

**Minutes of the Meeting of GOLDENFIELDS WATER COUNTY COUNCIL held at
TEMORA OFFICE on 25 February 2021**

The meeting commenced at 10.00am

PRESENT

Cr D Palmer, Cr G Armstrong, Cr B Callow, Cr D McCann, Cr L McGlynn, Cr K Morris, Cr G Sinclair.

Cr G Armstrong entered the meeting at 10.50am.

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE

Mr A Drenovski (General Manager), Mr G Veneris (Production and Services Manager), Mr T Goodyer (Operations Manager), Ms M Curran (Corporate Services Manager) Miss S Jung (Engineering Manager), Mrs A Coleman (Executive Assistant).

1. LEAVE OF ABSENCE/APOLOGIES

BOARD RESOLUTION

21/001 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Callow and McCann that Cr M Stadtmiller be granted a leave of absence.

2. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

I would like to acknowledge the Wiradjuri people who are the Traditional Custodians of the Land. I would also like to pay respect to their people both past and present and extend that respect to other Aboriginal Australians who are present.

3. PRESENTATIONS

Nil

4. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTERESTS

Nil

5. DECLARATION OF NON PECUNIARY INTERESTS

Nil

6. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF MEETINGS HELD ON 18 DECEMBER 2020

BOARD RESOLUTION

21/002 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs McCann and Sinclair that the minutes of the meeting held on the 18 December 2020, having been circulated and read by members be confirmed.

7. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

Nil

8. CORRESPONDENCE

8.1. Minister for Local Government – Chairperson of County Council Term of Office

The General Manager provided an overview of the correspondence from the Minister for Local Government.

9. MATTERS OF URGENCY

Nil

10. NOTICES OF MOTION / RESCISSION MOTIONS

Nil

11. CHAIRPERSON'S MINUTE

Nil

12. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – CONFIDENTIAL SESSION - 10.04am

In accordance with the Local Government Act 1993 and the Local Government (General) Regulations 2005, in the opinion of the General Manager the following business is of a kind as referred to in section 10A(2) of the Act and should be dealt with in part of the meeting closed to the media and the public.

BOARD RESOLUTION

21/003 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs McGlynn and Callow that Council move into CONFIDENTIAL SESSION.

13. MATTERS TO BE SUBMITTED TO CONFIDENTIAL SESSION

13.1. MATTERS SUBMITTED BY PRODUCTION AND SERVICES MANAGER

13.1.1. TENDER 08/2020 – OURA SWITCHROOM CONSTRUCTION AND CIVIL WORKS

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- d) *Commercial information of a confidential matter that would, if disclosed:*
 - (i) *prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it, or*
 - (ii) *confer a commercial advantage on a competitor of the council, or*
 - (iii) *reveal a trade secret,*

BOARD RESOLUTION

21/004 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Callow and McGlynn that the Board award Tender 08/2020 to Gongues Construction Pty Ltd for the upper limit amount of \$3,028,000 (exc GST).

13.2. MATTERS SUBMITTED BY ENGINEERING MANAGER

13.2.1. ROSEHILL LANDHOLDERS UPDATE

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- c) Information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business,*

BOARD RESOLUTION

21/005 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs McCann and Sinclair that the Board note the information provided within the Rosehill Landholders Update report.

BOARD RESOLUTION

21/006 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs McCann and Callow that there being no further confidential items that Council revert back to Open Session and that the resolutions made in confidential session be made public.

The General Manager read out the resolutions made in Confidential Session.

14. MATTERS TO BE SUBMITTED TO OPEN COUNCIL – 10.30am

14.1. MATTERS SUBMITTED BY CORPORATE SERVICES MANAGER

14.1.1. COUNCIL INVESTMENTS

BOARD RESOLUTION

21/007 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Sinclair and McCann that the report detailing Council Investments as at 31st January 2021 be received and noted.

Report prepared by Corporate Services Manager

COUNCIL OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

That the report detailing Council Investments as at 31st January 2021 be received and noted.

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ALIGNMENT WITH BUSINESS ACTIVITY STRATEGIC PLAN

09 Financially Sustainable

BACKGROUND

A report on Council's Investments is required to be presented for Council's consideration in accordance with Clause 212 of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005.

REPORT

Council's investment portfolio increased by \$500,000 from \$53,000,000 as at 30th November 2020 to \$53,500,000 as at 31st January 2021.

