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Community Service Announcement Further Update on Water Releases to Swampy Plains River from Khancoban Pondage

Latest weather forecasts indicate that the current hot weather conditions may continue over south east Australia for the next few days which may necessitate the need to continue increased generation from the Snowy Scheme.

If the hot weather and associated electricity generation pattern continues then it is possible that water releases from Khancoban Pondage into the Swampy Plains River may significantly increase from its current revised level of around 5 cubic metres per second (cumec) to a level of around 50 to 100 cumecs.

While we believe the likelihood of this event occurring is low we would like to advise landholders and residents downstream of Khancoban Dam to take whatever precautions are necessary to prepare for this possible event.

Up to date information on water release flows into the Swampy Plains River can be obtained on the recorded Khancoban Pondage water release information line on (02) 6453 2098.