



24 November 2017

## NSW Border Rivers Water allocation update

### Allocations

NSW Border Rivers regulated river water source general security (B class) access licences have received an **increase in allocation of 3.6 per cent, bringing their total for the 2017-18 water year to 14.7 per cent of entitlement.**

The increase comes as a result of rainfall, reduced losses and an increase to stored water in Pindari Dam.

NSW Border Rivers regulated river water source general security (A class) access licences, together with all other high priority licences, received their maximum allocation for the 2017/18 water year on 1 July 2017.

	High Security	General Security A Class	General Security B Class
NSW Border Rivers	100%	100%	14.7%

### Dam levels (24 November 2017)

- Pindari Dam is currently 100 per cent full – steady – holding 312 gigalitres (GL). This compares with 99 per cent at this time last year.
- Glenlyon Dam is currently 73 per cent full – steady – holding 184 GL. This compares with 70 per cent at this time last year.

### Seasonal rainfall outlook

The rainfall outlook for summer (December to February), issued by the Bureau of Meteorology on 16 November 2017, indicates that northeast NSW is likely to experience drier than average conditions in the coming months. Summer daytime temperatures are likely to be warmer than average over NSW.

Australia's major climate drivers are presently neutral, but a La Niña WATCH remains in place due to recent cooling in the eastern tropical Pacific.

### Further information

Conditions are being constantly monitored and any significant changes in water availability or outlook will be announced accordingly.

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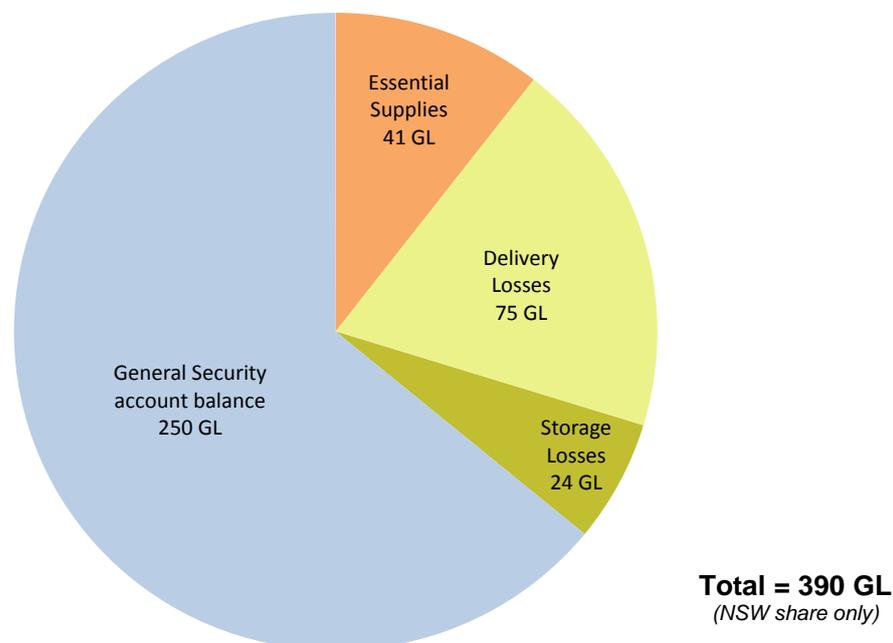
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## NSW Border Rivers Resource Assessment

Distribution of NSW Resources (as at 1 November)	
	Volume (GL)
Total available resource (NSW) <sup>(1)</sup>	389.87
<b>Less</b>	
Storage losses <sup>(2)</sup>	24.14
Essential supplies <sup>(3)</sup>	41.10
General security account balance (including new allocation) <sup>(4),(6)</sup>	249.70
General security delivery losses <sup>(5)</sup>	74.93

\*See notes below

### Distribution of NSW Resources as at 1 November 2017 NSW Border Rivers



#### Notes:

- (1) Total available resource – NSW's share of the water resources (Pindari Dam and Glenlyon Dam) at the time of the assessment.
- (2) Storage loss – evaporation losses.
- (3) Essential supplies – water required to be set aside under water sharing plans to provide for Towns, Stock, Domestic, High Security and Environmental Water provisions.
- (4) General security account balance – Includes the new allocation.
- (5) General security delivery losses – budgeted at 30 per cent of the volume of water allocated to general security licences.
- (6) Held environmental water (HEW) – as a trial, general security account water administered by environmental water holders has been identified as a component of General Security licences. In this case, of the 250 GL of General Security account balance, 1 GL is held by environmental water holder/s and the remaining 249 GL by irrigators. This reporting of held environmental water is indicative only and prior to reconciliation of usage and net trade. These entitlements are held and/or managed either singly or jointly by various environmental holder groups, including the NSW Office of Environment and Heritage (OEH) and the Commonwealth Environmental Water Holder (CEWH). Interested parties should refer to individual Agency websites for more detailed information on held environmental holdings.