Investment Portfolio

Type	Rating	SP Rating	Issuer	Frequency	Purchase	Maturity	Days	Rate	Benchmark*	Principal
TD	AA-	A1+	National Australia Bank	At Maturity	14/02/2020	16/02/2021	368	1.50	0.20	\$3,000,000
TD	NR	NR	Police Credit Union SA	Annual	21/03/2018	22/03/2021	1097	3.15	0.20	\$2,000,000
TD	BBB+	A2	AMP Bank	At Maturity	19/03/2020	25/03/2021	371	1.80	0.20	\$2,000,000
TD	NR	NR	Australian Military Bank	Annual	29/03/2018	29/03/2021	1096	3.20	0.20	\$1,000,000
TD	AA-	A1+	Westpac	Quarterly	24/04/2018	27/04/2021	1099	3.13	0.20	\$3,000,000
TD	AA-	A1+	National Australia Bank	At Maturity	9/06/2020	9/06/2021	365	0.98	0.20	\$2,000,000
TD	BBB	A2	P&N Bank	Annual	27/06/2018	28/06/2021	1097	3.15	0.20	\$3,000,000
TD	BBB+	A2	BOQ	Annual	12/07/2017	12/07/2021	1461	3.45	0.20	\$2,000,000
TD	AA-	A1+	National Australia Bank	Annual	26/11/2020	19/08/2021	266	0.48	0.20	\$2,000,000
TD	BBB+	A2	AMP Bank	At Maturity	9/12/2020	8/09/2021	273	0.70	0.20	\$3,000,000
TD	BBB+	A2	BOQ	Annual	16/12/2020	28/09/2021	286	0.55	0.20	\$1,000,000
TD	BBB+	A2	BOQ	Annual	29/10/2018	29/10/2021	1096	3.00	0.20	\$3,000,000
TD	BBB+	A2	AMP Bank	Annual	15/05/2020	17/11/2021	551	1.55	0.20	\$3,000,000
TD	AA-	A1+	National Australia Bank	Annual	26/11/2020	9/12/2021	378	0.48	0.20	\$2,000,000
TD	AA-	A1+	Westpac	Quarterly	16/12/2020	11/01/2022	391	0.49	0.20	\$3,000,000
TD	BBB+	A2	AMP Bank	At Maturity	12/01/2021	11/02/2022	395	1.00	0.20	\$2,000,000
TD	BBB+	A2	AMP Bank	At Maturity	12/01/2021	11/03/2022	423	1.00	0.20	\$2,000,000
TD	BBB+	A2	BOQ	Annual	12/07/2018	12/07/2022	1461	3.50	0.20	\$1,000,000
TD	AA-	A1+	Westpac	Quarterly	13/07/2020	13/07/2022	730	0.96	0.20	\$3,000,000
TD	BBB+	A2	BOQ	Annual	23/06/2020	20/07/2022	757	1.23	0.20	\$1,000,000
TD	AA-	A1+	Westpac	Quarterly	5/08/2020	7/09/2022	763	0.90	0.20	\$3,000,000
TD	AA-	A1+	NT Treasury	Annual	10/09/2020	15/12/2023	1191	1.00	0.20	\$2,000,000
TD	AA-	A1+	NT Treasury	Annual	28/09/2020	15/12/2024	1539	1.10	0.20	\$1,000,000
CASH	A-	A1	Macquarie Bank	Monthly				0.45	0.10	\$3,000,000
CASH	AA-	A1+	CBA	Monthly				0.10	0.10	\$500,000
TOTAL:										\$53,500,000

