

## CENTRAL IRRIGATION TRUST

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Goulburn to Murray Trade Rule Review  
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As a South Australian Irrigation Infrastructure Operator we are extremely concerned about the operation and proposed changes to the Goulburn Inter Valley Trade arrangements. Of particular concern is the third party impact this is having and will continue to have on South Australian Irrigators.

Both the Victorian and NSW governments have allowed IVT trades between the Murrumbidgee, Goulburn and Murray Rivers to exceed their limits over several years with the Goulburn IVT exceeding its limit in 2014/15, 2017/18, 2018/19 and 2019/20.

These government actions have allowed unfettered development to occur downstream of the Murrumbidgee and Goulburn Rivers which now requires significantly more consumptive water than historical use for these areas.

Restricting the IVTs to their previous limits or below as proposed in the paper will have adverse impacts not only on Victorian downstream communities but also those in NSW and South Australia.

The Victorian government must rectify the problem it has created by opening up the IVT to supply the current developments or installing/using infrastructure to bypass the Goulburn.

Yours Sincerely,

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