



Media Release

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LEVEL 1 WATER RESTRICTIONS INTRODUCED FOR TENTERFIELD

Although we have been experiencing lovely rain and the Dam remains at 100% capacity, Council has voted to return Level 1 Water Restrictions to the reticulation area of Tenterfield.

As from 9.00 am Monday, 2 March 2020, Level 1 Water Restrictions will be introduced to continue the momentum of reduced water usage gained throughout the past few years while the community was tasked with severe water restrictions.

In making this decision, Councillors considered the sediment incursion into the Dam as a result of the fire and consequent flooding event and the fact that at this stage, it cannot be remotely deemed that the drought is over. In addition, Councillors advised that many community members had approached them concerned at the removal of water restrictions entirely.

"It was great to have a break and take a deep breath after all our water difficulties but it is now time to move on", said Mayor Peter Petty.

"I am aware that the overall feeling of people is that we should retain some level of water restriction as a reminder of the value of water and that it is not an unlimited resource", the Mayor added.

Level 1 Water Restrictions impose the following limits:

Residential Properties:

- Use of fixed hoses or sprinklers for gardening limited to 2 hours per day;
- Use of approved micro sprays/garden watering systems limited to 2 hours per day,
- There are no restrictions on the use of hand held hoses for gardens;
- Filling of swimming pools and spas is permitted;
- There are no restrictions on washing hard surfaces;

Public/Commercial:

- Public gardens, sports grounds, show ground and nurseries sprinklers limited to 2 hours per day, between 5:30 pm and 7:30 am daily Daylight Saving Time; and between 4:30 pm and 6:30 am Eastern Standard Time;
- Market garden sprinklers limited to 6 hours per day;
- There are no restrictions on washing of motor vehicles, filling of fountains, auto flush toilets/urinals, ready mix concrete, stock troughs or water cartage.

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