



MEDIA RELEASE

WATER RESTRICTIONS EASED FROM LEVEL FIVE (5) TO LEVEL THREE (3) FOR THE TOWN OF BOURKE AND NORTH BOURKE

Bourke Shire Council advises all residents of Bourke and North Bourke that water restrictions in Bourke and North Bourke have reverted from Level Five (5) to Level Three (3). This change will apply effective 4.00pm Monday, 27th May 2019.

The weir pool is now re-filling due to inflows from the Culgoa River. This inflow is good news for Bourke and North Bourke's town water supply and for stock and domestic users. It is still unclear as to how much water will be received into the Bourke weir pool, but it is anticipated that it will continue to slowly rise.

The use of fixed sprinklers continues to be prohibited.

Hand held hoses can, however, now be used for two (2) hours per day only at each property.

These restrictions apply to both filtered and raw water supplies.

The washing of paved areas and motor vehicles can only be undertaken using buckets (commercial operations with recycling facilities are exempt) and the filling or topping up of private swimming pools is prohibited in accordance with Council's adopted policy.

While water consumption for internal/domestic (household) use is not subject to restrictions residents are still requested to be mindful to take measures to reduce consumption, like ensuring that the taps don't continue to run whilst cleaning your teeth.

The filtered water supply will continue to be a blend of river and bore water.

Full details of restrictions are available on Councils Website <https://bourke.nsw.gov.au/wp-content/uploads/2019/05/Water-Restrictions.pdf>

The cooperation of all residents is sought in complying with these restrictions.

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For further information please contact Bourke Shire Council 02 68 308 000.