

Monday 27th February 2017

Storage and Rainfall Update

Rainfall was recorded at South Gippsland Water's storages from **18th – 24th February 2017**. Lance Creek 22mm, Ruby Creek 20mm, Coalition Creek 25mm, Deep Creek 40mm, Little Bass 36mm and Battery Creek 40mm.

Philippe du Plessis, Managing Director, South Gippsland Water said, "The region has received welcome rain over the past fortnight which has slowed the drop in storage levels, however, the warm weather conditions predicted for the coming week may increase demand for water across communities, particularly coastal townships."

Water storage levels are currently: Lance Creek 79%, Ruby Creek 68%, Coalition Creek 71%, Deep Creek 97%, Little Bass 76% and Battery Creek 79%.

"As we move into autumn, and there is potential for warm weather to influence the amount of inflow from catchments, there are simple things householders can permanently put in place to be efficient with water."

Permanent Water Saving Rules are in place across the state to help all Victorians maintain a common-sense approach to water use. The rules are in force permanently and are separate from any other water restrictions South Gippsland Water may need to impose from time to time.

Simple water saving practices customers can activate at home include:

- Using a half flush when flushing the toilet
- Fixing any leaking or dripping taps
- Ensuring hoses are fitted with a trigger nozzle and free of leaks
- Installing a water saving shower head
- Only running washing machine and dish washers when there is a full load to be washed
- Limiting shower time to four minutes
- Installing a pool cover
- Planting water wise garden plants and using mulch to hold moisture in garden beds.

Information about Permanent Water Saving Rules can be found in the Services section of South Gippsland Water's website www.sgwater.com.au. For smart water advice and handy hint to help you save water visit www.smartwatermark.org/Victoria/

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	79	Permanent Water Saving Measures
Ruby Creek	Leongatha and surrounds	68	Permanent Water Saving Measures
Coalition Creek	Korumburra and surrounds	71	Permanent Water Saving Measures
Foster Dam – Deep Creek	Foster area	97	Permanent Water Saving Measures

Little Bass	Poowong, Nyora and Loch	76	Permanent Water Saving Measures
Battery Creek	Fish Creek	79	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