# Tantawanglo-Kiah water supply system Drought Management Action Plan 2019-20

Water supply zone: Yellow Pinch Dam - Merimbula, Tura Beach, Pambula Beach, Pambula and rural properties with a water connection between YPD and Pambula

Monitoring location	Drought Management Stage	Water Availability Stage	Individual Daily Extraction Limit (IDEL) (ML/d)	Trigger Level for Actions	Supply-Side Actions	Demand-Side Actions (e.g. water restrictions)	Demand Reduction Target (%)	
a. Tantawanglo Creek @ Tantawanglo Mountain gauging station (219006) b. Tantawanglo Creek Weir c. Yellow Pinch Dam d. Bega River @	Drought Preparation	-	High level n/a	n/a	c. >95%	<ol> <li>Extract water from YPD to meet demand.</li> <li>Turn Wolumla booster pump station off.</li> <li>Cease pumping available water from Bega borefield to YPD.</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Permanent Water Wise Measures.</li> <li>Ensure reservoir flowmeters are reading accurately to enable demand reduction target analysis.</li> </ol>	0
				c. ≤95%	<ol> <li>Use Wolumla booster pump station if flow in Tantawanglo Creek &gt; 10ML/d.</li> <li>Pump available water from Bega borefield to YPD in accordance with supply-side actions for Bega-Tathra water supply system.</li> </ol>	3) As per 1) and 2).	0	
Kanoona gauging station (219032) e. Bega River and				c. ≤85%		<ul><li>4) As per 1) and 2).</li><li>5) Review mains flushing program and suspend as appropriate.</li></ul>	1	
Bega borefield f. Towamba River @ Towamba River gauging station		High-mid level	n/a	c. ≤75%	6. As per 1, 4 and 5.	<ul> <li>6) As per 1), 2) and 5).</li> <li>7) Provide appropriate media/community news about water supply situation, water wise measures and website information.</li> </ul>	3	
(220004) g. Towamba River @ Kiah borefield h. Ben Boyd Dam i. Reservoir inflow/outflow	Drought Response	Mid-level	n/a	c. ≤60%	7. As per 1, 4 and 5.	<ol> <li>Introduce Level 1 water restrictions.</li> <li>Provide appropriate media/community news about water supply situation, water restrictions and website information.</li> <li>Implement process to manage applications for variations.</li> <li>Investigate water pressure management options.</li> </ol>	10	
		Low level	n/a	c. ≤50%	<ol> <li>As per 1, 4 and 5.</li> <li>Pump water from Kiah borefield/BBD water, if available, to supply Pambula Beach and Merimbula Tank 2, considerate of South System water security.</li> <li>If the IDEL calculations for the Bega Borefield and Bega-Tathra water supply system demand allow for no water transfer to YPD, seek DPIE-Water approval to pump a volume of water from South Bega to YPD considered sustainable without impacting on Bega-Tathra water supply security.</li> </ol>	<ul> <li>12) Introduce Level 2 water restrictions.</li> <li>13) As per 9) and 10).</li> <li>14) As per 11) and implement if appropriate.</li> </ul>	15	
		Emergency level 1	n/a	c. ≤40%	<ol> <li>As per 1, 4, 5, 9 and 10.</li> <li>Determine infrastructure requirements for alternative emergency water sources, such as new bores at Bega and/or Kiah, desalination and recycled water.</li> <li>Determine infrastructure requirements for a potential drought pump at old Wolumla Reservoir for supplying Tantawanglo (upstream YPD) water supply zone with water from Bega borefield.</li> </ol>	<ul> <li>15) Introduce Level 3 water restrictions.</li> <li>16) As per 9).</li> <li>17) Suspend applications for variations process and cancel all prior approvals.</li> <li>18) No public watering of public parks, gardens and playing fields</li> </ul>	20	

