## Media Release

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## Rainfall Starts To Make Its Way Into Water Storages

Rainfall was recorded at South Gippsland Water's storages from 6<sup>th</sup> May – 13<sup>th</sup> May 2016. Lance Creek 58mm, Ruby Creek 58mm, Coalition Creek 75mm, Deep Creek 57mm, Little Bass 37mm and Battery Creek 41mm.

With rain from previous weeks soaking into parched catchments, last week's rainfall started to make its way into the region's water storages.

While Lance Creek and Ruby Creek storages maintained levels of 60% and 37% respectively, the region's four other systems recorded storage level increases of between 1-3%.

The Corporation continues to monitor all water storages closely, particularly the Ruby Creek Water Supply System and the currently restricted Battery Creek, Coalition Creek and Little Bass water supply systems.

Planned increases to water restrictions for Korumburra, Poowong, Loch and Nyora will be assessed on an ongoing basis, enabling the Corporation to respond to changes in weather conditions and customer demand for water. Customers are encouraged to continue to use 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 <a href="https://www.sgwater.com.au">www.sgwater.com.au</a> 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	60	Permanent Water Saving Measures
Ruby Creek	Leongatha & surrounds	37	Permanent Water Saving Measures
Coalition Creek	Korumburra and surrounds	50	Stage 2 Restrictions (from 24/03/16)
Foster Dam – Deep Creek	Foster area	62	Permanent Water Saving Measures
Little Bass	Poowong, Nyora & Loch	30	Stage 2 Restrictions (from 24/03/16)
Battery Creek	Fish Creek	43	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