Media Release

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Storage and Rainfall Update

Rainfall was recorded at South Gippsland Water's storages from **7**th **April – 14**th **April 2017**. Lance Creek 9mm, Ruby Creek 22mm, Coalition Creek 26mm, Deep Creek 18mm, Little Bass 19mm and Battery Creek 29mm.

Philippe du Plessis, Managing Director of South Gippsland Water said, "Continued forecasts for mild weather conditions over the coming week have lead us to remind customers to conserve water where possible. Korumburra remains on Stage 1 Water Restrictions. Customers of Korumburra need to ensure they are following the watering on alternate days rules, where customers of even numbered houses can water on even dates and customers of odd numbered houses can water on odd numbered dates. Everyone can water on the 31st of the month."

A guick snapshot of Stage 1 "Alert" Water Restrictions;

Gardens & Lawns	 Watering systems can only be used to water gardens and lawns between 6am–10am and 6pm–10pm on alternate days*. Hand-held hoses with a trigger nozzle, a bucket or watering can may be used at any time.
Paving, Concrete & Other Hard Surfaces	Hosing banned except for construction purposes or in emergency; or for health or safety hazard.
Vehicles	A bucket, high pressure cleaning device or commercial car wash can be used at any time for vehicle washing. A hand-held hose fitted with a trigger nozzle can only be used for rinsing and re-rinsing.
Pools & Spa	 To fill or top up a new or existing pool or spa with a capacity 2,000 litres or less, a handheld hose fitted with a trigger nozzle, a watering can or a bucket, or an Automatic Water Top Up Device must be used. Pools and spa's of greater than 2,000 litres capacity must not be filled unless a Water
* Alternate Days	Conservation Plan has been submitted to South Gippsland Water and approved. Alternate day's means odd numbered houses can water on odd dates of the month and
Í	even numbered houses can water on even numbered dates. Both odd and even numbered houses can water on the 31st of the month. Where there is no house number the property is considered an even numbered house.

Additional water restriction areas include: Public Gardens and Lawns, Ponds, Lakes, Fountains, Water Features, Pools, Spas, Tanks, Water Tankers, Commercial Car Washes, Food Transport Vehicles, Commercial production of Plants and/or Animals. Exemptions may be applied for the watering of public sporting grounds.

Any customers who have questions or concerns regarding their water supply can contact South Gippsland Water's friendly Customer Service Team on **1300 851 636**.

Reservoir	Major towns supplied	Capacity level %	Current Status
Lance Creek	Wonthaggi, Inverloch and Cape Paterson	72	Permanent Water Saving Measures
Ruby Creek	Leongatha and surrounds	56	Permanent Water Saving Measures
Coalition Creek	Korumburra and surrounds	53	Stage 1 Water Restrictions
Foster Dam – Deep Creek	Foster area	78	Permanent Water Saving Measures
Little Bass	Poowong, Nyora and Loch	53	Permanent Water Saving Measures
Battery Creek	Fish Creek	68	Permanent Water Saving Measures

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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