

# WATER SHARING PLANS

## THE LACHLAN VALLEY WATER SHARING PLAN

requires that 75% of average annual flow is reserved for the environment over the long term.

SET THE RULES FOR SHARING BETWEEN WATER USERS AND THE ENVIRONMENT

GOVERN HOW WATER ACCESS LICENCES CAN BE USED

EXPLAIN THE RULES FOR ALLOCATION OF WATER TO LICENCES

### The Lachlan Water Sharing Plan provides for:



**Basic human needs** by requiring a visible flow close to the end of the system.



**Replenishment flows** of up to 40,000 ML/year to mid and lower Lachlan creeks.



**Translucent flows for the environment**, subject to triggers, between 15 May and 15 November.



**Environmental contingency and water quality allowances** of up to 20,000 ML/year each.



Sufficient resources for **100% allocation to local water utilities, stock and domestic, and high security licences for 2 years** before any allocation to general security licences

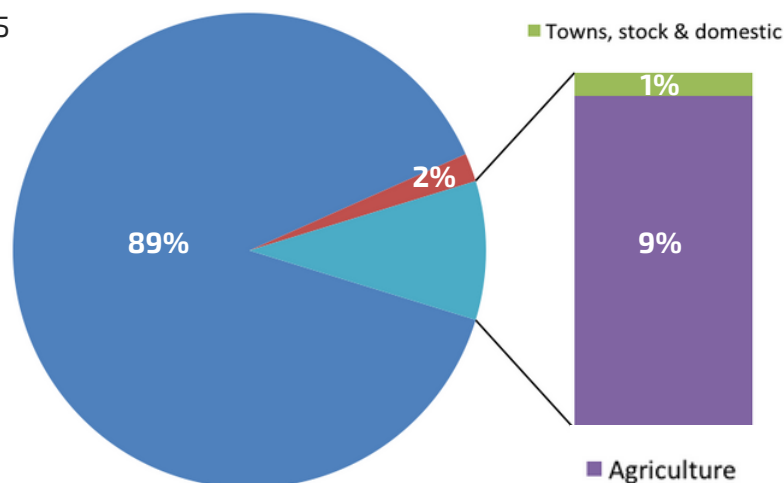
**25% of average flow is able to be used by water licences, but usage has been below the allowed limit since the Plan was introduced.**

### ACTUAL SHARE OF FLOW 2016/17 IN THE LACHLAN (%)

■ Planned Environmental water

■ Purchased Environmental Licences

■ Towns, stock & domestic



\* % may not add to 100 due to rounding



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