Under normal conditions when there are enough inflows, water is allocated to customers, towns and the environment. We store it in our dams (like a bank) for it to be drawn on when needed.

What are we doing? With careful management we have delayed the worst impacts of this drought by up to 12 months.

Block releases from Keepit Dam have helped provide water to as many as possible.

Water quality monitoring to provide information to Government agencies, water entitlement holders and the community.

Collaborating with all levels of government to provide expert advice and investigate a range of solutions.


Drought impacts NSW is experiencing one of the most severe droughts on record.

The town of Walgett is now being supplied through groundwater resources, due to the Namoi River ceasing to flow.

Algal blooms associated with low flows and high temperature affecting water quality.

Business impacts for both planning and irrigation phases of business cycle.

Water management in NSW WaterNSW operates the state’s river system and storages in accordance with the rules set out by regulators.