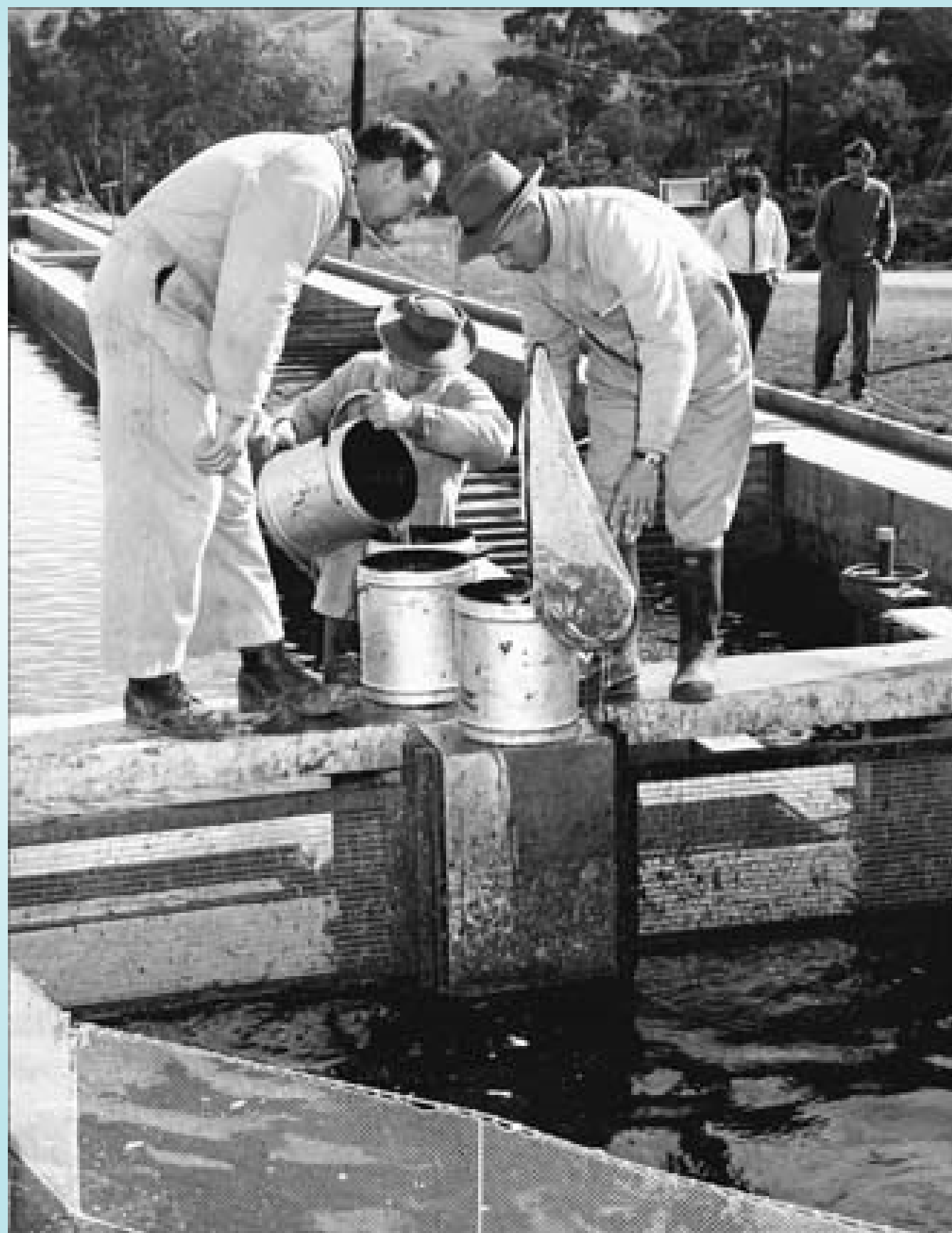


Vic Fish Stock 2024-25



Where your fish are stocked across Victoria



Aboriginal acknowledgement

The Victorian Government proudly acknowledges Victoria's Aboriginal community and their rich culture and pays respect to their Elders past, present and emerging.

We acknowledge Aboriginal people as Australia's first peoples, and as the Traditional Owners and custodians of the land on which we work and live.

We recognise the strength of Aboriginal people and communities and value the ongoing contribution of Aboriginal people and communities to Victorian life, through their daily work and at key events, and how this enriches us all.

We recognise all Aboriginal cultures and communities are diverse and should be celebrated.

We acknowledge that the land and water is of spiritual, cultural and economic importance to Aboriginal people.

We embrace the spirit of reconciliation: guaranteeing equality of outcomes and ensuring an equal voice.

We have distinct legislative obligations to Traditional Land Owner groups that are paramount in our responsibilities in managing Victoria's resources.

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Introduction

Every year the Victorian Fisheries Authority, stocks many of Victoria's inland lakes, impoundments and rivers with key recreational angling species to improve fishing opportunities for fishers across the state. This document reports on the outcomes of the 2024 fish stocking consultation.

The fish stocking year reports on financial year, from 1st of July to 30th of June of the following year.

In 2024, the draft stocking plan was released for public comment for a period of six weeks.

Submissions to change the stocking program were received and considered from representative angler groups and recreational fishers. The Authority acknowledges and values the important contribution made by stakeholders in this process, particularly those who volunteered their time to prepare and discuss submissions.

The next round of Vic Fish Stock meetings will occur in early 2025.



2023-24 Fish stocking season—Summary

The 2023-24 Vic Fish Stock proposed that 1,319,390 salmonids and 8,971,000 native fish to be stocked across Victoria. A total of 2,013,592 salmonids and 9,539,100 natives were stocked between 1st July 2023 and 30th June 2024.

The 2022-23 and 2023-24 fish production years were impacted due to the statewide floods that occurred in the spring of 2022. This reduced the availability and condition of mature golden perch broodstock. Early predictions in the native season were of a golden perch shortage, therefore extra Murray cod and silver perch were grown and purchased.

As a follow up to the lower stocking season in 2022/23, the VFA were able to take the opportunity to stock an additional 1.5 million fish in 2023/24 with funds carried over from the previous season. This has allowed us to be close to our average of 10 million fish per year, with 29.5 million being stocked over the last 3 years.

An excellent year of brown trout production also resulted in an extra 400,000 fish being stocked as fingerlings.

	Proposed stocking numbers	Actual number stocked
Salmonids		
Brown trout	666,500	1,152,982
Rainbow trout	542,890	668,144
Chinook salmon	100,000	182,700
Tiger trout	10,000	9,766
Sub total	1,319,390	2,013,592
Natives		
Australian bass	408,000	460,000
Golden perch	4,552,500	4,276,900
Macquarie perch ¹	100,000	78,800
Murray cod	2,983,000	3,613,900
Silver perch	511,500	788,500
Trout cod ¹	100,000	44,900
Estuary perch ²	281,000	255,000
Dusky flathead ²	35,000	21,100
Sub total	8,971,000	9,539,100
Total	10,290,390	11,552,692

¹ Estimates only, actual numbers dependant on the outcomes of onsite breeding program.

² Dependent on availability from commercial supplier.

2024-25 Vic Fish Stock meeting outcomes

The 2024-25 Vic Fish Stock meetings proposed native fish to be stocked into Victorian public waters in the summer of 2024-25 and salmonids stocked over winter 2025. Details of the planned species and numbers to be stocked for each water body are detailed in Appendix 1.

The proposed fish release figures summarised here and listed in Appendix 1 are targets for the 2024/25 financial year. Numbers may vary and may be exceeded or not attained, depending on a variety of factors at our hatcheries and waterways. The VFA will monitor fish availability and waterway conditions to get the best result possible. Therefore, fish allocations may be amended prior to release.

Summary of planned Vic Fish Stockings 2024-25

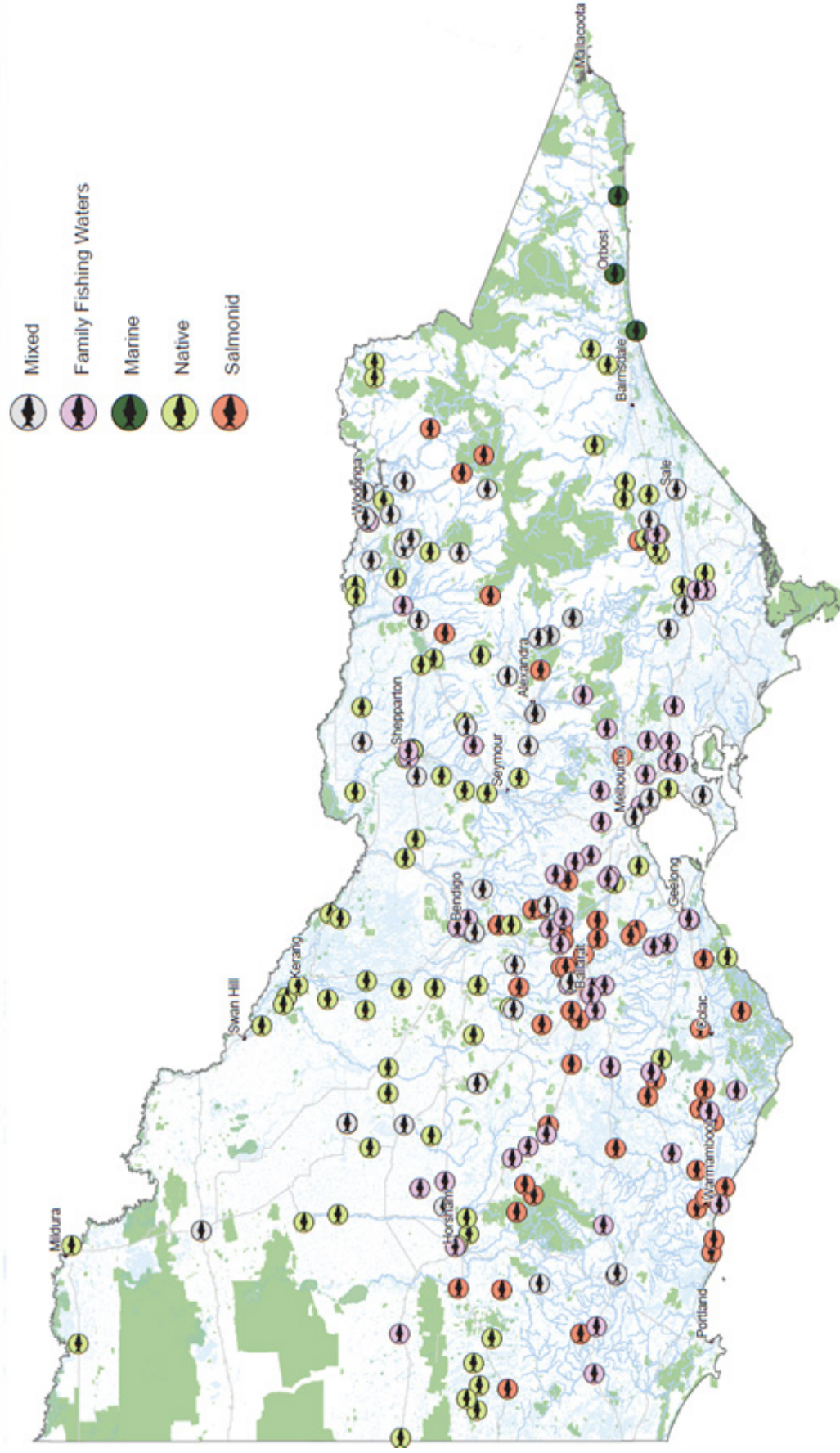
Proposed stocking numbers	
Natives (summer 2024-25)	
Australian bass ¹	403,000
Golden perch	4,392,500
Macquarie perch ²	100,000
Murray cod	2,953,000
Silver perch	521,500
Trout cod ²	100,000
Estuary perch ¹	345,000
Dusky flathead ²	45,000
Sub Total	8,860,000
Total	10,175,000

¹ Dependent on availability from commercial supplier.

² Estimates only, actual numbers dependant on the outcomes of breeding program

Proposed stocking numbers	
Salmonids (winter 2025)	
Brown trout	676,500
Rainbow trout	538,500
Chinook salmon	90,000
Tiger trout ¹	10,000
Sub total	1,315,000

Fish Stocking in Victoria



Victorian Fisheries Authority Activity Spotlight

The Victorian Fisheries Authority (VFA) is always looking to provide or improve recreational angling opportunities across the state. Here is a glimpse of some of the VFA's activities pertaining to stocking and inland fisheries from last year.

11.5 million fish stocked last year in Victoria

The Victorian Fisheries Authority's fish stocking program has again hit a high-water mark with 11.5 million fish stocked last year, so more recreational fishers can wet a line close to home across the state.

