

Pioneer Valley

Eton Channel Scheme Operations Manual

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Chapter 1 Preliminary

1 Short title

- (1) This operations manual may be cited as the Eton Channel Scheme Operations Manual.
- (2) Reference in this document or to 'this manual' means the Eton Channel Scheme Operations Manual.

2 Interpretation of words used in this manual

The dictionary in attachment 1 defines particular words used in this manual.

3 Water supply scheme

The extent of the Eton Channel Scheme is outlined in attachment 2.

4 Access to water for distribution in Eton Channel Scheme

The holder must not take more water from Kinchant Dam for distribution in the Eton Channel Scheme than is reasonably necessary to–

- (a) meet requirements for the take of water under water allocations to which the licence holder distributes water;
- (b) meet requirements associated with water transmission, and operation of the Eton Channel Scheme; and
- (c) distribute water allocations for the Pioneer River Water Supply Scheme as requested by the resource operations licence holder for the Pioneer River Water Supply Scheme

Chapter 2 Water sharing rules

5 Licence holder responsibilities

The licence holder is responsible for implementing water sharing rules that relate to the water allocations that the licence holder distributes to.

6 Delivering water under a water allocation

The volume of water delivered under a water allocation in a water year must not exceed the nominal volume of the allocation multiplied by the announced allocation.

Chapter 3 Seasonal water assignment rules

7 Seasonal water assignment rules

- (1) The licence holder must not approve the seasonal assignment of a water allocation if the seasonal assignment involves a change in location to or from zone Eton 01.
- (2) The holder of a water allocation may enter into an arrangement for a seasonal water assignment in relation to the allocation under section 61 of the Water Regulation 2016.
- (3) Despite subsection (1), the consent of the resource operations licence holder to the arrangement is also required when—
 - (a) water is being seasonally assigned from the Eton Supply Scheme into the Eton Channel Scheme; and
 - (b) water is being seasonally assigned from the Eton Channel Scheme out to the Eton Water Supply Scheme.
- (4) Water supplied under section (2) or (3) may be used for any purpose.

Attachment 1 Dictionary

Term	Definition
Assignee	The person or entity to whom an interest or right to water is being transferred (e.g. seasonally assigned).
Distribution loss	Water that is 'lost' when delivering water for water allocations in reticulated areas via constructed infrastructure through processes such as (but not limited to) evaporation, seepage, pipeline leakage, accidental loss through temporary pipe failure (breaks), loss through pressure relief systems and scouring.
Licence holder	The holder of the distribution operations licence for the Eton Channel Scheme
Location	For a water allocation, means the zone from which water under the water allocation can be taken.
Nominal volume	Nominal volume means the volume of water, in megalitres, that represents the share of the water available to be taken by holders of water allocations in a priority group or a water allocation group.
Resource operations licence holder	The holder of the resource operations licence for the Eton Water Supply Scheme
Water user	The holder of a valid water entitlement.
Water Year	The period from 1 April to 31 March in the following year

Attachment 2 Eton Channel Scheme

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