BENELG RIVER fishing

Environmental flows have changed the face of fishing in the Glenelg River north of Casterton since they started in 2009.

Annual fish surveys show native fish numbers are increasing in the Glenelg River and native fish are returning to the upper reaches of the river.

SINCE ENVIRONMENTAL FLOWS STARTED ON THE GLENELG RIVER:

Blackfish numbers have more than doubled

Numbers of critically endangered
Variegated Pygmy Perch have
increased ten-fold

Estuary Perch have moved back upstream 270km

Tupong have move back upstream 240km

Black Bream have move back upstream 70km

WHAT GLENELG RIVER ANGLERS ARE SAYING.

"As an avid angler I've spent countless hours over many years on the Glenelg River. There has been a real improvement in the health of the river and this is very evident in the

stocks and condition of the native fish like Estuary Perch and Black Bream."

- Shane Lowery, Administrator South West Victoria Fishing Reports

River Harrow

Balmoral

Rocklands Reservoir

Dergholm

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"Ten years ago the river was a dry bed but now it is looking much better than it has in my 60 years of living and fishing around Casterton.

- Brian Murrell, Secretary Casterton
Angling Society

Casterton

• Coleraine

"You don't have to be Einstein to work out that the improved fishing in the Glenelg is on the back of improved conditions and flow in the river."

- Ricky Owens, President Dartmoor Angling Club Hamilton

Dartmoor



1200 jobs and \$188.4 million to the regional economy - the estimated contribution of recreational fishing in south west Victoria.

"Growing up in the area I have fished the river at Dartmoor all my life. I have listened to stories from the old guys saying that if you are lucky you might catch a Perch or a Bream here. But now you would be unlucky not to catch one." - Martin Doll, Member Dartmoor Angling Club

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