More fish are stocked in Victoria than every other state and territory in Australia combined – with Murray cod, golden perch, brown and rainbow trout, threatened species Macquarie perch and trout cod, dusky flathead, Australian bass and more bolstering world-class fishing experiences that are easy and accessible for every Victorian to enjoy.

The Victorian Fisheries Authority has stocked more than 29.5 million fish since July 2021.

Last year, more than 1.8 million brown and rainbow trout were stocked in waterways across the state while 7.8 million native Murray cod and golden perch fingerlings are also now in waters for recreational fishers to enjoy. A total of 460,000 Australian bass and more than 700,000 silver perch were also stocked across the state.

The future of the endangered Macquarie perch continues to shine brighter with nearly 80,000 fingerlings stocked into Victorian waters to re-establish wild populations across the state, fast-tracking the recovery of the once-prominent native fish.

The recovery of Macquarie perch is also supported by significant upgrades at the VFA's Snobs Creek hatchery. Work on a new captive breeding centre has begun in 2024.



Boosting up the bass and estuary perch

Anglers across Victoria are benefitting from more than 715,000 Australian bass and estuary perch stocked into 32 lakes and rivers for recreational fishers to enjoy.

Australian bass and estuary perch live in coastal flowing catchments and are highly prized by recreational anglers as iconic native sportfish capable of living for over 40 years. Both species are stocked annually by the Victorian Fisheries Authority (VFA), which has released around five million bass and perch over the last decade. Lots of these fish have reached catchable size and are now delivering outstanding fishing for Victorian anglers who, for bass, previously had to travel interstate for great lake fishing.

Waters that shared in the 460,000 bass stocking included Lake Glenmaggie, which now enjoys 50,000 newly stocked fish, while 52,000 fish were stocked at Blue Rock Lake. Traralgon Creek now enjoys 10,000 extra bass and rivers such as the Mitchell have been stocked with 100,000 fish for recreational fishers to enjoy.

The population of bass have been boosted in the Snowy, Cann, Timbarra, Macalister, Latrobe, Avon, Tambo and Thomson rivers. In Victoria's south-west, Bullen Merri and Elingamite lakes both now enjoy 10,000 bass each.

Anglers are also set to snag one of more than 260,000 estuary perch that have been stocked in waters across Victoria. Gippsland Lakes has been stocked with a super 98,000 perch, while Lake Tyers, Genoa River, Bemm, Snowy and Little rivers now all have 10,000 perch each.

Lakers Cutting near Point Lonsdale has been boosted by 15,000 estuary perch and fishers at the Barwon can catch one of the 45,000 stocked fish, while 20,000 perch are stocked at Werribee. Upper Stony Creek Reservoir has been stocked with 24,000 estuary perch and Devilbend Reservoir on the Mornington Peninsula, which now has 9,000 fingerlings.



To see the full list of all 32 stocked waterways, visit www.vfa.vic.gov.au/bassandperch2023

Family fun on offer at Arcadia Visitor Centre

The new family friendly Visitor Centre at the Arcadia Native Fish Hatchery is set to become a tourism drawcard for the Goulburn Valley,

The Centre located at the Victorian Fisheries Authority's Arcadia hatchery located south of Shepparton on the banks of the Goulburn River. The new centre includes a public fish-out pond, playground and information to learn more about native fish, the history of fishing and Burnanga, the name for Murray cod in Yorta Yorta language.

Fishers of all skill levels can try their luck at the fish-out pond, which has been stocked with golden perch up to three kilograms, silver perch and Murray cod. During the school holidays it also receives on-grown rainbow trout to maintain a winter fishery. For primary school students that have recently received their free Little Angler Kit, it will be an ideal spot to test it out.

Free barbecue facilities provide a great day trip destination. For those camping nearby on the banks of the Goulburn River, the centre features free shower and toilet facilities.

The Arcadia hatchery was opened in 2021 and now plays a key role in Victoria aiming to maintain stocking of 10 million fish.

The Arcadia Native Fish Hatchery Visitors Centre is located at 200 Ross Road, Arcadia, about a 20-minute drive south of Shepparton.



New all year cod fisheries opened

A trio of central Victorian waters have been opened to Murray cod fishing all year-round.

Following widespread consultation, the three-month closed season has been removed on lakes Eppalock, Nillahcootie and Cairn Curran Reservoir.

These three lakes share in hundreds of thousands of cod stocked annually by the VFA and research has shown breeding among stocked populations in waters like this is low, so a closed season is of little benefit.

Removing the closed season in 2016 transformed Lake Eildon into a Murray cod mecca 12 months of the year. In 2021, a similar decision was supported for several western Victorian waters and this would provide great fishing opportunities and a tourism boost in the heart of the state.

Opening up year-round fishing also takes pressure off rivers like the Loddon, Campaspe and Broken to help support breeding populations.

The closed Murray cod season still applies in the majority of rivers and lakes north of the Great Dividing Range between 1 September and 30 November, to give Murray cod a chance to breed in peace - but it does not apply in Lake Eildon or waters of the Wimmera and Millicent basins, including Rocklands Reservoir.

Lake Eppalock is located 30 minutes from the booming regional city of Bendigo, with a growing population of more than 120,000 people. The lake has been stocked with more than 2.59 million cod since 2010.

Cairn Curran Reservoir is located about 45 minutes south-west of Bendigo, near Newstead and the historic town of Maldon, and is well regarded for its springtime golden perch fishing. To boost Murray cod fishing it has scored 250,000 fingerlings this season, among close to a million over the past 20 years.

The picturesque Lake Nillahcootie, on the Broken River south of Benalla, has scored more than 400,000 cod since 2011 and will continue to be a productive mixed fishery.



“Cracking the Code” on Macquarie perch

In 2023 the VFA began a three-year partnership worth \$3.7 million led by the Federal and Victorian governments to crack the code on how to reliably breed Macquarie perch in captivity. The three-year project will conduct dedicated research to ‘crack the code’ on captive breeding of the species, meaning fisheries experts will be able to produce and release Macquarie Perch using hatchery broodstock, rather than capturing wild adult fish every season.

The project, led by the Federal and Victorian Governments, features 12 partners across government, universities and community, including Victorian Fisheries Authority (VFA), Fisheries Research and Development Corporation (FRDC), NSW Fisheries and the North East and Goulburn Broken Catchment Management Authorities.

This important work will also be driven by research partners including Deakin University, University of the Sunshine Coast, Monash University, Arthur Rylah Institute and the Norwegian Institute of Aquaculture Research, as well as the Goulburn Broken Catchment Management Authority.

Macquarie Perch were once abundant in south-eastern Australia but a range of factors, including barriers to fish migration and loss of habitat, have restricted populations to just a handful of locations. Breeding currently relies on annual collection of broodfish from the wild, with experts having been unable to replicate environmental conditions for broodstock to thrive in hatcheries over several breeding seasons.

This dedicated research project will examine nutrition, hormones, the timing of breeding and other factors to understand how to consistently produce fingerlings for stocking – boosting the ongoing work to save the Macquarie Perch from extinction. It will examine nutrition, hormones, the timing of breeding and more to understand how to consistently produce fingerlings for stocking.

Macquarie perch recovery is also being boosted by \$15m worth of development at the VFA’s Snobs Creek and Arcadia hatcheries. The ongoing work will see all Murray cod production move to Arcadia, freeing up capacity at Snobs Creek to maximise Macquarie perch breeding.

Since January 2020, the VFA’s Snobs Creek hatchery has produced more than 320,000 Macquarie perch that have been stocked into Victorian waters to establish populations both old and new.

Efforts to protect Macquarie perch have also been bolstered with the endangered species given full protected status. Victorian Fisheries Authority (VFA) have prohibited the take of Macquarie perch state-wide as part of an effort to give wild populations the best chance to be re-established. For more information on how the VFA is recovering Macquarie perch, visit www.vfa.vic.gov.au/recoveringmaccas.



Fishing and Boating Forums

Recreational fishers and boaters from all corners of the state had the chance to discuss their much-loved pastimes and share ideas to make fishing even better at a series of free Fishing and Boating Forums. These forums, hosted by local fishing clubs, have become an annual tradition, with this year marking the third consecutive instalment. The forums featured a comprehensive hour-long presentation from Victorian Fisheries Authority (VFA) and Better Boating Victoria (BBV) staff on the latest in fishing and boating before the audience had a chance to engage with VFA and BBV representatives directly, providing an opportunity to ask questions and exchange ideas.

The 13 forums were held in person at Boort, Maryborough, Melton, Waverly, Dartmouth, Seaholme, Geelong, Horsham, Ouyen, Sale, Omeo and Inverloch, as well as online through a digital forum.

Topics were tailored to each region, including local initiatives from the Go Fishing and Boating Victoria plan, native fish recovery, fish stocking strategies, upgrades as part of the state's biggest ever boat ramp construction program being led by BBV, the vital work of Fisheries Officers and research insights from fisheries scientists into iconic fish like Murray cod and yellowtail kingfish.



Creating stronger local fishing clubs across Victoria

The Victorian Government is making sure more fishing clubs have the resources and facilities they need to grow their membership and promote fishing in their communities, with a new \$1.2 million grants program which is available to incorporated clubs across Victoria.

The first round of the Government's Stronger Fishing Clubs Grant Program has seen 32 clubs receive grants, funded by \$300,600 of funds raised from the sale of fishing licence fees.

The program supports clubs with grants of up to \$10,000, with the first recipients including Shepparton-based Burnanga Indigenous Fishing Club, Port Albert Fishing Club, Ballarat's Lakeside Anglers Club, Ocean Grove Angling Club and the 100-year-old Mitcham Angling Club.

The Burnanga Indigenous Fishing Club is one of the state's newest fishing clubs, and will use the grant to purchase IT, software and printing equipment to attract more anglers to the club and produce educational material on protecting and restoring native fish habitats.

The Lakeside Anglers Club will create new junior member start-up packs, purchase new uniforms and two laptops, hire equipment for public events and make enhancements to their website, complementing a range of broader changes within the club – boosting membership and promoting their activities to more local recreational fishers.

Celebrating their 100 years since formation, the Mitcham Angling Club will use their \$10,000 grant to boost technology upgrades at the club, while Port Albert Fishing Club will rebuild the popular clubroom kitchen.

Ocean Grove Angling Club will purchase new uniforms and promotional material to attract more members across the growing coastal community and buy new cooking equipment for club events.

Round 2 of the Stronger Fishing Clubs Grant Program will see another \$300,000 allocated to angling clubs and associations for projects like:

- fishing tuition for multicultural groups, women, first nations people and all-abilities
- open days at the club
- member training and events involving the public
- guest speaker nights
- upgrades of club IT
- club website development
- clubroom improvements

To learn more, visit vfa.vic.gov.au/strongerfishingclubs.



New habitat fund boosting Victoria's fish populations

Victorians can play a part in boosting fish populations across Victoria, through a new grant program to improve fish habitat in freshwater, marine and estuarine fisheries. The Victorian Fisheries Authority is rolling out the Fish Habitat Improvement Fund: with \$2.5 million in funding provided through the Victorian Government's Go Fishing Victoria plan, recreational fishers and partnering organisations are creating better fish habitat across Victoria's waterways.

The grants program includes two streams of funding: Stream one supports recreational fishing groups to apply for grants of up to \$50,000 to complete small-scale works such as planting native trees and shrubs, weed and erosion control, and fencing on public or private land. These grants will remain open until the funding amount is allocated.

Stream two enables larger-scale project partnerships to restore, recover and rebuild fish populations with up to \$200,000 available and co-investment from funding partners required.

As of August 2024, eight habitat restoration projects have been funded, 3 small-scale and 5 large-scale, totalling \$1.38 million of funding. This includes projects on estuary habitat improvement in the Gippsland Lakes, the installation of woody habitat in the Little Murray, and bank-stabilisation and in-stream habitat works in the Livingstone Creek to support the endangered Macquarie perch. For more information, head to vfa.vic.gov.au/fishhabitatfund



Fish habitat Improvement Fund

What is the Fund?
In 2022, the Victorian Government committed to a \$2.5 million dollars Fish Habitat Improvement Fund to preserve and improve on Victoria's fantastic fisheries. This is a great opportunity for recreational fishers to work together, improve local fisheries and leave a wonderful legacy for the next generation.

There are two ways you can get involved.

Stream 1. Empowering recreational fishers to improve local fish habitat (community led projects up to \$50,000)
These projects will deliver small-scale works to improve local fish habitat works alongside waterways such as native vegetation planting, weed control, erosion control, fencing (to keep livestock out) on public or private land. This stream will help recreational fishers get involved, build capacity and establish partnerships with other fish habitat partners and land managers.







