

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> March 2018

## Stage 2 Water Restrictions Activated For Korumburra

**From midnight on Thursday 15 March 2018, Stage 2 “SAVE” Water Restrictions will apply to South Gippsland Water’s customers of Coalition Creek Water Supply System (Korumburra) under uniform State Model Water Restriction By-laws.**

Reservoir levels for the Coalition Creek Water Supply System as at Monday 5<sup>th</sup> March were 56% capacity.

These low storage levels and a warm, dry weather pattern has led to Stage 2 “SAVE” Water Restrictions being activated for Korumburra.

South Gippsland Water’s Managing Director, Philippe du Plessis said, “It is anticipated that this summer will be the last full summer season before new water supplies are available from the Lance Creek Water Connection which is currently under construction. Because of this, South Gippsland Water has delayed the activation of water restrictions as long as possible but is now moving directly into Stage 2 ‘SAVE’ restrictions”.

Mr du Plessis urged customers to “Elevate water conservation practices for households, businesses, community and recreational facilities”. And said that, “The Corporation will closely monitor storage levels and will activate higher level restrictions as required.”

A key requirement of Stage 2 Water Restrictions is that commercial and household lawns can no longer be watered.

Watering systems can only be used to water gardens between 6am–8am and 6pm–8pm on alternate days\*, however, a bucket, watering can or a hand held hose fitted with a trigger nozzle can be used at any time.

\*Alternate days means odd numbered houses can water on odd dates of the month and even numbered houses can water on even dates. Both odd and even numbered addresses can water on the 31<sup>st</sup> of the month. Where there is an address without a number, the property is considered an even number.

Specific requirements apply to sporting grounds, and local community groups should contact South Gippsland Water for further information.

Customers are encouraged to visit the South Gippsland Water website [www.sgwater.com.au](http://www.sgwater.com.au) or contact South Gippsland Water’s Customer Service Team on 1300 851 636 for further information regarding Stage 2 Water Restrictions.

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### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

A quick snapshot of Stage 2 “SAVE’ Water Restrictions.

<b>Gardens and Lawns</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Watering of lawns is BANNED</li><li>• Watering systems can only be used to water <u>gardens</u> between 6am–8am and 6pm–8pm on alternate days*.</li><li>• A bucket, watering can or a hand held hose fitted with a trigger nozzle can be used at any time.</li></ul>
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<b>Sporting Grounds</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Some sporting grounds can be watered at any time using a bucket, watering can or a hand held hose fitted with a trigger, including cricket wicket, running track, tennis court, lawn bowls and croquet green, and golf green and tea (but not fairways or approaches).</li> <li>Watering systems can only be used on <u>alternate days</u>* between 6am-8am and 6pm-8pm. Particular sporting grounds can be watered as required, but only in accordance with an approved Water Use Plan. Contact South Gippsland Water for more information.</li> </ul>
<b>Paving, Concrete and Other Hard Surfaces</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hosing is BANNED except for construction purposes, in an emergency, or to address a health or safety hazard.</li> </ul>
<b>Vehicles</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Vehicles can be washed using a high pressure cleaning device, or if not available a bucket, watering can or a hand held hose fitted with a trigger nozzle can be used at any time.</li> <li>A water efficient commercial car wash can be used to wash vehicles.</li> </ul>
<b>Pools and Spas</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To fill or top up a new or existing pool or spa with a capacity 2,000 litres or less, a bucket, watering can or a hand held hose fitted with a trigger nozzle can be used between 6am-8am and 6pm-8pm. An automatic water top-up device can be used at any time.</li> <li>Pools and spas of greater than 2,000 litres capacity must not be filled unless a Water Conservation Plan has been submitted to South Gippsland Water and approved.</li> </ul>
<b>* Alternate Days</b>	Alternate days means odd numbered houses can water on odd dates of the month and 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.**

Interested customers can download full details for the staged restrictions and definitions from the South Gippsland Water website [www.sgwater.com.au](http://www.sgwater.com.au) or contact South Gippsland Water's Customer Service Team on 1300 851 636.