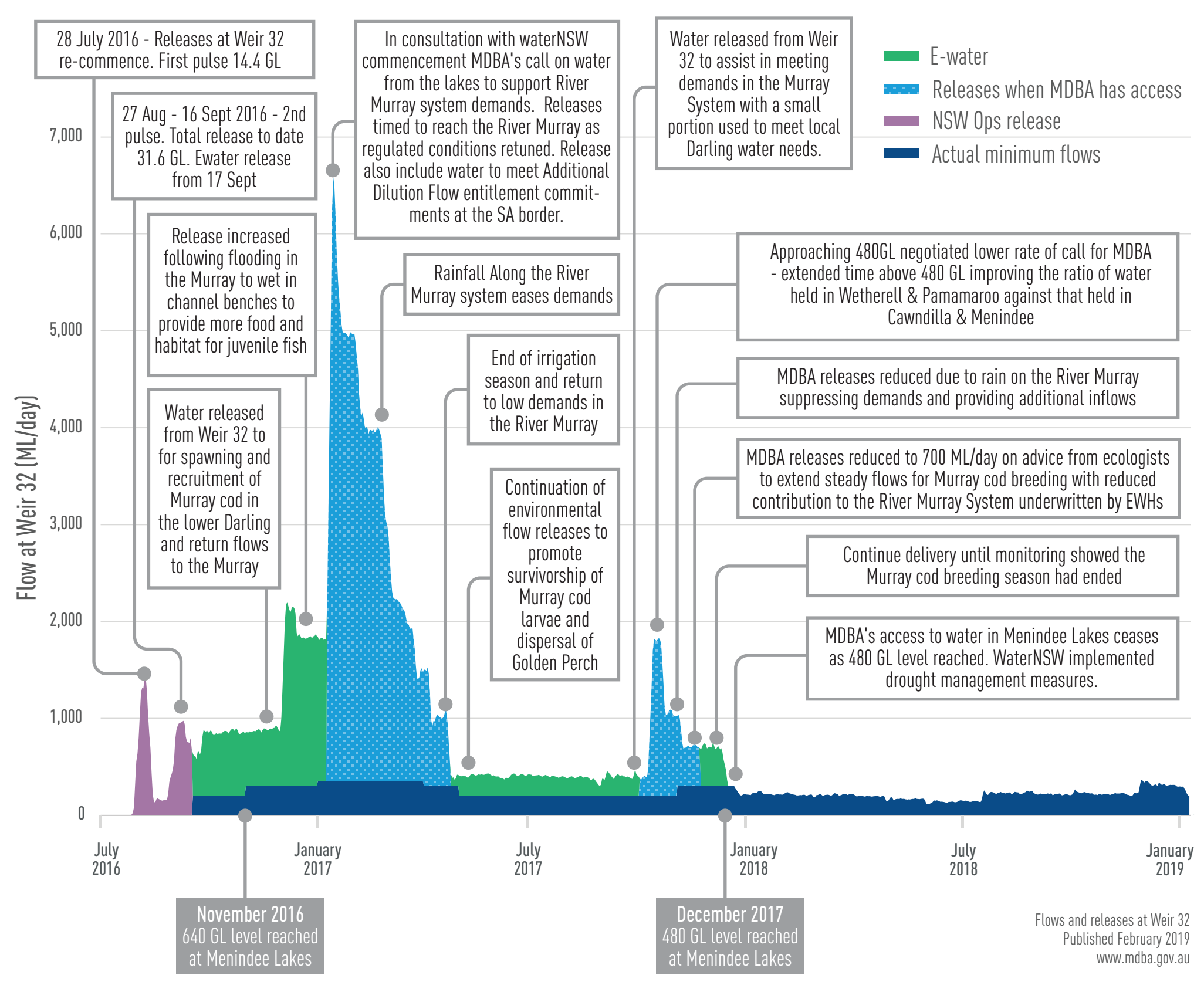
28 July 2016 - Releases at Weir 32 re-commence. First pulse 14.4 GL
27 Aug - 16 Sept 2016 - 2nd pulse. Total release to date 31.6 GL. Ewater release from 17 Sept
Release increased following flooding in the Murray to wet in channel benches to provide more food and habitat for juvenile fish
Water released from Weir 32 to for spawning and recruitment of Murray cod in the lower Darling and return flows to the Murray
In consultation with waterNSW commencement MDBA's call on water from the lakes to support River Murray system demands. Releases timed to reach the River Murray as regulated conditions retuned. Release also include water to meet Additional Dilution Flow entitlement commit-ments at the SA border.
Rainfall Along the River Murray system eases demands
End of irrigation season and return to low demands in the River Murray
Continuation of environmental flow releases to promote survivorship of Murray cod larvae and dispersal of Golden Perch
Water released from Weir 32 to assist in meeting demands in the Murray System with a small portion used to meet local Darling water needs.
Approaching 480GL negotiated lower rate of call for MDBA - extended time above 480 GL improving the ratio of water held in Wetherell & Pamamaroo against that held in Cawndilla & Menindee
MDBA releases reduced due to rain on the River Murray suppressing demands and providing additional inflows
MDBA releases reduced to 700 ML/day on advice from ecologists to extend steady flows for Murray cod breeding with reduced contribution to the River Murray System underwritten by EWHs
Continue delivery until monitoring showed the Murray cod breeding season had ended
MDBA's access to water in Menindee Lakes ceases as 480 GL level reached. WaterNSW implemented drought management measures.
E-water
Releases when MDBA has access
NSW Ops release
Actual minimum flows
Flow at Weir 32 (ML/day)
7,000
6,000
5,000
4,000
3,000
2,000
1,000
0
July 2016
January 2017
July 2017
January 2018
July 2018
January 2019
November 2016
640 GL level reached at Menindee Lakes
December 2017
480 GL level reached at Menindee Lakes
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