Stream 2. Partnerships to address critical fish habitat priorities: working together to restore, recover and rebuild fish populations (up to \$200,000 over 2 years).
This stream will deliver larger-scale projects involving multiple partners and strong co-investment to restore, recover fish habitat and contribute to rebuilding fish populations. Applicants for this stream will require strong project management capacity, leadership and connections with recreational fishers and other relevant stakeholders.

There are many opportunities across Victoria for improving fish habitat. Here are some examples of state-wide project priorities and opportunities that could be supported through this stream, however if your region has identified other key gaps in fish habitat then we would love to hear from you.

- Habitat Enhancement for threatened species (eg Macquarie Perch and Trout Cod)
- Re-snagging and other physical habitat enhancement in local waterways
- Upper catchment riparian restoration
- Port Philip Bay shellfish reef restoration
- Estuarine fish habitat enhancement
- Seagrass bed preservation, enhancement and recovery
- Removal of barriers critical to threatened fish migration
- Value adding other large scale fish habitat initiatives.
- Empowering recreational fishers and communities to have a lasting capacity in delivering for our fisheries.

Leaving a Habitat Legacy
Whether it's placing habitat, planting trees, keeping livestock out of rivers, removing blackberries or building artificial reefs, this program will create a lasting legacy for future generations of fishers in Victoria, in both the health of our waterways and our fisheries.





Jarrod Bond
Streamline Media

How do I get involved?
Full grant details, assessment and eligibility criteria can be found on the Fish Habitat Improvement Fund website at: www.vfa.vic.gov.au/fishhabitatfund
On the website you will also find a list of key Catchment Management Authority Officers for each region who will be happy to take your call to discuss your habitat idea.
Alternatively, email: fishhabitatfund@vfa.vic.gov.au or call Andrew Briggs on 0427 018 406 for chat about your project.

Waranga Basin gets habitat

Waranga Basin has had a habitat upgrade with the installation of around 80 habitat structures. The habitat structures consist of timber attached to concrete weights (~200kg each) and marked with navigation buoys. The timber was recycled (sourced) from nearby government funded road/rail projects.

The structures will be deployed on the eastern side of the basin.

Waranga Basin is popular with many on-water users and this investment will only help in raising the recreational value of this waterbody.

The work is a collaborative effort between BBV, Goulburn-Murray Water, Campaspe Shire, and the Goulburn Valley Association of Angling Clubs. Funding was sourced from the Recreational Fishing License Grant Program.

The VFA will assist in the overall project by stocking the system with 750,000 golden perch over the next three years.



Catfish on the Come Back!

Tandanus catfish are listed as a threatened native fish species and the VFA is committed to re-establishing more populations of the species and bringing them back in abundance.

For two years running, VFA has teamed up with five angling clubs from the Casterton Angling Society and the Glenelg Hopkins CMA to catch Tandanus catfish on the Glenelg River and release them multiple waters from north-west to north-east Victoria.

The initiative is a collaboration between 16 partners including recreational fishing clubs, Traditional Owner groups and fisheries and catchment management authorities to help recover catfish by re-establishing more populations of the species.

Recreational fishers from the Casterton Angling Society, including Casterton, Balmoral, Dartmoor and Merino Angling Clubs caught the catfish over the two-day event, supported by funding from the Murray-Darling Basin Authority - Native Fish Recovery Strategy.

Over 300 mature Tandanus catfish (most 40-55cm) have been caught by recreational anglers participating in the fishing competitions. Catfish are not endemic to the Glenelg River but given their strong numbers in the system and confirmed suitable genetics, they are serving as a useful surrogate population to help rebuild populations in their natural range within the Murray-Darling Basin.

The catfish have been transported by VFA staff north to the Murray-Darling Basin create new populations and boost existing populations including those impacted by the flooding, low dissolved oxygen water levels, and fish deaths in Spring 2022. Catfish have been released into the Little Murray River near Lake Boga, Campaspe River near Rochester, Broken Creek near Nathalia, Harcourt Park Reservoir in Bendigo, Lake Sambell in Beechworth and Mullinmur Lagoon in Wangaratta.

In addition to catfish, anglers removed hundreds of carp from the Glenelg River and caught and released large numbers of estuary perch, blackfish and tupong.

The catfish translocations contribute to the 10inTen initiative and the VFA's Conservation Hatchery which aims to restock and recover at least 10 threatened species in ten years.



Trout cod populations have been bolstered

Trout cod populations have been bolstered through the establishment of new populations by fish stocking and translocation.

Firstly, 44,900 trout cod fingerlings were stocked into four waters, including two first-time stockings to establish new populations in the Corryong-Jerimal Creek and the King River.

Secondly, mature trout cod have been captured from lakes Sambell and Kerferd near Beechworth and translocated to the Upper Goulburn River, upstream of Jamieson. Arthur Rylah Institute Scientists worked alongside VFA staff and intensively surveyed lakes Sambell and Kerferd to catch the trout cod using electrofishing, fyke netting and mesh netting methods. The trout cod were transported to the Upper Goulburn River where they were inserted with acoustic tags prior to release so their survival and movement can be monitored.

Trout cod were historically present in the Upper Goulburn River and the translocation to kickstart re-establishing the population will be complemented with the stocking of fingerling trout cod this summer. By re-establishing populations of trout cod, we move closer to downlisting the species and recovering them as a recreational fish species once more – the ultimate goal of the national trout cod recovery plan.



Women in Recreational Fishing and Boating

The Women in Recreational Fishing and Boating (WIRFAB) Network started with humble beginnings responding to a survey conducted in 2017 which identified a need for a supportive space for women to share knowledge, stories and skills about fishing.

Since being established as the Women in Recreational Fishing (WIRF) Network on International Women's Day in 2018, our community has grown rapidly. In March 2023, the network expanded to become the WIRFAB Network to acknowledge and support women in recreational boating. The network includes beginners to experts and provides a welcoming place to share stories, experiences, and tips.

The community is keen to grow their fishing knowledge through fishing clinics, boat handling/trailer reversing clinics, virtual information sessions, leadership programs, a conference and a dedicated website that is continually updated with resources. The WIRFAB Network will continue to empower and inspire more women to engage in these outdoor activities and pursue career pathways in the fishing and boating sectors.

WIRFAB Network achievements so far...

Over the first five years, the WIRFAB Network has grown and now includes:

- A dedicated online community – Facebook group (Women in Rec Fishing and Boating online community) and a website (wirfab.com.au)
- A broader social media presence, particularly on Facebook and Instagram, that provides information to everyone across Victoria and further afield.
- The community-based “WIRFAB Locals” program where people can meet up and go fishing together and that is currently active in 5 areas - Bass Coast/Gippsland, Metro, North East, Mornington and Geelong/Surf Coast/Bellarine.
- An annual “WIRFAB Leadership Program” that has resulted in 42 Victorian women taking up professional development opportunities and advancing their leadership skills, then going on to represent the VFA and WIRFAB at industry events and advocating for female fishers and boaters needs. Some participants have also gained careers in the industry, including representing women in popular fishing media and working in tackle stores.
- A variety of events held across Victoria each year to improve female inclusion and to provide a platform for female fishers and boaters to be heard.

WIRFAB by the numbers

- **4,300+** members in the WIRFAB Facebook group
- **1,400+** followers on Instagram
- **300** participants in the WIRFAB Locals program
- **42** Victorian women have accessed the WIRFAB Leadership Program
- **120** attendees at the inaugural WIRFAB conference
- **100** other WIRFAB learning and networking events

Better Boating Victoria

Better Boating Victoria (BBV) was launched in 2018 to deliver on the Government's commitment to make it safer, cheaper, and easier for boaters and fishers to get out on the water.

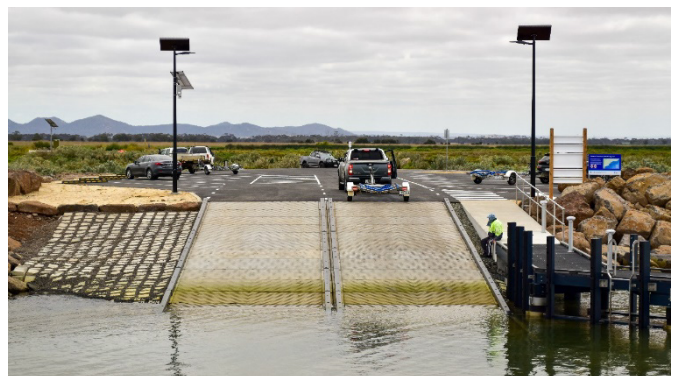
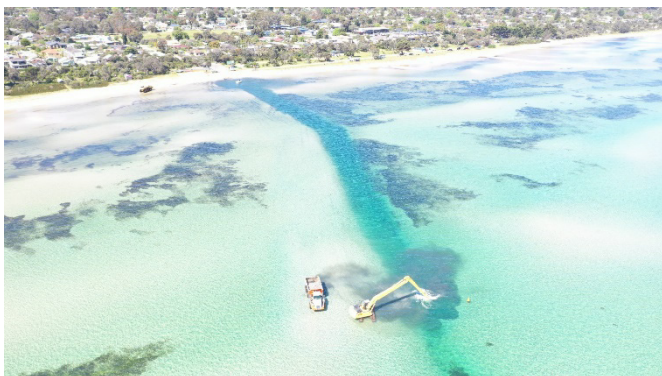
Since becoming part of the Victorian Fisheries Authority in February 2021, BBV operates under two main mandates:

1. Reinvestment of Fees
 - All boating license and registration fees are reinvested into boating safety and facility improvements.
2. Delivery of the Victorian Recreational Boating Strategy 2021-30 and annual Action Plans, which include:
 - **Boat Ramp Upgrades:** Developing future boat ramp projects by commissioning concept designs and subsequent construction for locations like Tooradin, St Leonards, Schnapper Point, Howqua and Redcliffs.
 - **Facility Maintenance:** Enhancing maintenance and support for public boating facilities.
 - **Water Access:** Improving water access through dredging and ensuring facilities are accessible to all.
 - **Safety and Rescue:** Continuing support for boating safety and marine search and rescue operations.

Key Progress Highlights from last year:

- **Kirk Point**
Gone is the exposed old single-lane ramp at Kirk Point – now there's a double-lane concrete ramp with a jetty, breakwall and more parking.
- **Cowes**
The \$2.8m project to lengthen and raise the ramp and extend the jetty is finished and boaters can take advantage of the facility, with the longer jetty and ramp providing access to deeper water on either side of high tide. A Boating Vic camera is now live, so boaters can check the ramp and conditions before leaving home via the free Boating Vic app.
- **Limeburners Point**
A new parking area at Limeburners boat ramp in Geelong is open and has transformed the old overflow area. To boost capacity, the gravel overflow parking has been formalised and extended to include 56 more boat and trailer parks at the popular boat ramp.
- **Avalon**
The upgraded Avalon boat ramp is now open, providing improved access to Port Phillip and Corio Bay. Enhancements include the reconstruction and extension of 2 jetties, with added wave screens for better protection, and the redevelopment of an overflow parking area to add 25 new car and trailer spaces, increasing the total parking capacity to 36 spaces.

To learn more about the Recreational Boating Action Plan 2023-24 head to www.betterboating.vic.gov.au.



