

NEWSLETTER

Scheme Snapshot



South East Stage Two Irrigation Scheme

Tasmanian Irrigation's Water Delivery Team sincerely thanks all irrigators for their ongoing support and cooperation.

This newsletter provides an update on the Season's progress up until 31 March 2024.

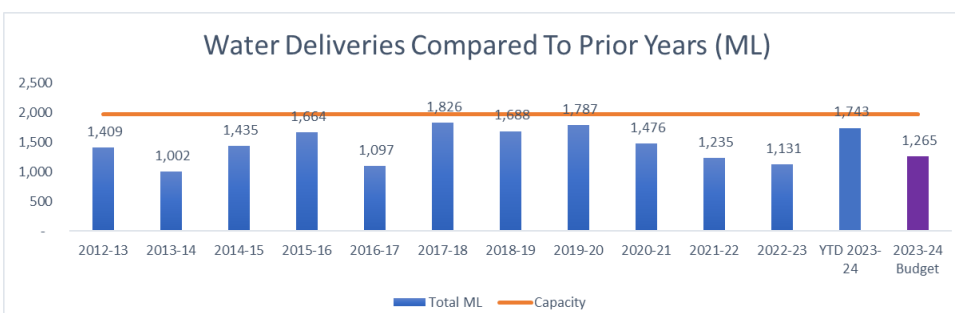
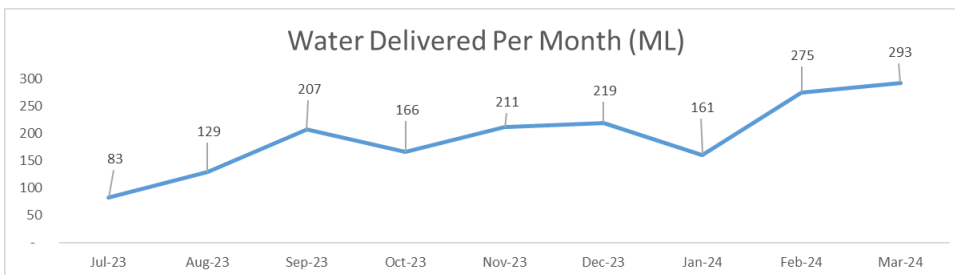
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Water Delivery

The 2023-24 irrigation season opened on 1 August 2023.

100 per cent of the Scheme's water allocation was available and approximately 1,743 megalitres (ML) of water has been delivered financial year to date.

The 1,743 ML delivered represents a 88 per cent utilisation rate of the Scheme's 1,980 ML total capacity to date.



Fast Facts



1,743 ML
WATER DELIVERED



100%
ALLOCATION



11
TRADES



1,980 ML
SCHEME CAPACITY

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Scheme Performance

As we conclude another successful season for South East Stage 2 scheme, we reflect on the key highlights and challenges encountered throughout the past months.

Operating Daisy Bank Dam at a reduced supply level initially raised concerns regarding the level of buffer in the system. Trigger levels on dam volumes were closely monitored, and proactive communication and coordination prevented the need for restrictions.

Investigations into Daisy Bank Dam have revealed some movement in the western dam wall. While this will require remediation over time, thorough assessments uncovered no major faults, and the dam has received approval from Tasmanian Irrigation's Dam Safety Engineer to increase volume to its Full Supply Level of 126 M AHD or 172 ML.

A setback occurred when pump three at the Richmond Pump Station failed, requiring removal and diagnosis by Netco. Unfortunately, this pump is still out of service and will require replacement or significant repair.

This outage did not affect the Scheme due to the interconnect pipeline, which averted the need for water restrictions and ensuring uninterrupted supply to our irrigators.

Trading Summary

Transfer Type	Volume (ML)	Number of Trades
Short term transfer (within season)	51	7
Limited term transfer	17	3
Permanent transfer	30	1

Entitlements

The Scheme is fully sold. Water can only be purchased by trading entitlements.



Asset Renewal Levy (ARL)

The ARL makes provision for major asset repairs and replacements required to ensure the continuing operation of the scheme.