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		Emergency level 2	n/a	c. ≤30%	<ul> <li>14. As per 1 and/or pump water directly from Bega borefield to meet demand.</li> <li>15. As per 4, 5, 9 and 10.</li> <li>16. Build emergency water source infrastructure.</li> <li>17. Commission a drought pump at old Wolumla Reservoir, if required.</li> </ul>	19) Introduce <u>Level 4 water restrictions.</u> 20) As per 9), 17) and 18).	30
		Emergency level 3	n/a	c. limited water available	<ol> <li>Connect and commission emergency water source infrastructure.</li> <li>Provide intermittent reticulation supply from available water sources.</li> <li>Cart water to designated areas.</li> </ol>	<ul><li>21) Water is for minimum health and sanitation requirements only.</li><li>22) As per 9), 17), 18) and 21).</li></ul>	50

## Water supply zone: Kiah borefield and Ben Boyd Dam - Boydtown, Eden, South Pambula and rural connected properties between Kiah borefield and South Pambula

Monitoring location	Drought Management Stage	Water Availability Stage	Individual Daily Extraction Limit (IDEL) (ML/d)	Trigger Level for Actions	Supply-Side Actions	Demand-Side Actions (e.g. water restrictions)	Demand Reduction Target (%)
a. Tantawanglo Creek @ Tantawanglo Mountain gauging	Drought Preparation	Very High Flow	g. 12	f. >34 ML/d f. ≤34 ML/d	<ol> <li>Pump water from Kiah borefield and BDD to meet demand.</li> <li>Pump water from Kiah borefield to BBD if BBD &lt; 100%.</li> </ol>	As per <b>YPD water supply zone</b> .	As per YPD water supply zone.
station (219006) b. Tantawanglo Creek Weir		High Flow g. 6 f. $\leq$ 34 ML/d Moderate g. 3 f. $\leq$ 15 ML/d g. visible surface flow	<ol> <li>Limit Kiah high lift pumps to the IDEL.</li> <li>As per 1 and 2.</li> <li>Consider cleaning and purging all bores.</li> </ol>	-	20116.		
c. Yellow Pinch Dam d. Bega River @ Kanoona gauging station (219032) e. Bega River and Bega borefield f. Towamba River @ Towamba River gauging station (220004) g. Towamba River @ Kiah borefield h. Ben Boyd Dam i. Reservoir inflow/outflow	Drought Response	No flow	g. 1	f. ≤ 5 ML/d g. no visible surface flow h. >75%	<ol> <li>6. Limit Kiah high lift pumps to the IDEL.</li> <li>7. As per 1 and if water available, 2.</li> <li>8. Monitor groundwater levels at Kiah borefield</li> <li>9. Clean and purge all bores.</li> </ol>		
		No flow g. 1 h. ≤75% 1  No flow and low storage level g. 2.5 f. ≤ 5 ML/d g. no visible surface flow h. ≤50% 1	h. ≤75%	<ol> <li>Investigate BBD offtake and artificial destratification system for the dam.</li> <li>Determine most appropriate water supply sources for this zone, considering water availability from Kiah bores and BBD and North System Water Availability Stage.</li> </ol>			
			<ol> <li>Increase Kiah high lift pumping to the IDEL, dependent on groundwater availability.</li> <li>As per 1 and if water available, 2.</li> <li>As per 8.</li> <li>Transfer water from North System to South System if determined as more sustainable.</li> <li>Build infrastructure for BBD offtake and artificial destratification system.</li> <li>Determine infrastructure requirements for alternative emergency water sources, such as deep bores at Kiah, desalination and recycled water.</li> </ol>				
		Emergency level 1	g. 2.5	f. ≤ 5 ML/d g. no visible surface flow h. ≤30%	<ul><li>18. As per 1 and if water available, 2 and 12.</li><li>19. As per 8, 11 and 15.</li><li>20. Build emergency water source infrastructure.</li></ul>		

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		Emergency level 2	g. 2.5	f. ≤ 5 ML/d g. no visible surface flow h. ≤20%	21. Connect and commission emergency water source infrastructure.		
		Emergency level 3	g. 2.5	g. limited water available h. limited water available	<ul><li>22. Provide intermittent reticulation supply from available water sources.</li><li>23. Cart water to designated areas.</li></ul>		