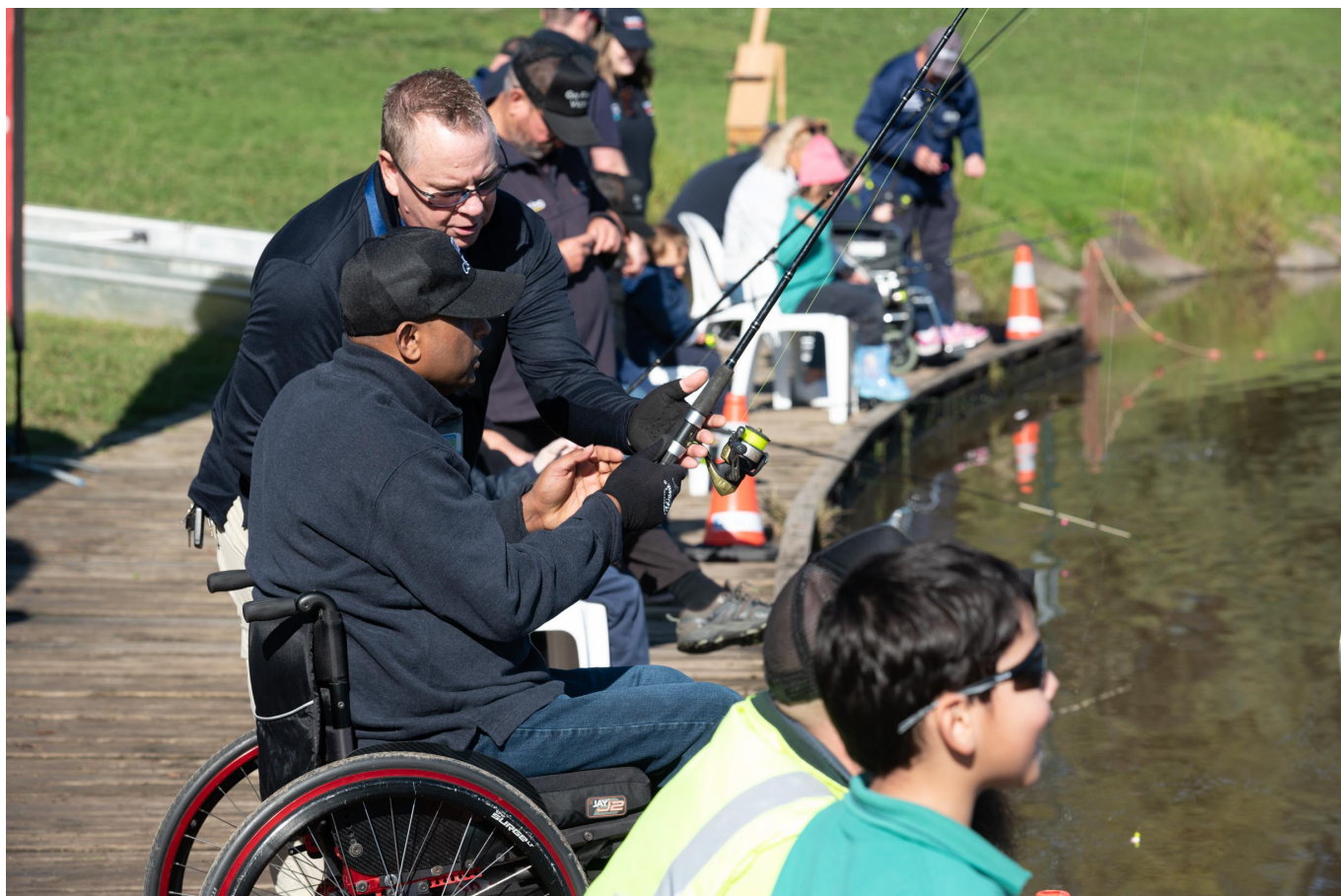
VicFishKids Events

The enormously popular 'VicFishKids' clinics have continued to introduce young anglers to the sport of fishing. Victorian Fisheries Authority (VFA) staff join volunteers from Fishcare Victoria and local angling clubs to lead the free clinics and teach kids the ins and outs of fishing. They'll learn how to cast, tie knots, rig up basic tackle and the steps to follow when they reel in a catch.

Hosted at local piers and jetties, the fishing clinic locations are perfect for beginners as they provide accessible and repeatable fishing opportunities, while giving kids the chance to catch a wide variety of popular species like snapper, flathead, garfish and calamari.

Free rods and reels are supplied at the fishing clinics to encourage kids to keep practicing at their local pier or jetty with family and friends.

The events provide plenty to see and do for the whole family, and all VicFishKids events are free but bookings are essential. To find out more and to book a spot, visit <https://vfa.vic.gov.au/recreational-fishing/events/vicfishkids>



Conservation Hatchery Open

The VFA's new Conservation Hatchery at Snobs Creek near Eildon, is purpose-built to breed, restock and recover threatened freshwater species in south-eastern Australia.

Equipped with state-of-the-art technology, the facility allows for monitoring and control of water and air temperature, light intensity and photoperiod, flow patterns, and automated feeding equipment. With such a diverse range of species requiring a wide range of environmental conditions our hatchery has been designed and built like no other. It gives us flexibility and precision required to care and breed this wide range of species. The facility boasts 4 isolated rack rooms, 4 recirculating aquaculture systems, live feed room and water quality and fish health laboratory.

Some of the species currently in the hatchery include multiple mountain Galaxias species (*Galaxias spp.*), Glenelg freshwater mussel (*Hyridella glenelgensis*), South-Gippsland spiny crayfish (*Euastacus neodiversus*), Freshwater blackfish species (*Gadopsis spp.*) and Southern purple spotted gudgeon (*Mogurnda adspersa*).

Funding to build Conservation Hatchery was provided by our project partners at the Department of Energy, Environment and Climate Action (DEECA), Victorian Environmental Water Holder and the Commonwealth Government (DCCEEW).

As the only aquatic conservation hatchery of its kind in Australia, it provides our expert Snobs Creek hatchery staff, alongside research institutes, Traditional Owners, and industry partners, the means to improve the genetic diversity of species whose ranges have historically declined.

The hatchery, which opened its doors in May 2024, is a key component of the "10inTen plan", a collaboration with our research partners at the Arthur Rylah Institute (ARI, DEECA). 10inTen aims to reduce the risk of extinction for our threatened species, by establishing new populations of at least ten threatened species in as many years.





These breeding and re-introduction efforts strengthen populations for greater stability of target species in the face of climate change. The facility will also allow for ex-situ management of some of Australia's most threatened animals, further guarding against catastrophic events such as fire or flooding. They complement broader river and wetland rehabilitation initiatives, including revegetation and the securing of environmental water.

Some of the success stories from the hatchery so far include the breeding and release of over 2280 individuals since December last year

- 300 Murray spiny crayfish stocked between the Little Murray and Lower Goulburn
- 200 southern purple spotted gudgeon stocked across the Goulburn Broken and Wimmera CMA
- 1400 olive perchlet into Aquaculture facilities in Gippsland and Mildura
- 240 olive perchlet stocked across the North Central and Wimmera CMA
- 40 Southern Pygmy perch into the Goulburn Broken CMA

The Conservation Hatchery will facilitate the collection of data on species which have no prior history of captive breeding. Husbandry manuals are formed from this data and shared with other Government agencies, researchers or Traditional Owners looking to establish populations of these same species for conservation.

The Conservation Hatchery strengthens the position of the VFA's Snobs Creek hatchery site as a global leader in fish husbandry and conservation.

Fishing Festivals at Eildon (Goulburn) and Ballarat

These festivals are a celebration of fishing and offer something for every angler no-matter their experience level.

Ballarat

The Ballarat Festival offered free fishing clinics teach the next generation of anglers how to cast, bait up and net a fish, with bait and tackle provided and experienced instructors on hand from the Victorian Fisheries Authority (VFA) and Fishcare. Every pre-registered child was also gifted a free fishing rod.

Fly casting lessons from the Ballarat Fly Fishers, gave the more experienced fishers the opportunity to take their skills to the next level and they also taught how to tie fur and feather to imitate local insects and tempt trout.

Members of the Ballarat and District Angling Association displayed their boats and fishing gear and were joined by the Women in Recreational Fishing and Boating Network. Live trout from VFAs Snobs Creek hatchery were a highlight for kids, who helped stock hundreds of them into Lake Wendouree. Attendees were able to watch cooking demonstrations by chefs using Victorian-grown rainbow trout, now widely available at supermarkets.

There was also face painting, games and a fishing simulator for children, free tours of the Ballarat Fish Hatchery, and Waterwatch exploring the extraordinary world of aquatic bugs.

For more information about the day visit <https://vfa.vic.gov.au/recreational-fishing/events>

Eildon (Goulburn)

The Goulburn Festival held at Eildon Pondage celebrated the trout rivers opening and visitors had the chance to share in 2000 massive 'stonker' rainbow trout up to 5kg, that were stocked at numerous sites for trout opening. The Goulburn festival had market stalls, spinning prizes and live entertainers, plaster arts painting, games run by our education team and face painting, kids fishing classes with bait and tackle provided, tours of the Snobs Creek hatchery, the chance to help stock the pondage with trout, and there were fisheries officers on hand to answer any questions. A fireworks display over the pondage finished the day.

For more information [visit https://vfa.vic.gov.au/recreational-fishing/events](https://vfa.vic.gov.au/recreational-fishing/events)



Snobs Creek Open Day

This annual event, normally held at the start of May, is an exclusive opportunity to tour the Snobs Creek hatchery, which is usually closed to the public.

The open day has dedicated experts on hand to guide visitor through this special place while answering any questions about the growing and stocking of trout and native fish species all across Victoria.

There are a range of activities for the whole family, including guided tours of the Snobs Creek hatchery, short films about the hatchery, kids educational activities, virtual reality fishing experience, experts on hand to answer your fishy questions, stocking truck display and giveaways.



Rocklands Metery Competition

To celebrate the success of the record-breaking fish stocking effort at Rocklands Reservoir, the VFA is offering a \$1000 tackle prize to the first person who catches a metre Murray cod there.

VFA have stocked over 2.7 million cod and nearly 1.5 million golden perch into Rocklands since 2017 and lots of those have grown up and are now getting caught.

The Rockland Metery Competition opened on 28 November 2023 and this competition will run until someone lands the metery! There is no closed season for Murray cod at Rocklands so cod fishing is allowed 12 months a year

The lucky angler who takes out the prize can spend their winnings at one of several Wimmera fishing tackle shops.

It is acknowledged that the winning cod is bigger than the slot limit of 55-75cm so it is important to read the terms and conditions about how we'd like anglers to measure the metery whilst Caring for Cod, taking photos and submitting their claim.

For more information about the competition, contact craig.ingram@vfa.vic.gov.au



Hooked On' Events running strong

The annual 'Hooked On' events are going from strength to strength. Three annual family-friendly events are held across the year at Portarlington, Portland and Lakes Entrance. These events showcase fresh fish caught by commercial fishers, other delicious local produce and sensational fishing in each of these destinations.

- Local seafood produce, delicious seafood options, cooking demonstrations and a wealth of information showcasing Victoria's seafood and Victorian aquaculture and marine fisheries are featured.
- Vic Fish Kids clinics and fishing skill-based clinics run by Fishcare and angling clubs. WIRFAB Leaders are on hand to provide information and encouragement for ladies of all ages and abilities to give fishing a go.
- Other features include: Boating Safety and Trailor Backing clinics run by Better Boating Victoria. A Kids zone offering fish themed activities, roving performers including VFA mascots, a range of pop up market stalls supporting local produce and other event attractions.



Your licence fees at work to improve recreational fishing

Every year the revenue that is collected from the sale of Recreational Fishing Licences is paid into the Recreational Fishing Licence (RFL) Trust Account, and the funds are then used for projects and activities that improve recreational fishing in Victoria in many ways.



About \$8 million of fishing licence fees is reinvested each year into programs that improve fishing for all Victorians. From fish stocking to extra fisheries officers, programs to improve facilities and fish habitat and educating fishers through Fishcare, your licence fees are hard at work to safeguard Victoria's fisheries for the future.

Fish stocking

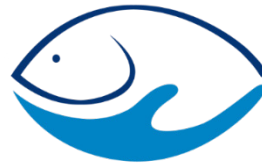
Your licence fees contribute significantly to the delivery of the recreational fisheries state-wide stocking program. They are used to operate the fish hatchery at Snobs Creek and Arcadia, meet costs associated with the delivery of fish across the state and for the purchase of additional fish from private hatcheries.

Recreational fishers across the state benefit from these stockings, which include huge numbers of Murray cod and golden perch released into iconic waters such as the Goulburn River, Lake Eildon, Lake Eppalock, Rocklands Reservoir, and brown trout and chinook salmon into the renowned crater lakes, Bullen Merri and Purumbete.



Fishcare

Fishcare Victoria is a community based not-for-profit organisation promoting responsible and sustainable fishing practices. Whether through their new 'Get Hooked On Fishing' app, through their extensive school education programs, or at a range of events held across the state, Fishcare provides valuable education to inspire the next generation of fishers.



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Recreational Fishing Grants Program

The Recreational Fishing Grants program allows a wide range of organisations and community groups to put licence fees to work on projects to improve fishing in their local area. Whether it's instream habitat, upgraded facilities, research projects or providing more fishing information, the grants program funds this vital work.