*Benchmarks

On Call - RBA Cash

Floating Rate Deposit - 3m BBSW

Term Deposit - BBSW

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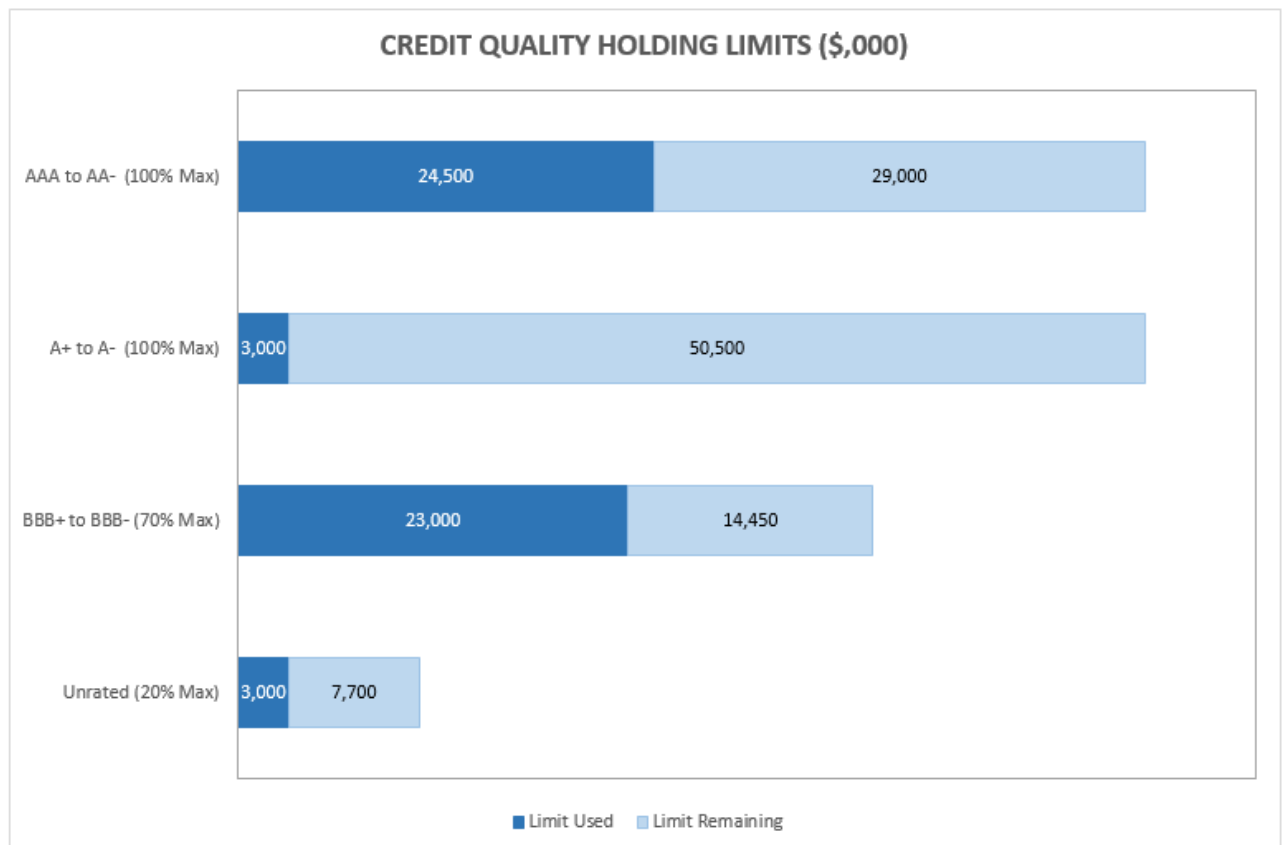
Performance

Goldenfields Water County Council's investment portfolio outperformed the relevant BBSW Index benchmark by 651%. The average weighted yield for January was 1.57%, over an average weighted term of 284 days, with a benchmark of 0.21%.

Total Cost 53,500,000	Total Accrued Interest 372,690	Weighted Average Term 284 Days
Total Value 53,500,000	Monthly Interest Received 124,833	Weighted Average Yield 1.57%

Credit Quality Compliance

Council's investment portfolio was compliant with policy in terms of S&P long term rating credit quality limits, as displayed below.

