

Warm Weather, Low Storages, More Water Restrictions

Rainfall was recorded at South Gippsland Water's storages from **16th April to 22th April 2016**. Lance Creek 9mm, Ruby Creek 9mm, Coalition Creek 8mm, Deep Creek 6mm, Little Bass 7mm and Battery Creek 8mm.

Philippe du Plessis, Managing Director, South Gippsland Water said, "Given the current warm weather and low levels of rainfall forecast for the region over the coming weeks, water levels in a number of our supply systems will fall to levels that will trigger further restrictions."

"By early May, it's likely that the Ruby Creek Water Supply System (Leongatha) will be placed on Stage 1 water restrictions and the Little Bass Water Supply System (Poowong, Loch and Nyora) will be escalated to Stage 3 water restrictions."

The Corporation continues to monitor all storages closely and, as storage levels continue to drop, urges all customers to continue to use household water wisely.

Information regarding Permanent Water Saving Rules (which apply across the region) and Stage 2 "SAVE" Water Restrictions (Fish Creek, Korumburra, Poowong, Loch and Nyora) can be found at www.sgwater.com.au or contact South Gippsland Water on 1300 851 636 with questions or concerns regarding smarter water usage.

| Reservoir | Major towns supplied | Capacity level % | Comments |
|-------------------------|--|------------------|--|
| Lance Creek | Wonthaggi, Inverloch and Cape Paterson | 62 | Permanent Water Saving Measures |
| Ruby Creek | Leongatha & surrounds | 40 | Permanent Water Saving Measures |
| Coalition Creek | Korumburra and surrounds | 49 | Stage 2 Restrictions (from 24/03/16) |
| Foster Dam – Deep Creek | Foster area | 59 | Permanent Water Saving Measures |
| Little Bass | Poowong, Nyora & Loch | 31 | Stage 2 Restrictions (from 24/03/16) |
| Battery Creek | Fish Creek | 44 | Stage 2 Restrictions (from 03/03/16) |

| River Systems | Major Town Supplied | Current Status |
|---------------|---|---------------------------------|
| Tarwin | Meeniyan, 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 |