VRFish

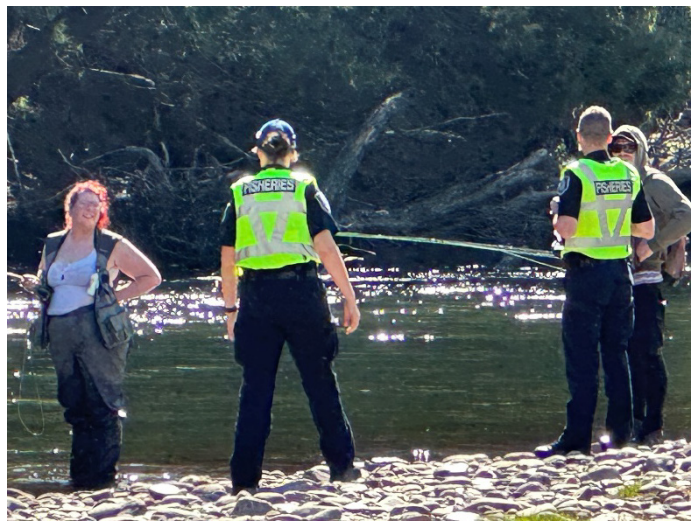
Recreational fishing advocacy body VRFish is supported through your fishing licence fees and provides a strong voice supporting recreational fishers (www.vrfish.org.au)

Education and Enforcement

Fishing licence fees support the education of fishers and the enforcement of Fisheries Regulations through funding 13 extra Fisheries Officers to ensure everyone is doing the right thing. Fisheries Officers are based in locations across the state and make sure fishers are complying with regulations when wetting a line, whether chasing trout in a mountain stream or offshore targeting a monster tuna.

Sales commission

A portion of your fishing licence fees goes back to businesses who sell fishing licences over the counter.



Recreational Fishing Grants Program

Every year the Victorian Government provides revenue from the sale of recreational fishing licences to projects that improve recreational fishing, through the Recreational Fishing Licence (RFL) Trust Account

Since its inception in 2001, the Recreational Fishing Grants Program (RFGP) has funded over 600 projects, worth more than \$23 million, to help improve recreational fishing and facilities throughout Victoria. The RFGP comprises three separate programs including:

- A [Small Grants Program](#) that is continually open to fund small projects (up to \$5,000 - GST Exclusive)
- An [Intermediate Grants Program](#) that is continually open to applications from angling clubs and associations and not-for-profit community groups (\$5,000 - \$50,000 GST Exclusive)
- A [Large Grants Program](#) (for projects from \$5,001 to \$100,000 - GST Exclusive)
- A Commissioning Program* for large priority projects (generally in excess of \$100,000).

For more information on RFGP activities or details on how to access these grants (applications), please visit:

www.vfa.vic.gov.au/recreational-fishing/recreational-fishing-grants-program

Note. Commissioning Program grants are to fund internal guided programs that benefit recreational users.

Each year funds from the Recreational Fishing Licence Trust Account are also disbursed to fund a number of projects.

Victorian Fisheries Authority contacts

For inland fisheries management assistance:

Acting Manager of Recreational Fishing:
Taylor Hunt 03 5258 0256

Freshwater fisheries management and stocking enquiries:
Mark Adams 0498 400 422
mark.adams@vfa.vic.gov.au

For compliance assistance:

To report fisheries offences, call 13 FISH (☎13 3474).

For general enquiries:

Call the Customer Service Centre on 136 186
or visit www.vfa.vic.gov.au

Report illegal fishing call 13 FISH (☎13 3474)

Helpful information includes:

- ◆ Time and date of activity
- ◆ Vehicle/boat registration
- ◆ Place
- ◆ Activity
- ◆ Number of people involved
- ◆ Equipment

Information provided will assist in planning patrols and enforcement operations when no immediate field response is possible.

Appendix 1 – Proposed fish stockings

Using the Tables

The following tables present a summary of 2024 fish stocking consultation.

Annual stocking refers to the on-going stocking program where waters are stocked with the fish each year. These stockings will continue each year unless altered at the Vic Fish Stock meetings or there is insufficient water to stock fish, or some other unforeseen reason.

School holiday stockings refer to the stocking of ready to catch on-grown rainbow trout into small waters prior to selected school holidays.

Appendix 2 – Stocking Submission Check list

The following is a check list of information that you could include in a submission to the stocking program. These suggestions are not mandatory but will assist in the assessment of any proposals if included and addressed. Proposals can be discussed by contacting Mark Adams, Fisheries Management Engagement Officer, Victorian Fisheries Authority, mark.adams@vfa.vic.gov.au, or with your local Fisheries Officer.

Name of Water:	<input type="checkbox"/>
Fish Species:	<input type="checkbox"/>
Suggested change:	<input type="checkbox"/>
Justification for the suggestion: Why is it needed? What is the expected outcome?	<input type="checkbox"/>
Your name and/or organisation:	<input type="checkbox"/>
Affiliation with angling club(s) (if appropriate):	<input type="checkbox"/>
Have you discussed the suggestion with Victorian Fisheries Authority, an angling club or association?	<input type="checkbox"/>
Have you checked the suggestion against Victorian Fisheries Authority's stocking policy criteria?	<input type="checkbox"/>
Will the suggested change:	
Maximise the returns to recreational anglers;	<input type="checkbox"/>
Create public value;	<input type="checkbox"/>
Enhance and support natural recruitment;	<input type="checkbox"/>
Be consistent with the translocation protocols and guidelines;	<input type="checkbox"/>
Provide for equitable access for a range of stakeholders;	<input type="checkbox"/>
Satisfy cost-benefit analysis; and	<input type="checkbox"/>
Consider long-term sustainable management strategies.	<input type="checkbox"/>
Are suitable receiving waters for the species to be stocked?	<input type="checkbox"/>
Is there evidence that self-sustaining populations do not exist or that they should be augmented for recreational fishing purposes?	<input type="checkbox"/>

Barwon South West and Grampians

Water	Species	Stocking schedule	Type	Fish size	2024	Comments
Alexandra Lake (Ararat)	Rainbow trout	Two per year	Family Fishing	on grown 180 grams	600	300 each stocking
Aringa Reservoir (Port Fairy)	Brown trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 20-40 grams	1,000	
Aringa Reservoir (Port Fairy)	Rainbow trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 20-40 grams	1,000	
Bannockburn Lagoon (Bannockburn)	Rainbow trout	Two per year	Family Fishing	on grown 180 grams	600	300 each stocking
Barwon River (Winchelsea to Geelong)	Estuary perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	70,000	
Beaufort Lake (Beaufort)	Brown trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 20-40 grams	1,000	
Beaufort Lake (Beaufort)	Rainbow trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 20-40 grams	1,500	
Bellfield Reservoir (Halls Gap)	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	100,000	
Bellfield Reservoir (Halls Gap)	Murray cod	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	50,000	
Bellfield Reservoir (Halls Gap)	Brown trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 20-40 grams	10,000	
Bellfield Reservoir (Halls Gap)	Rainbow trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 20-40 grams	20,000	
Bolac Lake (Lake Bolac)	Rainbow trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 20-40 grams	6,000	
Bostock Reservoir (Ballan)	Brown trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 20-40 grams	2,500	
Bostock Reservoir (Ballan)	Rainbow trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 20-40 grams	7,000	
Boyd's Waters (Geelong)	Rainbow trout	Annual stocking	Family Fishing	on grown 180 grams	400	400 each stocking
Bringalbert Lake (Bringalbert)	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	5,000	
Broughtons Waterhole Wildlife Reserve (Edenhope)	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	2,000	
Bullarto Reservoir (Bullarto)	Brown trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 20-40 grams	500	

	Barwon Grampians						
	Water	Species	Stocking schedule	Type	Fish size	2024	Comments
Gippsland	Bullarto Reservoir (Bullarto)	Rainbow trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 20-40 grams	1,000	
	Bullen Merri Lake (Camperdown)	Australian Bass	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	10,000	
	Bullen Merri Lake (Camperdown)	Chinook salmon	Annual stocking		fingerlings 2-10 grams	50,000	
	Bullen Merri Lake (Camperdown)	Rainbow trout	Annual stocking		fingerlings 2-10g	15,000	
	Bullen Merri Lake (Camperdown)	Tiger trout	Annual stocking		yearlings ~50 grams	4,000	
	Bullen Merri Lake (Camperdown)	Brown trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 20-40 grams	10,000	
	Bullen Merri Lake (Camperdown)	Rainbow trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 20-40 grams	10,000	
Hume	Burrumbeet (Ballarat)	Rainbow trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 20-40 grams	10,000	
	Calembreen Lake (Creswick)	Rainbow trout	Two per year	Family Fishing	on grown 180 grams	400	200 each stocking
	Carpolac Lake (Carpolac)	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	5,000	
	Cartcarrong Lake (Winslow)	Brown trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 20-40 grams	1,500	
	Cartcarrong Lake (Winslow)	Rainbow trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 20-40 grams	2,000	
	Cato Lake (Stawell)	Rainbow trout	Two per year	Family Fishing	on grown 180 grams	600	300 each stocking
	Charlegrark Lake (Booroopki)	Murray cod	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	5,000	
Loddon Mallee	Cobden Lake (Cobden)	Rainbow trout	Three per year	Family Fishing	on grown 180 grams	600	200 each stocking
	Colac Lake (Colac)	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	5,000	
	Colac Lake (Colac)	Rainbow trout	April-June	Family Fishing	on grown 180 grams	500	
	Coleraine Lagoon (Coleraine)	Rainbow trout	Two per year	Family Fishing	on grown 180 grams	600	300 each stocking
	Collins Lake (Edenhope)	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	2,000	
	Cosgrave Reservoir (Creswick)	Brown trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 20-40 grams	1,000	
	Cosgrave Reservoir (Creswick)	Rainbow trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 20-40 grams	1,000	
Port Phillip							

Water	Species	Stocking schedule	Type	Fish size	2024	Comments
Dean Reservoir (Dean)	Brown trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 20-40 grams	500	
Dean Reservoir (Dean)	Rainbow trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 20-40 grams	1,000	
Deep Lake (Derrinallum)	Brown trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 20-40 grams	1,000	
Deep Lake (Derrinallum)	Rainbow trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 20-40 grams	1,000	
Dewar Lake (Myrniong)	Rainbow trout	Once off stocking	Family Fishing	on grown 180 grams	500	Private water, submission from Fishcare, for disadvantaged kids and adults
Dock Lake (Horsham)	Rainbow trout	Once off stocking		yearlings 20-40 grams	5,000	
Dunkeld Arboretum (Dunkeld)	Estuary perch	Initial stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	5,000	
Dunkeld Arboretum (Dunkeld)	Rainbow trout	Two per year	Family Fishing	on grown 180 grams	400	200 each stocking
Elingamite Lake (Cobden)	Australian Bass	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	15,000	
Elingamite Lake (Cobden)	Brown trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 20-40 grams	2,000	
Elingamite Lake (Cobden)	Rainbow trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 20-40 grams	1,500	
Esmond Lake (Ballarat)	Rainbow trout	Two per year	Family Fishing	on grown 180 grams	500	250 each stocking
Ess Lagoon (Casterton)	Rainbow trout	Two per year	Family Fishing	on grown 180 grams	1,000	500 each stocking
Fyans Lake (Halls Gap)	Brown trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 50 grams+	6,000	Larger trout trial (60% of planned 20-40g yearlings with 50g+ yearlings)
Fyans Lake (Halls Gap)	Rainbow trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 50 grams+	12,000	Larger trout trial (60% of planned 20-40g yearlings with 50g+ yearlings)
Gilleard Lake (Allansford)	Brown trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 20-40 grams	1,000	
Gilleard Lake (Allansford)	Rainbow trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 20-40 grams	1,500	
Glenlyon Dam (Glenlyon)	Rainbow trout	Two per year	Family Fishing	on grown 180 grams	400	200 each stocking
Great Western Racing Recreation Reserve Lake (Great Western)	Rainbow trout	Annual stocking	Family Fishing	on grown 180 grams	200	200 each stocking

	Water	Species	Stocking schedule	Type	Fish size	2024	Comments
Barwon Grampians	Green Hill Lake (Ararat)	Brown trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 20-40 grams	2,000	
	Green Hill Lake (Ararat)	Rainbow trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 20-40 grams	4,000	
	Green Lake (Horsham)	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	20,000	
	Green Lake (Horsham)	Murray cod	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	10,000	
Gippsland	Haddon Reservoir (Haddon)	Rainbow trout	Two per year	Family Fishing	on grown 180 grams	400	200 each stocking
	Hamilton Lake (Hamilton)	Brown trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 20-40 grams	2,000	
	Hamilton Lake (Hamilton)	Rainbow trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 20-40 grams	4,000	
	Hepburn Lagoon (Newlyn)	Brown trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 20-40 grams	5,000	
Hume	Hepburn Lagoon (Newlyn)	Rainbow trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 20-40 grams	5,000	
	Hopkins River (Kent Ford Road Bridge to the Junction with the Mount Emu Creek)	Brown trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 20-40 grams	10,000	
	Jack Emmett Lagoon (Rupanyup)	Rainbow trout	Annual stocking	Family Fishing	on grown 180 grams	350	350 each stocking
	Jubilee Lake (Daylesford)	Rainbow trout	Two per year	Family Fishing	on grown 180 grams	400	200 each stocking
Loddon Mallee	Jubilee Lake (Skipton)	Rainbow trout	Two per year	Family Fishing	on grown 180 grams	400	200 each stocking
	Konong Wootong Reservoir (Konong Wootong)	Brown trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 20-40 grams	2,000	
	Konong Wootong Reservoir (Konong Wootong)	Rainbow trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 20-40 grams	3,000	
	Lakers Cutting (Point Lonsdale)	Estuary perch	Periodic stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	15,000	
Port Phillip	Lascelles Lake (Hopetoun)	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	15,000	
	Lascelles Lake (Hopetoun)	Silver perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	20,000	
	Learmonth (Learmonth)	Rainbow trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 20-40 grams	2,000	

