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Water Restrictions in Baradine, Binnaway, Merrygoen, and Mendooran lifted

With conditions improving, Council has made the decision to lift Level 1 water restrictions in Baradine and water restrictions in Binnaway, Merrygoen, and Mendooran.

“After being on level 1 water restrictions now for over 7 months lifting the water restrictions in Baradine, Binnaway, Merrygoen and Mendooran is a great relief for residents,” said Warrumbungle Shire Council Mayor Councillor Ambrose Doolan. “However, Coonabarabran residents remain on level 2 water restrictions.”

Baradine was placed on water restrictions to manage customer demand, primarily due to limitations on the water treatment plant. Customers in Binnaway, Merrygoen, and Mendooran faced water restrictions due to low flows observed in the Castlereagh River. However, recent rainfall across the catchment area, coupled with decreasing temperatures, has resulted in more consistent healthy flows within the Castlereagh River, prompting the lifting of water restrictions.

“While Council is no longer enforcing water restrictions in these towns, we urge the community to remain mindful of water conservation practices. Conserving water supplies will extend the availability of water, even during dry periods,” Cr Doolan explained.

Coonabarabran still remains on level 2 water restrictions due usage still being extremely high with residents using approximately 336L per person per day, when the level 2 water restriction marker is 240L per person per day. This consumption is drawing to heavily on Timor Dam, which is currently at 65.93%, to reduce restrictions.

“Residents are encouraged to jump onto Councils website and have a look at a range of useful tips and tricks for homes and local businesses to help conserve water supplies,” Cr Doolan explained.

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