

2025-26 Announced allocation notice for the Daly Roper Beetaloo water control district

The Daly Roper Beetaloo water control district includes the Tindall Flora Aquifer and Jinduckin Formation, Edith River and upstream Katherine River area.

Water extraction licences in the Daly Roper Beetaloo water control district are subject to announced allocation conditions. These conditions provide me, as the Controller of Water Resources, an option to temporarily reduce water licence entitlements, should it be required, to protect the environmental, cultural or social values associated with a water resource.

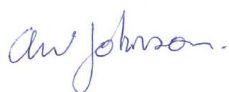
I have determined that the environmental, cultural and social values of the water resources within the Daly Roper Beetaloo water control district will be maintained without any reduction in water entitlements for the 2025-26 water accounting year, commencing 1 May 2025.

All licence holders within the abovementioned resources of the Daly Roper Beetaloo water control district are permitted to extract up to 100% of their licensed entitlements for the 2025-26 water accounting year.

In determining not to reduce allocation entitlements, I considered the following matters:

- The Water Allocation Planning Framework identifies allowable levels of impact to water resources within the district, not covered by a water allocation plan.
- The Katherine and Mataranka regions received below average rainfall whilst the Daly region received above average rainfall during the 2024-2025 wet season.
- Modelling for the district predicts the impact of water extraction, including rural stock and domestic and existing licences, on river flows on 1 November 2025 (assuming zero rainfall for the remainder of 2025).

Modelled predictions indicate flow rates in the Tindall Flora Aquifer, Jinduckin Formation, Edith River and upstream Katherine River areas are within the level of impact set by the Water Allocation Planning Framework.



Andrew Johnson
Controller of Water Resources

17 April 2025