Water	Species	Stocking schedule	Type	Fish size	2024	Comments
Lethbridge Lake (Lethbridge)	Rainbow trout	Two per year	Family Fishing	on grown 180 grams	600	300 each stocking
Lismore Golf Club Lake (Lismore)	Rainbow trout	Annual stocking	Family Fishing	on grown 180 grams	400	200 each stocking
Marma Lake (Murtoa)	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	4,000	
Marma Lake (Murtoa)	Rainbow trout	Two per year	Family Fishing	on grown 180 grams	700	350 each stocking
Merri River (Grassmere to Dennington)	Brown trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 20-40 grams	5,000	
Merri River (Grassmere to Dennington)	Brown trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 20-40 grams	2,000	
Miga Lake (Miga)	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	5,000	
Minyip Wetlands (Minyip)	Rainbow trout	Annual stocking	Family Fishing	on grown 180 grams	200	200 each stocking
Moorabool Reservoir (Bolwarrah)	Brown trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 50 grams+	6,000	Larger trout trial (60% of planned 20-40g yearlings with 50g+ yearlings)
Moorabool Reservoir (Bolwarrah)	Rainbow trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 50 grams+	4,800	Larger trout trial (60% of planned 20-40g yearlings with 50g+ yearlings)
Mount Emu Creek (Skipton to Panmure)	Brown trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 20-40 grams	5,000	
Moyne River (Rosebrook to Toolong North)	Estuary perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	10,000	New water - requires TEP
Moyne River (Rosebrook to Toolong North)	Brown trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 20-40 grams	2,000	
Newlyn Reservoir (Newlyn)	Brown trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 20-40 grams	10,000	
Nhill Lake (Nhill)	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	5,000	
Nhill Lake (Nhill)	Silver perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	5,000	
Nhill Lake (Nhill)	Rainbow trout	Annual stocking	Family Fishing	on grown 180 grams	200	200 each stocking
Old Hamilton Reservoir (Hamilton)	Rainbow trout	Two per year	Family Fishing	on grown 180 grams	400	200 each stocking
Painkalac Reservoir (Airey's Inlet)	Estuary perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	10,000	
Pertobe Lake (Warrnambool)	Rainbow trout	Two per year	Family Fishing	on grown 180 grams	900	450 each stocking

	Water	Species	Stocking schedule	Type	Fish size	2024	Comments
Barwon Grampians	Pertobe Lake (Warrnambool)	Rainbow trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 20-40 grams	2,000	
	Police Paddock Dams (Horsham)	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	3,000	
	Police Paddock Dams (Horsham)	Silver perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	3,000	
Gippsland	Police Paddock Dams (Horsham)	Rainbow trout	Three per year	Family Fishing	on grown 180 grams	900	300 each stocking
	Purrumbete Lake (Camperdown)	Chinook salmon	Annual stocking		fingerlings 2-10 grams	20,000	
	Purrumbete Lake (Camperdown)	Chinook salmon	Annual stocking		yearlings ~50 grams	20,000	
	Purrumbete Lake (Camperdown)	Tiger trout	Annual stocking		yearlings ~50 grams	6,000	
	Purrumbete Lake (Camperdown)	Brown trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 20-40 grams	10,000	
	Purrumbete Lake (Camperdown)	Rainbow trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 20-40 grams	10,000	
	Pykes Creek Reservoir (Ballan)	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	10,000	
	Pykes Creek Reservoir (Ballan)	Murray cod	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	10,000	
	Pykes Creek Reservoir (Ballan)	Brown trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 20-40 grams	10,000	
	Pykes Creek Reservoir (Ballan)	Rainbow trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 20-40 grams	10,000	
Hume	Quarry Street Reserve Lake (Trentham)	Rainbow trout	Annual stocking	Family Fishing	on grown 180 grams	200	200 each stocking
	Rainbow Lake (Rainbow)	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	2,500	
	Rainbow Lake (Rainbow)	Silver perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	2,500	
Loddon Mallee	Rainbow Lake (Rainbow)	Rainbow Trout	Two per year	Family Fishing	on grown 180 grams	400	200 each stocking
	Ratzcastle Lake (Kangawall)	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	5,000	
	Rocklands Reservoir (Balmoral)	Estuary Perch	Periodic stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	50,000	
	Rocklands Reservoir (Balmoral)	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	500,000	
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Rocklands Reservoir (Balmoral)	Murray cod	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	500,000	
Saint Augustines Water Hole (Geelong)	Rainbow trout	Two per year	Family Fishing	on grown 180 grams	1,500	750 each stocking
Simpson Recreation Reserve Lakes (Simpson)	Rainbow trout	Three per year	Family Fishing	on grown 180 grams	600	200 each stocking
St Georges Lake (Creswick)	Rainbow trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 20-40 grams	200	100 each stocking
St Georges Lake (Creswick)	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	1,000	
St Georges Lake (Creswick)	Brown trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 20-40 grams	1,000	
St Georges Dam (Stawell)	Rainbow trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 20-40 grams	1,000	
Taylors Lake (Horsham)	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	100,000	
Taylors Lake (Horsham)	Murray cod	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	40,000	
Tea Tree Lake (Mortlake)	Rainbow trout	Two per year	Family Fishing	on grown 180 grams	600	300 each stocking
The Gong (Bunningyong)	Rainbow trout	Two per year	Family Fishing	on grown 180 grams	400	200 each stocking
Tooliorook Lake (Lismore)	Brown trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 20-40 grams	5,000	Stocking dependent on sufficient water levels to support fish for 2 years
Tooliorook Lake (Lismore)	Rainbow trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 20-40 grams	5,000	Stocking dependent on sufficient water levels to support fish for 2 years
Toolondo Reservoir (Toolondo)	Brown trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 120 grams	20,000	Stocking dependent on sufficient water levels to support fish for 2 years
Toolondo Reservoir (Toolondo)	Rainbow trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 20-40 grams	10,000	Stocking dependent on sufficient water levels to support fish for 2 years
Upper Stoney Creek Reservoir (Durdidwarrah)	Estuary perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	25,000	
Upper Stoney Creek Reservoir (Durdidwarrah)	Brown trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 20-40 grams	10,000	
Upper Stoney Creek Reservoir (Durdidwarrah)	Rainbow trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 20-40 grams	30,000	
Victoria Lakes (Ballarat)	Rainbow trout	Two per year	Family Fishing	on grown 180 grams	1,000	500 each stocking

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Barwon Grampians	Wallace Lake (Edenhope)	Brown trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 20-40 grams	2,000	
	Wallace Lake (Edenhope)	Rainbow trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 20-40 grams	4,000	
	Wartook Lake (Halls Gap)	Brown trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 20-40 grams	15,000	
	Wartook Lake (Halls Gap)	Rainbow trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 20-40 grams	10,000	
Gippsland	Wendouree Lake (Ballarat)	Brown trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 50 grams+	7,200	Larger trout trial (60% of planned 20-40g yearlings with 50g+ yearlings) - also receives 6,000 50G+ BT from Ballarat Hatchery
	Wendouree Lake (Ballarat)	Rainbow trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 50 grams+	6,000	Larger trout trial (60% of planned 20-40g yearlings with 50g+ yearlings)
	West Barwon Dam (Forrest)	Brown trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 20-40 grams	5,000	
	West Barwon Dam (Forrest)	Rainbow trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 20-40 grams	5,000	
	Willow Lake (Hopetoun)	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	5,000	
	Willow Lake (Hopetoun)	Murray cod	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	2,000	
Hume	Willow Lake (Hopetoun)	Silver perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	5,000	
	Wimmera River (Jeparit to Elmhurst)	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	300,000	
	Wimmera River (Jeparit to Horsham)	Murray cod	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	10,000	
	Wimmera River (Jeparit to Horsham)	Silver perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	50,000	
Loddon Mallee	Wombat Reservoir (Daylesford)	Brown trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 20-40 grams	1,000	
	Wombat Reservoir (Daylesford)	Rainbow trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 20-40 grams	1,000	
	Wurdiboluc Reservoir (Winchelsea)	Brown trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 20-40 grams	10,000	
Port Phillip	Wurdiboluc Reservoir (Winchelsea)	Rainbow trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 20-40 grams	20,000	

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Avon River (Stratford to Valencia Creek)	Australian Bass	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	10,000	
Bemm River	Dusky flathead	3 year trial		fingerlings ~1 gram	2,500	
Bemm River	Estuary perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	10,000	
Blue Rock Lake (Willow Grove)	Australian Bass	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	50,000	
Blue Rock Lake (Willow Grove)	Brown trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 20-40 grams	30,000	
Blue Rock Lake (Willow Grove)	Rainbow trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 20-40 grams	50,000	
Cann River	Australian Bass	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	20,000	
Cowwarr Weir (Cowwarr)	Australian Bass	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	4,000	
Flooding Creek (Port of Sale)	Estuary Perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1gram	5,000	New stocking
Genoa River	Estuary perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	10,000	
Gippsland lakes	Dusky flathead	3 year trial		fingerlings ~1 gram	40,000	
Gippsland lakes	Estuary perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	90,000	
Glenmaggie Lake (Glenmaggie)	Australian Bass	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	40,000	
Glenmaggie Lake (Glenmaggie)	Rainbow trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 20-40 grams	10,000	
Guthridge Lake (Sale)	Australian Bass	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	5,000	
Guthridge Lake (Sale)	Rainbow trout	Two per year	Family Fishing	on grown 180 grams	500	250 each stocking
Heyfield Racecourse Lake (Heyfield)	Rainbow trout	Two per year	Family Fishing	on grown 180 grams	600	300 each stocking
Hyland Lake (Churchill)	Australian Bass	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	5,000	
Hyland Lake (Churchill)	Rainbow trout	Three per year	Family Fishing	on grown 180 grams	2,400	800 each stocking
Lake Tyers	Estuary perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	10,000	
Latrobe River	Australian Bass	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	40,000	

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Macalister River (Downstream of L. Glenmaggie)	Australian Bass	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	20,000	
Macalister River (Licola)	Australian Bass	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	10,000	
Macalister River (U/s of L. Glenmaggie)	Rainbow trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 20-40 grams	5,000	
Macalister River (D/s of L. Glenmaggie)	Brown trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 20-40 grams	2,000	
Mallacoota Inlet	Dusky flathead	3 year trial		fingerlings ~1 gram	2,500	
Mitchell River (Glenaladale to Augusvale)	Australian Bass	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	40,000	
Narracan Lake (Moe)	Australian Bass	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	20,000	
Narracan Lake (Moe)	Brown trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 20-40 grams	2,500	
Narracan Lake (Moe)	Rainbow trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 20-40 grams	2,500	
Rainbow Creek (Heyfield/Cowwarr)	Australian Bass	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	1,000	
Snowy River	Australian Bass	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	60,000	
Snowy River	Estuary perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	10,000	
Tambo River (Bruthen to Junction with the Haunted Stream)	Australian Bass	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	20,000	
Thomson River (D/s Cowwarr Weir)	Australian Bass	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	5,000	
Timbarra River (near Junction with the Tambo River)	Australian Bass	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	20,000	
Tyers River (Wirilda Park to Caringal)	Australian Bass	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	2,000	
Valencia Creek (U/s Valencia Creek)	Australian Bass	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	1,000	