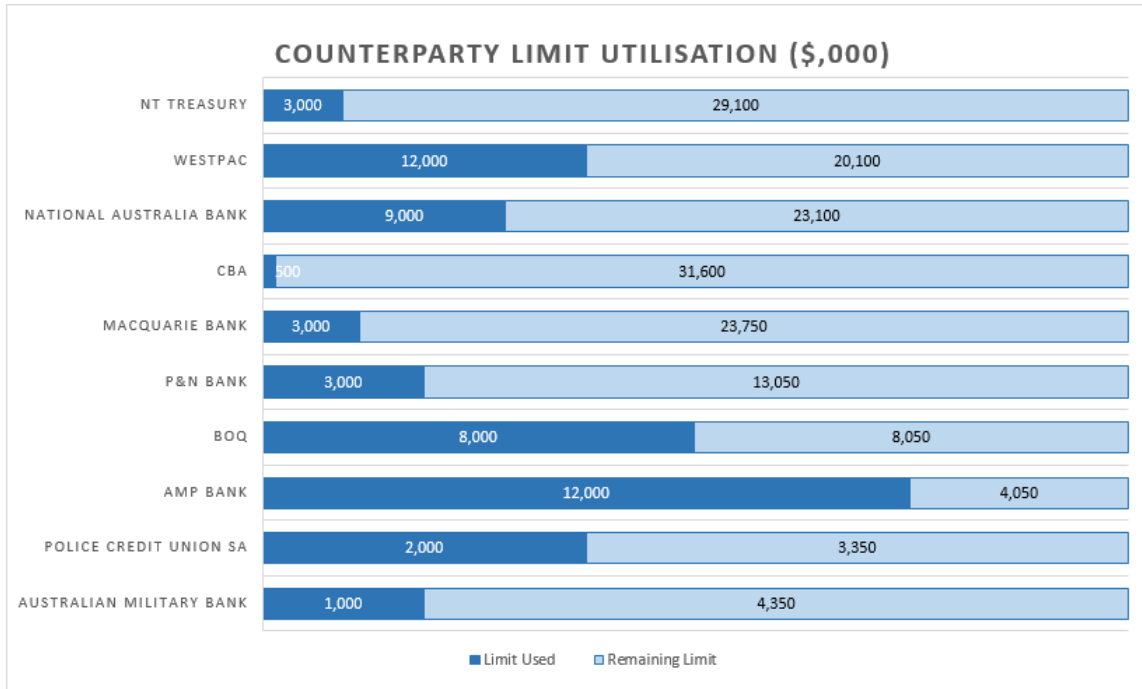


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Counter Party Compliance

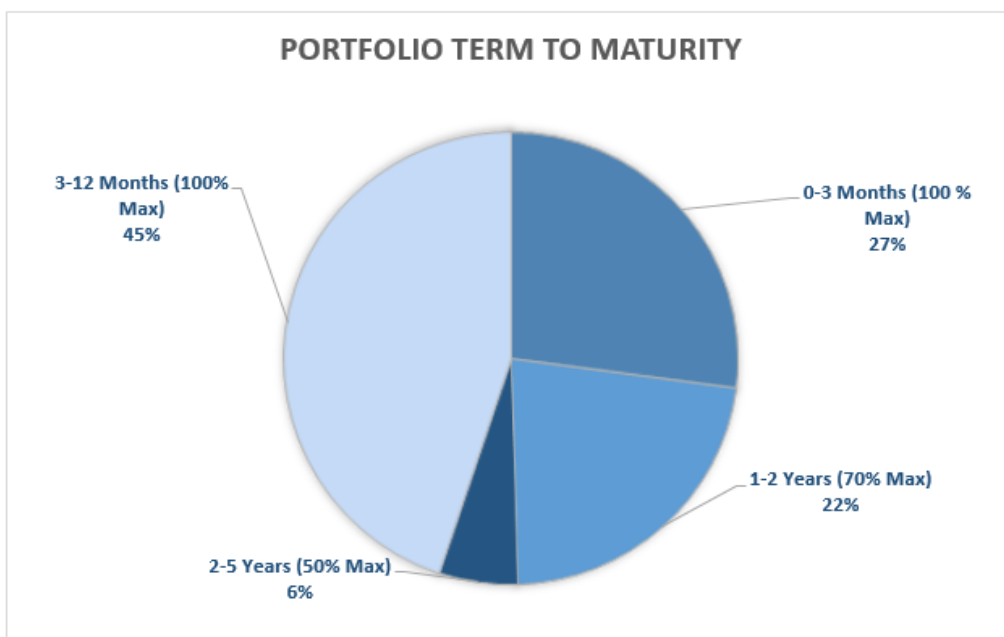
As at the end of January, Council was compliant with policy in terms of individual financial institution capacity limits. It is worth noting that capacity limits are affected by changes in the on call account balance compared to the total portfolio balance.

Overall, the portfolio is diversified across a variety of credit ratings, including some exposure to unrated ADIs.



Term to Maturity

Council's investment portfolio maturities shown graphically below were also compliant with policy requirements.



