

Monday 25 January 2016

Small amount of rain in all catchments – but little run-off

Rainfall recorded at South Gippsland Water's storages from the 15th of January 2016 to the 22nd of January 2016 was Lance Creek 9mm, Ruby Creek 6.8mm, Coalition Creek 9.6mm, Deep Creek 9mm, Little Bass 6.2mm and Battery Creek 9.5mm.

Stage 1 Restrictions are in place on the Coalition Creek and Battery Creek Systems which provide water to Korumburra and Fish Creek respectively.

Philippe du Plessis, Managing Director, South Gippsland Water said, "storages are being closely monitored and, even with last week's milder weather conditions and a small amount of rain across the region, water levels continue to drop."

To save water around the home, many simple day-to-day measures can be put in place, including:

- Use a half flush when flushing the toilet
- Fix any leaking or dripping taps
- Ensure hoses are fitted with a trigger nozzle and free of leaks
- Only run washing machine and dish washers when there is a full load to be washed
- Limit shower time to four minutes
- Plant water wise garden plants and using mulch to hold moisture in garden beds
- Install a pool cover
- Install a water saving shower head, customers can have one delivered for FREE, simply register with South Gippsland Water Customer Service on 1300 851 636.

"Customers are encouraged to use household water wisely and make sure Permanent Water Saving Rules and, in the case of Korumburra and Fish Creek, Stage One Restrictions are adhered to."

Information regarding Permanent Water Saving Rules and Stage 1 "ALERT" Water Restrictions can be found at www.sgwater.com.au or contact South Gippsland Water with questions or concerns regarding smarter water usage.

Reservoir	Major towns supplied	Capacity level %	Comments
Lance Creek	Wonthaggi, Inverloch and Cape Paterson	73	Permanent Water Saving Measures
Ruby Creek	Leongatha & surrounds	61	Permanent Water Saving Measures
Coalition Creek	Korumburra and surrounds	62	Stage 1 Restrictions
Foster Dam – Deep Creek	Foster area	88	Permanent Water Saving Measures
Little Bass	Poowong, Nyora & Loch	64	Permanent Water Saving Measures
Battery Creek	Fish Creek	62	Stage 1 Restrictions

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