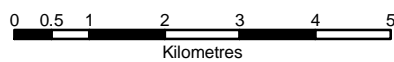


Map 18- Wandella Creek Water Source





Name of Water Source:

Wandella Creek Water Source

Relevant Water Sharing Plan: Water Sharing Plan for the Wandella Creek Water Source gazetted on 14 February 2003 and as amended by order gazetted on 1 July 2004.

Description of Water Source:

The Wandella Creek Water Source is that area of land within South Coast Water Management Area as shown in Map 18, upstream of the confluence of Wandella Creek with the Tuross River [grid reference: 7533,59888, Cobargo 1:100,000 map sheet No.8825]

The water source is divided into 2 management zones, the Upper Management Zone and a combined Middle and Lower Management Zone. These are described as follows:

Upper Management Zone:

- In the south of the sub-catchment Wandella Creek (locally known in this section as Illawambra Creek) flows from the slopes running to the north from the western slopes of Murrabrine Mountain (794 m; grid reference: 7460,59662, Cobargo 1:100,000 map sheet No.8825), located in the recent addition to Wadbilliga National Park (formerly Murrabrine State Forest).
- The stream emerges through forested freehold land to the north, including a parcel of former Crown Land granted to the Merrimans Aboriginal Land Council. It continues through part - cleared private native forest and its local name changes to Wandella Creek as it enters mostly - cleared undulating farmland, downstream and to the west of Mount Dumpling (400m, grid reference: 7495,59720, Cobargo 1:100,000 map sheet No.8825) and the Illawambra Dam (grid reference: 7485,59717, Cobargo 1:100,000 map sheet No.8825).

Middle - Lower Management Zone:

- In the southeastern part of the sub-catchment Tanto Creek and Galba Creek run northwards mostly through undulating cleared farmland to join Wandella Creek.
 - In the western part of the sub-catchment Paddy's Creek and Stony Creek flow from the steep eastern and southern slopes of Wandella Peak (locally known as 'Peak Alone', 957 m; grid reference: 7498,59785, Cobargo 1:100,000 map sheet No.8825), running eastwards through Wadbilliga National Park and Wandella State Forest and emerging into undulating cleared farmland before joining Wandella Creek.
 - Sam Woods Gully and two other tributary streams rise in the north-eastern part of the sub-catchment and run from the steep south-western slopes off the ridge of Jeffers Mountain (549 m; grid reference: 7586,59802, Cobargo 1:100,000 map sheet No.8825) in Kooraban National Park. The southern - most of these, Dogtrap Gully joins another tributary which dissects farmland to the east. These three run mostly through undulating cleared farmland and join Wandella Creek through flood plains located in the lower part of the mid - section.
 - Three significant tributary streams (including Fern Creek, Myrtle Gully and an unnamed stream) flow from the northern slopes and connecting ridges running to the north of Wandella Peak, through Wadbilliga National Park, Wandella State Forest and private native forest, to join Wandella Creek at various points in the steeper, forested northern section of the sub-catchment.
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- The northern most point of the Wandella Creek sub-catchment is the junction (grid reference: 7533,59888, Cobargo 1:100,000 map sheet No.8825) where Wandella Creek flows into the mid -Tuross River and heads Eastwards towards the lower Tuross River, Tuross Lake and the sea (approx. 30 km to the East).

Specific conditions apply to access licence dealings within these management zones. Very low flow cease to pump levels are defined for each management zone.

Definition of Waters Included:

The waters of the Wandella Creek Water Source include all water occurring on the land surface shown on Map 18, including but not limited to:

Dogtrap Gully
Fern Creek
Galba Creek
Myrtle Gully
Paddy's Creek

Sam Woods Gully
Stony Creek
Tanto Creek
Wandella Creek (including the reach known locally as Illawambra Creek)