

MEDIA RELEASE



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WATER STORAGES DRAWING DOWN

Rainfall recorded at South Gippsland Waters storages last week was – Lance Creek 0.0mm, Ruby Creek 1.5mm, Coalition Creek 0.4mm, Deep Creek 0.0mm, Little Bass 0.0mm and Battery Creek 1.5mm.

Steve Evans, Managing Director of South Gippsland Water, said today, “We are starting to see the affects of summer draw down at our storages, however, levels are satisfactory for this time of the year.

Flows in the Tarra River, which supplies Yarram, Devon North, Alberton and Port Albert, have substantially deteriorated over recent days, requiring supplementation with bore water. The Corporation will continue to closely monitor flows in the Tarra. Customers at Yarram, Devon North, Alberton and Port Albert are urged to be mindful of their water use.”

South Gippsland Water will still continue to closely monitor all systems as the season progresses.

Reservoir	Major towns supplied	Capacity level %	Comments
Lance Creek	Wonthaggi, Inverloch and Cape Paterson	85	Permanent Water Saving Measures
Ruby Creek	Leongatha & surrounds	73	Permanent Water Saving Measures
Coalition Creek	Korumburra and surrounds	74	Permanent Water Saving Measures
Foster Dam – Deep Creek	Foster area	100	Permanent Water Saving Measures
Little Bass	Poowong, Nyora & Loch	73	Permanent Water Saving Measures
Battery Creek	Fish Creek	86	Permanent Water Saving Measures

River Systems	Major Town Supplied	Current Status
Tarwin	Meenyan, Dumbalk	Permanent Water Saving Measures
Agnes	Welshpool, Pt Welshpool, Toora, Pt Franklin	Permanent Water Saving Measures
Tarra	Yarram, Alberton, Port Albert	Permanent Water Saving Measures