irrigation Scheme, providing additional water to existing irrigators and also new water to additional areas of this highly-productive region.

Greater Meander Irrigation Scheme Augmentation	
Capacity	11,000 ML
Water Sales Open	13 May 2022
Water Sales Close	2pm 24 June 2022
Forecast construction start	Third quarter 2022
Water entitlement cost	\$1,550 / ML

Since completing the construction of the Meander Dam in November 2007, a further four pipelines have been built to expand the reach of the water available from the dam to deliver irrigation water to the adjoining farming districts of Caveside / Dairy Plains, Rubicon River, Quamby Brook and Hagley.

Water is captured in the Meander Dam during the winter months and delivered over a 150-day period throughout the district during summer by releases into the Meander River and by pipelines originating along the river.

A mini-hydro power station is also incorporated into the scheme.

Towns / area serviced

Carrick, Caveside, Chudleigh, Dairy Plains, Deloraine, Dunorlan, Elizabeth Town, Exton, Hagley, Meander, Montana, Osmaston and Westbury

Principal primary production focus of scheme

Dairy, poppies, cereals, pyrethrum, pasture seeds, potatoes, vegetables, berries, nuts and pasture for livestock finishing



