MEDIA RELEASE

South Gippsland Water

Tuesday, June 10, 2014

Catchments Start To Run

Rainfall recorded at South Gippsland Water's storages from the 31st May to 6th June 2014 was 24mm at Lance Creek, 19mm at Ruby Creek, 19mm at Coalition Creek, 16mm at Deep Creek, 19mm at Little Bass and 13mm at Battery Creek.

Philippe du Plessis, Managing Director South Gippsland Water said today, "Recent rain across all catchments has led to storages starting to replenish for the first time this year. The systems of most concern, Coalition and Little Bass have had storage level increases of 13ML and 9ML respectively.

Both these water supply systems remain at Stage 1 restriction levels. However, activating Stage 1 restrictions would have little to no impact on water demand, as they relate mostly to outdoor watering activities".

All customers are reminded that Permanent Water Saving Rules are in force for all water supply systems.

The Permanent Water Saving Rules include;

- All hand held garden hoses to be leak free and fitted with trigger nozzles.
- Only clean paved areas with water if it is required and there is a health or safety hazard, or if staining has occurred and then only once a year.
- Fountains and water features can be used only if they recirculate water.
- Water gardens and lawns with sprinkler systems between 6pm and 10am (during the cool). Hand held hoses and buckets can used at any time.

Reservoir	Major towns supplied	Capacity level %	Comments
Lance Creek	Wonthaggi, Inverloch and Cape Paterson	71	Permanent Water Saving Measures
Ruby Creek	Leongatha & surrounds	59	Permanent Water Saving Measures
Coalition Creek	Korumburra and surrounds	61	Permanent Water Saving Measures
Foster Dam – Deep Creek	Foster area	76	Permanent Water Saving Measures
Little Bass	Poowong, Nyora & Loch	45	Permanent Water Saving Measures
Battery Creek	Fish Creek	84	Permanent Water Saving Measures

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