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Allans Flat Dredge Hole (Allans Flat)	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	2,000	
Allans Flat Dredge Hole (Allans Flat)	Silver perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	5,000	
Allans Flat Dredge Hole (Allans Flat)	Rainbow trout	Three per year	Family Fishing	on grown 180 grams	2,000	300 each stocking
Amaroo Lake (Shepparton)	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	1,000	
Anderson Lake (Chiltern)	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	1,000	
Anderson Lake (Chiltern)	Silver perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	1,000	
Anderson Lake (Chiltern)	Rainbow trout	Two per year	Family Fishing	on grown 180 grams	1,000	150 each stocking
Arboretum Dam (Euroa)	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	1,000	
Arboretum Dam (Euroa)	Silver perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	4,000	
Arboretum Dam (Euroa)	Rainbow trout	Two per year	Family Fishing	on grown 180 grams	600	300 each stocking
Bangerang Cultural Centre (Shepparton)	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	1,000	
Bangerang Cultural Centre (Shepparton)	Murray cod	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	1,000	
Bangerang Cultural Centre (Shepparton)	Silver perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	1,000	
Banimboola Lake (Dartmouth Pondage)	Brown trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 20-40 grams	10,000	
Banimboola Lake (Dartmouth Pondage)	Rainbow trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 20-40 grams	10,000	
Bartlett Lake (Tatura)	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	1,000	
Bartlett Lake (Tatura)	Rainbow trout	Two per year	Family Fishing	on grown 180 grams	300	150 each stocking
Boosey Creek (Katamatite)	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	5,000	
Boosey Creek (Katamatite)	Murray cod	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	3,000	
Boosey Creek (Tungamah)	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	5,000	
Broken Creek (Dip Bridge to Nathalia)	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	120,000	Flood recovery stocking increase of 20,000

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Barwon Grampians	Broken Creek (Dip Bridge to Nathalia)	Murray cod	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	30,000	Flood recovery stocking - triple numbers for 2 years
	Broken River (Downstream Benalla to Shepparton)	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	65,000	Flood recovery stocking increase for two years of 20,000 Golden perch across system
	Broken River (Benalla --including Benalla Lake-- upstream to Nillahcootie)	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	35,000	Flood recovery stocking increase for two years of 20,000 Golden perch across system
	Broken River (Downstream Benalla to Shepparton)	Murray cod	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	35,000	Flood recovery stocking increase for two years of 20,000 Murray cod across system
Gippsland	Broken River (Benalla --including Benalla Lake-- upstream to Nillahcootie)	Murray cod	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	25,000	Flood recovery stocking increase for two years of 20,000 Murray cod across system
	Broken River (Nillahcootie to Swanpool)	Macquarie perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	10,000	Final stocking numbers based on production outcomes
	Buffalo Lake (Dandongadale)	Murray cod	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	40,000	
	Buffalo Lake (Dandongadale)	Silver perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	50,000	
Hume	Buffalo Lake (Dandongadale)	Brown trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 20-40 grams	10,000	Submission from Noel O'Connor, GVAAC
	Buffalo River (above Buffalo Lake)	Macquarie perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	10,000	Final stocking numbers based on production outcomes
	Corryong-Jerimal Creek	Murray cod	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	20,000	
	Corryong-Jerimal Creek	Trout cod	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	10,000	
Loddon Mallee	Craigmuir Lake (Mooroopna)	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	1,000	
	Cudgewa Creek (Cudgewa)	Macquarie perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	10,000	Final stocking numbers based on production outcomes
	Dartmouth Lake	Macquarie perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	3,000	Final stocking numbers based on production outcomes
	Eildon Lake (Eildon)	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	300,000	
Port Phillip	Eildon Lake (Eildon)	Murray cod	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	300,000	
	Eildon Lake (Eildon)	Brown trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 20-40 grams	160,000	

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Eildon Lake (Eildon)	Rainbow trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 20-40 grams	50,000	
Eildon Pondage Weir (Eildon)	Brown trout	Annual stocking		ex brood	1,000	
Eildon Pondage Weir (Eildon)	Rainbow trout	Annual stocking		ex brood	1,000	
Eildon Pondage Weir (Eildon)	Rainbow trout	Annual stocking	Family Fishing	on grown 180 grams	14,000	
Eldorado Dredge Hole (Eldorado)	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	2,000	
Eldorado Dredge Hole (Eldorado)	Silver perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	2,000	
Felltimber Creek Wetlands (Wodonga)	Rainbow trout	Two per year	Family Fishing	on grown 180 grams	1,200	600 each stocking
Fifteen Mile Creek (Glenrowan)	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	2,000	
Glenrowan Rec Reserve	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	1,000	
Glenrowan Rec Reserve	Silver perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	1,000	
Glenrowan Rec Reserve	Rainbow trout	Two per year	Family Fishing	on grown 180 grams	1,200	600 each stocking
Golf Course Dam (Longwood)	Rainbow trout	Two per year	Family Fishing	on grown 180 grams	600	300 each stocking
Goulburn River (Eildon to Molesworth)	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	200,000	
Goulburn River (Above Goulburn Weir to Seymour, including Lake Nagambie)	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	60,000	
Goulburn River (Below Goulburn Weir to Yambuna)	Macquarie perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	15,000	Final stocking numbers based on production outcomes
Goulburn River (Above Goulburn Weir to Molesworth)	Murray cod	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	60,000	
Goulburn River (Above Goulburn Weir to Seymour, including Lake Nagambie)	Murray cod	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	50,000	
Goulburn River (Below Goulburn Weir to Yambuna)	Rainbow trout	Once year (September)		Stonker	2,000	
Goulburn River (Eildon to Molesworth)	Brown trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 20-40 grams	10,000	

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Goulburn River (Upstream of Kevington)	Trout cod	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	15,000	Final stocking numbers based on production outcomes
Goulburn River (Trawool)	Trout cod	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	15,000	Final stocking numbers based on production outcomes
Hughes Creek	Macquarie perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	2,000	Final stocking numbers based on production outcomes
Hume Lake (Tallangatta)	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	200,000	
Hume Lake (Tallangatta)	Brown trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 20-40 grams	150,000	
Hume Lake including Mitta River (Tallangatta)	Murray cod	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	200,000	
Kerferd Lake (Beechworth)	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	2,000	
Kerferd Lake (Beechworth)	Silver perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	5,000	
Kerferd Lake (Beechworth)	Rainbow trout	Two per year	Family Fishing	on grown 180 grams	600	300 each stocking
Kialla Lakes (Shepparton)	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	4,000	
Kiewa River (Baranduda to Dederang)	Macquarie perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	30,000	First time stocking - Final stocking numbers based on production outcomes
Kiewa River (Baranduda to Dederang)	Murray cod	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	10,000	
Kiewa River (Baranduda to Dederang)	Trout cod	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	20,000	First time stocking - Final stocking numbers based on production outcomes
King Lake (Rutherglen)	Rainbow trout	Two per year	Family Fishing	on grown 180 grams	400	200 each school holidays
King River (Cheshunt)	Macquarie perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	10,000	Final stocking numbers based on production outcomes
King River (Cheshunt)	Trout cod	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	25,000	Final stocking numbers based on production outcomes
Koonoomoo Billabong	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	5,000	
Koonoomoo Billabong	Silver perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	1,000	
Les Stone Park Lake (Wodonga)	Rainbow trout	Two per year	Family Fishing	on grown 180 grams	600	300 each stocking
Lowanna Lake (Shepparton)	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	1,000	
Marysville Lake	Rainbow trout	Three per year	Family Fishing	on grown 180 grams	1,500	Increase to 500 each stocking - high fishing pressure, well used
Meriwa Park	Silver perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	1,000	

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Meriwa Park	Rainbow trout	Two per year	Family Fishing	on grown 180 grams	400	200 each stocking
Moodemere Lake (Rutherglen)	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	10,000	
Mooroopna Recreation Reserve Lake (Mooroopna)	Rainbow trout	Two per year	Family Fishing	on grown 180 grams	300	150 each stocking
Mount Beauty Pondage (Mount Beauty)	Brown trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 20-40 grams	1,000	
Mount Beauty Pondage (Mount Beauty)	Rainbow trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 20-40 grams	3,000	
Nillahcootie Lake (Barjarg)	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	100,000	
Nillahcootie Lake (Barjarg)	Murray cod	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	60,000	
Numurkah Lake (Numurkah)	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	6,000	
Numurkah Lake (Numurkah)	Silver perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	5,000	
Numurkah Lake (Numurkah)	Rainbow trout	Two per year	Family Fishing	on grown 180 grams	400	200 each stocking
Ovens River (downstream Wangaratta)	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	50,000	
Ovens River (Oxley Flats to Rocky Point)	Macquarie perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	10,000	Final stocking numbers based on production outcomes
Sambell Lake (Beechworth)	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	5,000	
Sambell Lake (Beechworth)	Silver perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	5,000	
Sambell Lake (Beechworth)	Rainbow trout	Two per year	Family Fishing	on grown 180 grams	1,000	500 each stocking
Seven Creeks (Euroa)	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	5,000	
Shadforth Reserve Island Pond (Violet Town)	Rainbow trout	Two per year		on grown 180 grams	400	200 each stocking, dependent on water quality
Stanley Ditch Dam (Stanley)	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	1,000	
Stanley Ditch Dam (Stanley)	Silver perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	1,000	
Stanley Ditch Dam (Stanley)	Rainbow trout	Two per year	Family Fishing	on grown 180 grams	1,000	500 each stocking
Sumsion Gardens Lake (Wodonga)	Rainbow trout	Two per year	Family Fishing	on grown 180 grams	800	400 each stocking

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Water	Species	Stocking schedule	Type	Fish size	2024	Comments
Avoca River (Charlton to Nattie Yallock)	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	20,000	
Avoca River (Charlton to Nattie Yallock)	Murray cod	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	20,000	
Barkers Creek Reservoir (Harcourt)	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	50,000	
Barkers Creek Reservoir (Harcourt)	Murray cod	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	10,000	
Barkers Creek Reservoir (Harcourt)	Brown trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 20-40 grams	10,000	
Bealiba Reservoir (Bealiba)	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	5,000	
Big Meran Lake (Meering)	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	10,000	
Big Meran Lake (Meering)	Murray cod	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	10,000	
Boga Lake (Lake Boga)	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	50,000	
Boga Lake (Lake Boga)	Murray cod	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	20,000	
Boga Lake (Lake Boga)	Silver perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	50,000	
Cairn Curran Reservoir (Maldon)	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	200,000	
Cairn Curran Reservoir (Maldon)	Murray cod	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	250,000	
Cairn Curran Reservoir (Maldon)	Brown trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 20-40 grams	10,000	
Campaspe River (Axdale to Rochester)	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	100,000	
Campaspe River (Axdale to Rochester)	Murray cod	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	100,000	
Campaspe River (Axdale to Rochester)	Trout cod	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	15,000	
Charm Lake (Lake Charm)	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	60,000	
Charm Lake (Lake Charm)	Murray cod	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	20,000	
Crusoe Reservoir (Bendigo)	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	5,000	

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	Water	Species	Stocking schedule	Type	Fish size	2024	Comments
Barwon Grampians	Crusoe Reservoir (Bendigo)	Silver perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	15,000	
	Crusoe Reservoir (Bendigo)	Rainbow trout	Two per year	Family Fishing	on grown 180 grams	900	450 each stocking
	Cullulleraine Lake (Cullulleraine)	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	10,000	
	Cullulleraine Lake (Cullulleraine)	Murray cod	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	6,000	
Gippsland	Eppalock Lake (Knowsley)	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	300,000	
	Eppalock Lake (Knowsley)	Murray cod	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	400,000	
	Expedition Pass (Chewton)	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	5,000	
	Expedition Pass (Chewton)	Rainbow trout	Two per year	Family Fishing	on grown 180 grams	600	300 each stocking
	First Reedy Lake (Kerang)	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	5,000	
	Foletti Caravan Park Lake (Donald)	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	5,000	
	Foletti Caravan Park Lake (Donald)	Silver perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	5,000	
	Foletti Caravan Park Lake (Donald)	Rainbow trout	Two per year	Family Fishing	on grown 180 grams	700	350 each stocking
	Forest Lake (Kangaroo Flat)	Silver perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	10,000	
	Forest Lake (Kangaroo Flat)	Rainbow trout	Two per year	Family Fishing	on grown 180 grams	400	200 each stocking
Hume	Goldfields Reservoir (Maryborough)	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	10,000	
	Goldfields Reservoir (Maryborough)	Brown trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 20-40 grams	2,000	
	Goldfields Reservoir (St Arnaud)	Silver perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	5,000	
	Goldfields Reservoir (St Arnaud)	Rainbow trout	Annual stocking	Family Fishing	on grown 180 grams	200	200 each stocking
	Green Lake (Sea Lake)	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	10,000	
Loddon Mallee	Green Lake (Sea Lake)	Silver perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	10,000	
	Gunbower Creek (Patho to Spences Bridge)	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	70,000	
	Gunbower Creek (Patho to Spences Bridge)	Murray cod	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	50,000	
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Inglewood Reservoir (Inglewood)	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	1,000	
Jil Jil Lake (Donald)	Rainbow trout	Once per year	Family Fishing	on grown 180 grams	500	
Kangaroo Lake (Lake Charm)	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	200,000	
Kangaroo Lake (Lake Charm)	Murray cod	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	200,000	
Kennington Reservoir (Strathdale)	Rainbow trout	Two per year	Family Fishing	on grown 180 grams	1,000	500 each stocking
Kings Billabong	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	10,000	
Kings Billabong	Murray cod	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	10,000	
Kings Billabong	Silver perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	20,000	
Laanecoorie Reservoir (Laanecoorie)	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	50,000	
Laanecoorie Reservoir (Laanecoorie)	Murray cod	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	50,000	
Lauriston Reservoir (Lauriston)	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	50,000	
Lauriston Reservoir (Lauriston)	Murray cod	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	20,000	
Lauriston Reservoir (Lauriston)	Brown trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 20-40 grams	25,000	
Lindsay River	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	50,000	
Lindsay River	Murray cod	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	60,000	
Little Boort Lake (Boort)	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	5,000	
Little Boort Lake (Boort)	Silver perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	10,000	
Little Murray	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	30,000	Flood recovery stocking (tripled murray cod and golden perch for 2 years)
Little Murray	Murray cod	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	10,000	Flood recovery stocking complete, back to 10,000 per year
Loddon River (Below Laanecoorie to Fernihurst Weir)	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	100,000	
Loddon River (Kerang)	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	45,000	Flood recovery stocking for 2 years - increase of 20,000

