

# GOULBURN BROKEN CMA

## INVESTMENT

\$12.0 million Victorian Government  
 \$28.5 million Australian Government  
 \$1.4 million other investment



## KEY EVENTS & INSIGHTS

- More than 61,000 hectares of farm irrigation upgrades, generating 71 gigalitres of water savings have been achieved through the Farm Water Program to date. The program increased farm productivity (on average per hectare by 2.3 tonnes of dry-matter, generating 1.8 megalitres/hectare of water savings and \$140 in labour savings) and bolstered irrigator confidence. The program is funded through the Australian and Victorian governments.
- In a Murray Darling Basin first, flow releases in the Goulburn, Campaspe and Murray rivers were timed to coincide, with a follow-up a flow along the Loddon River. Monitoring indicated the flow achieved its aim of encouraging native fish (particularly silver and golden perch) to move between the Goulburn and the other rivers.
- Victorian and NSW natural resource management staff and hundreds of landholders have been involved in protecting more than 5,150 hectares across the catchment, either side of the Murray River, as part of the Creating Biodiverse Carbon Landscapes and Revegetation of Sand Ridge Woodlands projects. Both projects were Australian Government Biodiversity Fund projects.
- A major blackwater event occurred on the Goulburn River near Shepparton in January following heavy rainfall in a number of small tributaries. The Goulburn Broken CMA provided community updates, organised for extra water to be released to help dissipate the blackwater and worked with local anglers and agencies to collect data on the effects on native fish.
- Goulburn Broken CMA led the signing of the regional Algabonyah Employment Accord, which is designed to narrow the workforce participation gap for Aboriginal people.

## OUTPUT

	TARGET	ACTUAL			TOTAL
		STATE	C'WLTH	OTHER	
<b>1. STRUCTURAL WORKS</b>					
1.1 Channel (km)	6	0			0
1.2 Water storage (no.)	8	25			25
1.4 Irrigation structure (ha)	4,455		4,455		4,455
1.5 Waterway structure (no.)	65	363			363
1.7 Terrestrial feature (no.)	115	99		28	127
1.8 Monitoring structure (no.)	20	20			20
1.9 Fence (km)	20	41			41
1.10 Visitor facility (no.)	13	12			12
<b>2. ENVIRONMENTAL WORKS</b>					
2.1 Vegetation (ha)	216	144	364		508
2.2 Weed control (ha)	6,377	6,778	1,751		8,529
2.3 Pest animal control (initial + repeat ha)	10,398	9,710	713		10,423
2.8 Earth works (no.)	1	9			9
<b>3. MANAGEMENT SERVICES</b>					
3.1 Grazing (ha)	426	424	649		1,073
3.2 Agricultural practices (ha)	11,800	130	4,076		4,206
3.3 Water (no.)	25	20			20
<b>4. PLANNING AND REGULATION</b>					
4.1 Approval and advice (no.)	4,455	952			952
4.2 Management agreement (no.)	33	66	20		86
4.3 Assessment (no.)	1,855	1,205	37	1	1,243
4.4 Engagement event (no. participants)	6,547	25,173	2,959	44	28,176
4.5 Partnership (no.)	197	235	98		333
4.6 Plan (no.)	110	115	3		118
4.7 Publication (no.)	194	269	11	2	282
4.8 Information management system (no.)	2	2			2

