

Kindred / North Motton Irrigation Scheme

Tranche One

Water for this scheme is harvested from the Forth River downstream of Lake Paloona under an agreement with Hydro Tasmania, ensuring greater utilisation of this scarce resource and reliability for local irrigators

The Kindred / North Motton Irrigation Scheme commenced operations in February 2014 and services the Kindred, Sprent, Abbotsham, Forth, Gawler, Ulverstone and North Motton areas in North West Tasmania. Irrigation water is sourced from the Forth River and pumped to a holding dam located near Sprent.

Reliability is under-pinned by releases from Lake Paloona – a water storage facility owned and operated by Hydro Tasmania. Water is delivered throughout the district via 44km of pipelines, which is pressurised at the Sprent Dam.

Towns / area serviced

Kindred, Sprent, Abbotsham, Forth, Gawler, Ulverstone and North Motton

Principal primary production focus of scheme

Potatoes, vegetables, poppies, cereals, pyrethrum, berries and dairy

Length of irrigation season

120-day summer delivery

44

KMs of pipeline

1

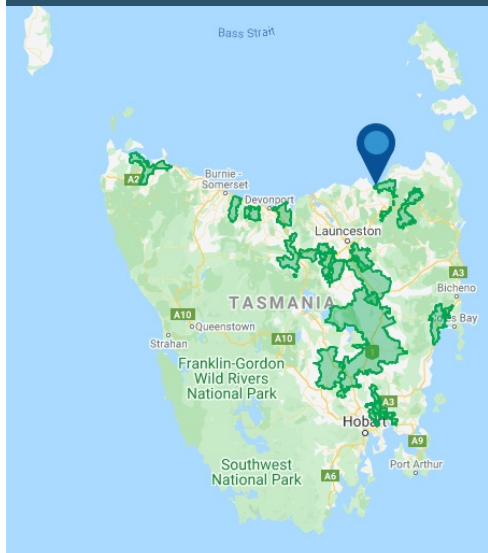
Dams

2

Pump Stations

0

Power Stations



Approval

November 2011

Construction started

January 2013

Operations commenced

February 2014

Capacity

2,500 ML

Cost

\$10.6 million

Number of irrigators

53

Forecast opening

Early October

Forecast closing

Late April

Daily flow rate

16.67 ML / day

Initial water sales cost

\$1,200 / ML

Percentage of entitlements sold

78%

ML available to buy

560 ML

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