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Barwon Grampians	Loddon River (Below Laanecoorie to Fernihurst Weir and including Kerang Weir)	Murray cod	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	150,000	
	Loddon River (Kerang)	Murray cod	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	30,000	Flood recovery stocking for 2 years - increase of 20,000
	Malmsbury Reservoir (Malmsbury)	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	50,000	
Gippsland	Malmsbury Reservoir (Malmsbury)	Murray cod	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	10,000	
	Malmsbury Reservoir (Malmsbury)	Brown trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 20-40 grams	5,000	
	Neanger (Bendigo)	Silver perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	10,000	
	Neanger (Bendigo)	Rainbow trout	Two per year	Family Fishing	on grown 180 grams	600	300 each stocking
	Ouyen Lake	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	20,000	
	Ouyen Lake	Murray cod	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	2,000	
Hume	Ouyen Lake	Silver perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	10,000	
	Ouyen Lake	Rainbow trout	One per year	Family Fishing	on grown 180 grams	500	500 each stocking
	Pyramid Creek (Kerang)	Golden perch	Flood recovery stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	20,000	Flood recovery stocking for 2 years - previously last stocked in 2013
Loddon Mallee	Serpentine Creek (Duham Ox)	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	5,000	
	Serpentine Creek (Duham Ox)	Murray cod	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	3,000	
	Skidders Flat Reservoir (Wedderburn)	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	2,000	
	Talbot Reservoir (Evansford)	Brown trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 20-40 grams	2,000	
	Talbot Reservoir (Evansford)	Rainbow trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 20-40 grams	2,000	
	Tchum Lake (Birchip)	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	10,000	
Port Phillip	Tchum Lake (Birchip)	Silver perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	10,000	
	Tchum Lake (Birchip)	Rainbow trout	Two per year	Family Fishing	on grown 180 grams	2,000	1000 each stocking

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Teddington Reservoir Bottom (Stuart Mill)	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	2,000	
Teddington Reservoir Bottom (Stuart Mill)	Brown trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 20-40 grams	2,000	
Teddington Reservoir Bottom (Stuart Mill)	Rainbow trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 20-40 grams	2,000	
Tom Thumb Lake (Eaglehawk)	Rainbow trout	Annual stocking	Family Fishing	on grown 180 grams	200	200 each stocking
Tower Hill Lake (Swan Hill)	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	2,000	
Tower Hill Lake (Swan Hill)	Silver perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	2,000	
Tullaroop Reservoir (Carisbrook)	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	50,000	
Tullaroop Reservoir (Carisbrook)	Brown trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 50 grams+	12,000	Larger trout trial (60% of planned 20-40g yearlings with 50g+ yearlings)
Tullaroop Reservoir (Carisbrook)	Rainbow trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 50 grams+	30,000	Larger trout trial (60% of planned 20-40g yearlings with 50g+ yearlings)
Upper Coliban Reservoir (Kyneton)	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	100,000	
Upper Coliban Reservoir (Kyneton)	Murray Cod	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	20,000	
Upper Coliban Reservoir (Kyneton)	Silver perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	50,000	
Upper Coliban Reservoir (Kyneton)	Brown trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 20-40 grams	20,000	
Upper Coliban Reservoir (Kyneton)	Rainbow trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 20-40 grams	5,000	
Victoria Lake (Maryborough)	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	5,000	
Walkers Lake (Avon Plains)	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	10,000	
Walkers Lake (Avon Plains)	Silver perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	10,000	
Watchem Lake (Watchem)	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	5,000	
Watchem Lake (Watchem)	Silver perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	5,000	
Wooroonook Lake (Charlton)	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	5,000	

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Wooroonook Lake (Charlton)	Silver perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	10,000	
Yaapeet Lake (Yaapeet)	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	2,000	
Yaapeet Lake (Yaapeet)	Silver perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	2,000	
Yaapeet Lake (Yaapeet)	Rainbow trout	Annual Stocking	Family Fishing	on grown 180 grams	200	
Yarriambiack Creek (Beulah to Warracknabeal)	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	15,000	High fishing pressure, angling club requested increase

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Albert Park Lake (Albert Park)	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	10,000	
Albert Park Lake (Albert Park)	Murray cod	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	1,000	
Albert Park Lake (Albert Park)	Silver perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	20,000	
Albert Park Lake (Albert Park)	Rainbow trout	Two per year	Family Fishing	on grown 180 grams	3,000	1500 each stocking
Albert Park Lake (Albert Park)	Rainbow trout	Once year (September)		Stonker	120	
Auravale Lake	Estuary perch	Periodic stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	5,000	
Berwick Springs Estate Lake (Berwick)	Rainbow trout	Two per year	Family Fishing	on grown 180 grams	1,500	750 each stocking
Berwick Springs Estate Lake (Berwick)	Rainbow trout	Once year (September)		Stonker	40	
Casey Fields Lake (Cranbourne)	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	1,000	
Casey Fields Lake (Cranbourne)	Murray cod	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	1,000	
Casey Fields Lake (Cranbourne)	Silver perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	5,000	
Casey Fields Lake (Cranbourne)	Rainbow trout	Three per year	Family Fishing	on grown 180 grams	2,250	750 each stocking
Casey Fields Lake (Cranbourne)	Rainbow trout	Once year (September)		Stonker	40	
Caulfield Racecourse Lake (Caulfield)	Rainbow trout	Two per year	Family Fishing	on grown 180 grams	600	300 each stocking
Caulfield Racecourse Lake (Caulfield)	Rainbow trout	Once year (September)		Stonker	50	
Darlingsford Lake (Melton)	Rainbow trout	Two per year	Family Fishing	on grown 180 grams	1,000	500 each stocking
Devilbend Reservoir (Mooroduc)	Estuary perch	Periodic stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	10,000	
Devilbend Reservoir (Mooroduc)	Brown trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 20-40 grams	15,000	
Devilbend Reservoir (Mooroduc)	Rainbow trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 20-40 grams	30,000	
Don Lake (Healesville)	Rainbow trout	Two per year	Family Fishing	on grown 180 grams	800	400 each stocking
Don Lake (Healesville)	Rainbow trout	Once year (September)		Stonker	30	

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Emerald Lake (Emerald)	Rainbow trout	Two per year	Family Fishing	on grown 180 grams	1,000	500 each stocking
Emerald Lake (Emerald)	Rainbow trout	Once year (September)		Stonker	30	
Emerald Lake (Emerald)	Brown trout	Periodic stocking		yearlings 20-40 grams	300	
Ferntree Gully Quarry	Australian Bass	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	5,000	
Ferntree Gully Quarry	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	1,000	
Ferntree Gully Quarry	Murray cod	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	1,000	
Ferntree Gully Quarry	Rainbow trout	Two per year	Family Fishing	on grown 180 grams	900	450 each stocking
Ferntree Gully Quarry	Rainbow trout	Once year (September)		Stonker	60	
Ferntree Gully Quarry	Brown trout	Annual stocking		yearlings 20-40 grams	500	
Garfield Lake (Garfield)	Rainbow trout	Two per year	Family Fishing	on grown 180 grams	500	250 each stocking
Garfield Lake (Garfield)	Rainbow trout	Once year (September)		Stonker	10	
Hanging Rock Lake (Woodend)	Rainbow trout	Two per year	Family Fishing	on grown 180 grams	700	350 each stocking
Karkarook Lake (Moorabbin)	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	1,000	
Karkarook Lake (Moorabbin)	Murray cod	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	2,000	
Karkarook Lake (Moorabbin)	Silver perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	10,000	
Karkarook Lake (Moorabbin)	Rainbow trout	Three per year	Family Fishing	on grown 180 grams	6,000	2000 each stocking
Karkarook Lake (Moorabbin)	Rainbow trout	Once year (September)		Stonker	90	
Lilliput Lane Reserve (Pakenham)	Rainbow trout	Two per year	Family Fishing	on grown 180 grams	200	100 each stocking
Lilliput Lane Reserve (Pakenham)	Rainbow trout	Once year (September)		Stonker	10	
Lilydale Lake (Lilydale)	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	5,000	
Lilydale Lake (Lilydale)	Murray cod	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	2,000	
Lilydale Lake (Lilydale)	Silver perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	20,000	

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Lilydale Lake (Lilydale)	Rainbow trout	Two per year	Family Fishing	on grown 180 grams	2,000	1000 each stocking
Lilydale Lake (Lilydale)	Rainbow trout	Once year (September)		Stonker	130	
Little River	Estuary perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	10,000	
Melton Reservoir (Melton)	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	70,000	
Melton Reservoir (Melton)	Murray cod	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	30,000	
Melton Reservoir (Melton)	Silver perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	40,000	
Navan Park Lake (Melton)	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	1,000	
Navan Park Lake (Melton)	Murray cod	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	1,000	
Navan Park Lake (Melton)	Silver perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	5,000	
Navan Park Lake (Melton)	Rainbow trout	Two per year	Family Fishing	on grown 180 grams	1,200	600 each stocking
Navan Park Lake (Melton)	Rainbow trout	Once year (September)		Stonker	30	
Nursery Reservoir (Macedon)	Rainbow trout	Annual stocking	Family Fishing	on grown 180 grams	600	300 each stocking
Pakenham Lake (Pakenham)	Rainbow trout	Two per year	Family Fishing	on grown 180 grams	1,500	750 each stocking
Pakenham Lake (Pakenham)	Rainbow trout	Once year (September)		Stonker	80	
Rowville Lakes (Rowville) Sutton and Hill Lakes	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	1,000	
Rowville Lakes (Rowville) Sutton and Hill Lakes	Murray cod	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	1,000	
Rowville Lakes (Rowville) Sutton and Hill Lakes	Silver perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	5,000	
Rowville Lakes (Rowville) Sutton and Hill Lakes	Rainbow trout	Two per year	Family Fishing	on grown 180 grams	1,100	650 each stocking
Rowville Lakes (Rowville) Sutton and Hill Lakes	Rainbow trout	Once year (September)		Stonker	40	
Roxburgh Park Lakes (Roxburgh Park)	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	1,000	
Roxburgh Park Lakes (Roxburgh Park)	Murray cod	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	1,000	

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Roxburgh Park Lakes (Roxburgh Park)	Silver perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	5,000	
Roxburgh Park Lakes (Roxburgh Park)	Rainbow trout	Two per year	Family Fishing	on grown 180 grams	800	400 each stocking
Roxburgh Park Lakes (Roxburgh Park)	Rainbow trout	Once year (September)		Stonker	30	
Spavin Lake (Sunbury)	Golden perch	Annual stocking		fingerlings ~1 gram	1,000	
Spavin Lake (Sunbury)	Rainbow trout	Two per year	Family Fishing	on grown 180 grams	1,200	600 each stocking
Spavin Lake (Sunbury)	Rainbow trout	Once year (September)		Stonker	30	
Walter J Smith Reserve	Rainbow trout	Annual stocking	Family Fishing	on grown 180 grams	400	200 rainbow trout
Yarrambat Lake (Yarrambat)	Rainbow trout	Three per year	Family Fishing	on grown 180 grams	3,000	1000 each stocking
Yarrambat Lake (Yarrambat)	Rainbow trout	Once year (September)		Stonker	120	



