Notes:

1. Revocation:

2. Declaration:

3. Purpose:
   Western Davenport Water Control District declared for surface water and groundwater management purposes.
In 2 July 2009, the Western Davenport Water Control District was declared. The Water Control District covers an area of 24,500 square kilometres and is located 150km south of Tennant Creek.

Groundwater accounts for all water supplies in the District. The most significant aquifers within the District are the Lake Surprise Sandstone, Arrinthunga Formation, Chabalowie Formation and Dulcie Sandstone underlying the Central Plains zone. Lower yielding aquifers underlie the Southern and Davenport Ranges.

Water Control Districts are declared in areas where there is a high level of competition for water and/or require closer management of the water resources.

Water management rules apply to people wanting to access and use water within the Water Control District which includes the requirement for:

- Bore construction permits; and
- Water extraction licences to take surface and groundwater

NOTE:

- Water for rural stock and domestic use is exempt from licensing.
- There may be other specific exemptions which apply generally in the Northern Territory depending on the water user.

A water control district also allows for a water allocation plans to be developed. There is a water allocation plan for the Western Davenport. The plan sets out the framework for water management in the Western Davenport Water Control District.

If you have any questions about permit or licensing requirements in the area, please email: water.licensing@nt.gov.au for water planning enquires, email: waterresources@nt.gov.au