The table below shows the asset renewal works planned for the current financial year. Note, as some works cannot be carried out while the Scheme is in use, not all works may have been completed at time of writing. Any remaining tasks are anticipated to be carried out prior to the next season.

Facility Name	ARL Task
Richmond Pump Station	Motor and pump overhaul
Daisy Banks Dam	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Access road upgrades• Complete Geotech Investigations on west embankment
Scheme Wide	3G obsolescence communications upgrades

Repairs and Maintenance

The table below shows the general repairs and maintenance that has been planned for the current financial year. Again, not all works may have been completed at time of writing, as some works cannot be carried out

Maintenance Task
Electrical switchboard periodic maintenance inspections
Weed and vegetation management
Outlet repairs
Motor & pump lubrication
Pipeline valve repairs & leak detection
Electrical repairs following periodic inspections



Have your Say - Seeking Your Participation

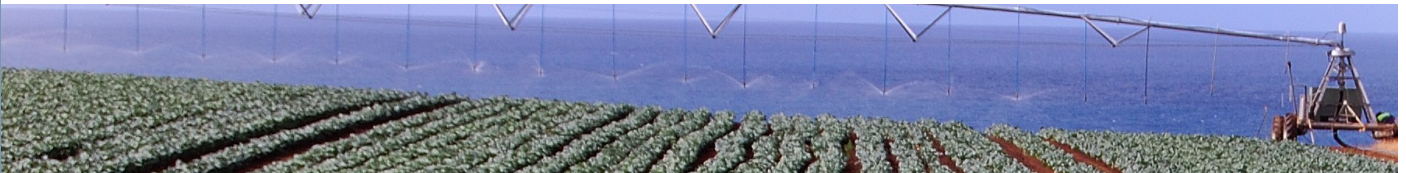
Tasmanian Irrigation is seeking feedback from our customers to better understand your views on our performance, our communication to you, and the issues that matter most to you in your business.

We have engaged independent research firm EMRS to undertake this research on our behalf. What you tell us will help Tasmanian Irrigation improve the way we manage schemes and the way we communicate to you, and help us better understand your needs. It's a chance for you to provide open and honest feedback about what we can do better, and tell us where we are doing well.

We'd like to thank everyone who has supported this work by agreeing to take part in a short phone survey during May. When the research is complete, we will share high-level results with you, giving you an insight into the collective feedback received from customers across our schemes. We expect to receive the research report in August.

All information gathered will be treated in the strictest confidence. No names or personal details are released or stored, and no individuals will be identifiable in the research report provided to us by EMRS.

If you have any questions about the survey, please do not hesitate to contact EMRS' Project Manager, Paul Jamrozik, at pjamrozik@emrs.com.au.



Community management of publicly-owned irrigation schemes

Tasmanian Irrigation would like to thank all irrigators and stakeholders who've attended information and consultation sessions during May regarding community management of irrigation schemes.

In December 2023, the Tasmanian State Parliament passed the *Water Miscellaneous Amendments (Delegation and Industrial Water Supply) ACT 2023* (WMA Act) into law. The WMA Act amends existing legislation relevant to Tasmanian Irrigation, to enable the Government's policy to facilitate community management of publicly owned irrigation schemes, where feasible and appropriate.

In practical terms, the change means that Tasmanian Irrigation can delegate some of our powers and functions to eligible community bodies, with regard to the operation and management of our irrigation schemes. However Tasmanian Irrigation remains the asset owner and the Responsible Water Entity, and not all powers and functions are able to be delegated.

We have drafted documents and processes that would enable irrigator groups to apply for delegation of powers and functions, and which align with the requirements of the WMA Act. During May we've been seeking feedback on the documents and the proposed application process, as part of a two-stage consultation process.

Feedback for the first stage of the consultation process **closes on 21 June**.

Full detail, including draft documents for comment, is available on our website: [Community management of publicly owned irrigation "Community management of schemes" - Tasmanian Irrigation](#)

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