



Wimmera Mallee Pipeline - Seasonal Watering Proposal



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The Mallee Catchment Management Authority Seasonal Watering Proposal for the Wimmera Mallee Pipeline wetlands outlines the delivery for 2022-23. Similar to the 2021-22 season, dry conditions are continuing and water resource availability in the Wimmera system will again be operating under a Drought or Dry climatic scenario during 2022-23.

Some wetlands may receive a small amount of environmental water allocation or no allocation this coming season (2022-23). This ensures the delivery of the environmental water program aligns with current climatic conditions within the catchment.

Why do we water the Wimmera Mallee wetlands?

These wetlands provide critical habitat and drinking holes for native wildlife including turtles, waterbirds, reptiles and frogs. They provide important refuges for the community to play, relax, connect with nature and sustain healthy Country to support cultural values.

2022-23 Season

The priority for 2022-23 is to focus on maintaining and protecting critical habitat. Under the watering proposal for 2022-23, up to 32 wetlands are expected to receive some environmental water, and is dependent on the climatic scenario.

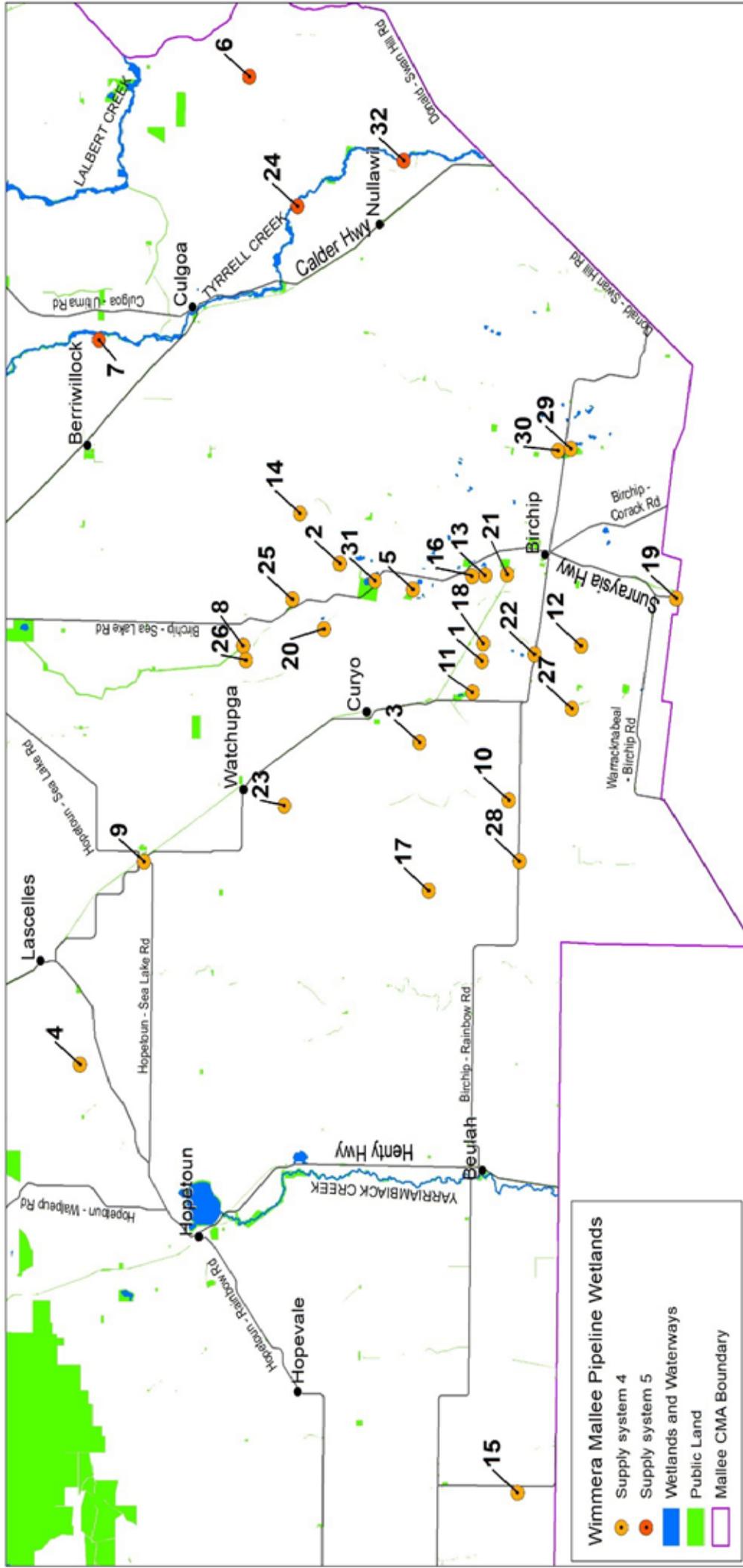
Community

Mallee CMA will continue to keep the community and landholders informed about the delivery of the environmental watering program for 2022-23.

For more information about the proposed watering program, please contact the Mallee CMA Environmental Water team - Wimmera Mallee Pipeline wetlands, Greg Cranston.

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<p>Drought Main objective: PROTECT</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Avoid critical loss - Maintain key refuges - Avoid catastrophic events 	<p>Dry Main objective: MAINTAIN</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Maintain river functioning with reduced reproductive capacity - Maintain key functions of high priority wetlands - Manage within dry-spell tolerances 	<p>Average Main objective: RECOVER</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Improve ecological health and resiliense - Improve recruitment opportunities for key animal and plan species 	<p>Wet to very wet Main objective: ENHANCE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Restore key floodplain and wetland linkages - Enhance recruitment opportunities for key animal and plan species



Wimmera Mallee Pipeline Wetlands

- Supply system 4
- Supply system 5
- Wetlands and Waterways
- Public Land
- Mallee CMA Boundary

1, Barbers Swamp	15, John Ampt	21, Pam Juergens	28, Shannons Wayside
2, Broom Tank Reserve	16, Kath Smith	22, Part of Gap Reserve	29, Tchum Wetland
3, Bull Swamp	17, Lake Danaher Bushland Reserve	23, Paul Barclay	30, Tchum Lakes Dam
4, Chiprick Reserve	18, Mahoods Corner	24, Poyner	31, Towma
5, Clinton Shire dam	19, Morton Plains Reserve	25, R Ferrier	32, Uttiwilllock
6, Cokum Bushland Reserve	20, Newer Tank Bushland Reserve	26, Rickard	
7, Considine		27, Roselyn Wetland/Reids Dam	

