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**Subject:** Snowy Hydro to establish a temporary Viewing Area at Jindabyne Dam

## **Snowy Hydro to establish a temporary viewing area at Jindabyne Dam**

Snowy Hydro CEO and Managing Director, Terry Charlton, announced today that Snowy Hydro would be establishing a temporary viewing area for the public at Jindabyne Dam.

During October this year more than 88,000 megalitres will be released from Lake Jindabyne into the Snowy River to create a very substantial “flushing” flow aimed at improving the health of the river.

Mr Charlton said “There is interest in the local community to view these major environmental releases from Lake Jindabyne into the Snowy River this October. However, the Company has a greater interest to ensure the safety of those wishing to view these releases. No risks in relation to public safety can or will be taken and with this in mind a temporary viewing area will be established by Snowy Hydro downstream of the dam wall that will be accessible via the Council landfill road.”

The temporary viewing area will open from 8am to 6pm daily from Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> October to Monday 24<sup>th</sup> October 2011 with further details and location map to be advertised in the local newspapers.

Snowy Hydro would also like to advise that temporary safety fencing will also be installed along Kosciuszko Road on the dam wall.

Mr Charlton concluded by saying “in the New Year we will discuss with Snowy River Shire Council, Tourism Snowy Mountains and the Jindabyne Chamber of Commerce as to the merits of a permanent viewing area at the site”.