



**Australian Government**

**Department of Climate Change, Energy,  
the Environment and Water**

Restoring our Rivers

## **Water Purchase Program**

I, Tanya Plibersek Minister for the Environment and Water:

- a) Have considered the social and economic impact on communities in the Murray-Darling Basin related to purchasing up to 70 GL (long-term division limit equivalent) in the southern connected basin, as per section 86ADB of the Water Act 2007 (Cth).
- b) Have approved the department commencing a water purchase program for up to 70 GL in the southern connected basin in 2024 and launching the *Restoring our Rivers 2024 Selected Catchments Open Tender*.

  
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25.6.2024

Tanya Plibersek  
Minister for the Environment and Water