#### Water supply zone: Tantawanglo Creek (upstream Yellow Pinch Dam) - Candelo, Wolumla and rural properties with a water connection between Tantawanglo Ck. Weir and YPD

Monitoring location	Drought Management Stage	Water Availability Stage	Individual Daily Extraction Limit (IDEL) (ML/d)	Trigger Level for Actions	Supply-Side Actions	Demand-Side Actions (e.g. water restrictions)	Demand Reduction Target (%)
a. Tantawanglo Creek @ Tantawanglo Mountain gauging	Preparation	High flow	b. 5.0	a. >10.0 ML/d	<ol> <li>Extract water from Tantawanglo Creek to meet demand and supply YPD.</li> <li>Use Wolumla booster pump station if YPD storage level &lt; 95%.</li> </ol>		As per YPD water supply zone
station (219006) b. Tantawanglo Creek		Moderate flow	b. 50% of flow	a. ≤10.0 ML/d	<ul><li>3. As per 1.</li><li>4. Turn Wolumla booster pump station off.</li></ul>		
Weir c. Yellow Pinch Dam d. Bega River @ Kanoona gauging station (219032)		Low flow	b. 50% of flow	a. ≤6.0 ML/d	<ul> <li>5. As per 1.</li> <li>6. Follow procedure to limit water extraction to the IDEL using blue gate bypass and PSV as per SOP Operation of the Tantawanglo Trunk main Rev. 4 Oct 2012 Process 4 Assumption 2.</li> </ul>		
e. Bega River and Bega borefield f. Towamba River @ Towamba River gauging station (220004) g. Towamba River @ Kiah borefield h. Ben Boyd Dam i. Reservoir inflow/outflow		Very low flow	b. 50% of flow b. 0.2	a. ≤4.0 ML/d a. ≤2.2 ML/d	7. Cease water extraction from Tantawanglo Ck. weir and pump water from YPD using YPD drought pump and Candelo drought pump as per SOP (to be developed).		
		Emergency level 3	n/a	c. limited water available	<ul><li>8. Provide intermittent reticulation supply from available water sources.</li><li>9. Cart water to designated areas.</li></ul>		

#### **Water Restrictions Levels**

Level	Garden watering	Fixed sprinklers and unattended hoses	Watering of paved areas	Drip irrigation systems and micro-sprays	Watering of lawns	Washing of vehicles/boats & topping up of swimming pools
ONE	One hand-held hose per property may be used 6-8 am AND 6-8 pm <sup>1</sup>	Not permitted	Not permitted	May only be used if fixed to a single tap per property and only in lieu of a hand- held hose	As per garden watering	As per garden watering <sup>3</sup>
TWO	One hand-held hose per property may be used for a maximum of 60 MINUTES PER DAY under an Odds and Evens <sup>2</sup> system between: 6-8 am OR 6-8 pm <sup>1</sup>	Not permitted	Not permitted	Not permitted	As per garden watering	As per garden watering <sup>3</sup>
THREE	Bucket watering only between: 6-8 am OR 6-8 pm <sup>1</sup>	Not permitted	Not permitted	Not permitted	Not permitted	As per garden watering <sup>3</sup>
FOUR	Not permitted	Not permitted	Not permitted	Not permitted	Not permitted	Not permitted

 $<sup>^{1}</sup>$  Times shown are for Daylight Saving Time. Eastern Standard Time times are 6-9 am and 4-7 pm.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Odds and Evens System – Houses (residential or multi-residential) with an odd street number may water on odd-numbered days of the month. Houses (residential or multi-residential) with an even street number may water on even-numbered days of the month. No odds and evens system applies for the 31<sup>st</sup> of January, March, May, July, August, October, December or the 29<sup>th</sup> February, however all other level 2 restrictions apply.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Vehicles and boats should be washed on lawns wherever possible using buckets. A hose may be used for a final rinse under levels 1, 2 and 3