APPLICATION OF INVESTMENT FUNDS

The table below details the allocation of cash balances in terms of restricted funds, noting restrictions are all internal rather than external.

Restricted Funds:	
Plant & Vehicle Replacement	1,393,231
Infrastructure Replacement	33,292,449
Employee Leave Entitlement	2,128,849
Sales Fluctuation Reserve	500,000
Property Reserve	391,890
Unrestricted Funds:	15,793,581
TOTAL	53,500,000

FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT

Council's investment portfolio increased by \$500,000 from \$53,000,000 as at 30th November 2020 to \$53,500,000 as at 31st January 2021.

DECLARATION

I hereby certify that investments listed in the report have been made in accordance with Section 625 of the Local Government Act 1993, Clause 212 of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005 and Council's Investment Policy PP004.

Signed



Michele Curran
Responsible Accounting Officer

ATTACHMENTS: Nil.

TABLED ITEMS: Nil.

14.1.2. PROGRESS REPORT – CAPITAL WORKS EXPENDITURE

BOARD RESOLUTION

21/008 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Callow and McGlynn that the report detailing Council's Capital Works Program as at 31 January 2021 be received and noted.

Report prepared by Corporate Services Manager

COUNCIL OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

That the report detailing Council's Capital Works Program as at 31 January 2021 be received and noted.

ALIGNMENT WITH BUSINESS ACTIVITY STRATEGIC PLAN

09 Financially Sustainable

BACKGROUND

Capital Works represents a significant part of Councils activities and expenditure. This report details progress year to date on programmed and emergent capital works.

REPORT

This report is presented for information on the Capital Works Program year to date progress as at 31 January 2021.

FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT

The recommendation does not impact on Council's financial position.

ATTACHMENTS: Capital Works Progress Report as at 31 January 2021

TABLED ITEMS: Nil.

14.1.3. QUARTERLY BUDGET REVIEW 31 DECEMBER 2020

BOARD RESOLUTION

21/009 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs McCann and McGlynn that the Board receives and adopts the Quarterly Budget Review for the period ended 31 December 2020.

Report prepared by Corporate Services Manager

COUNCIL OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

That the Board receives and adopts the Quarterly Budget Review for the period ended 31 December 2020.

ALIGNMENT WITH BUSINESS ACTIVITY STRATEGIC PLAN

09 Financially Sustainable

BACKGROUND

The Quarterly Budget Review Statement is presented to Council in accordance with Clause 203(2) of the Local Government (General) Regulations 2005, for the purpose of periodically reviewing and revising estimates of income and expenditure.

REPORT

The Quarterly Review of Council's Budget for the period ended 31 December 2020 is submitted for examination by Council.

The anticipated Operating Result for 2020/21 is a deficit of \$1,376,000. The anticipated Operating Result as originally adopted was a surplus of \$247,000. Proposed adjustments are detailed below.

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Of note, a review of half yearly water sales figures has been undertaken during the quarterly budget review process. There has been an impact on production following rainfall during spring and early summer, as well as lower overall summer temperatures. Jugiong has seen the greatest impact, with 24.7% less production than the same period last year. Other schemes have also been impacted, 24% in Oura and 9.7% in Daylight and Hylands. As a result, water sales will be affected and a quarterly budget review is recommended, especially taking into account forecasts of a wetter than average March to May period.

The Capital Works expenditure is not included in the Operating Result and is an additional outlay. Further detail about capital works can be found in the Capital Works Progress Report item of the business paper.

Proposed December 2020 quarterly review adjustments:

Capital Income

- \$1,500,000 decrease in Water Sales
- \$850,000 increase in Developer Charges

Capital Expenditure

- (\$150,000) Oura Land Acquisition
- \$131,000 Developer Paid Mains
- \$40,000 Nangus Water Supply Investigation
- \$55,000 Coopers Lane Coolamon
- (\$125,000) Trunk Main Renewals
- \$160,000 Beach St Main Replacement
- \$100,000 Cox St Main Replacement
- (\$29,000) Reticulation Mains Renewals
- \$115,000 Breust Property Spur
- (\$340,000) Pump Station Renewals
- \$161,000 Critical Valve Renewal
- \$145,000 North Weethalle Electrical and Pump Upgrade
- \$140,000 Weethalle Electrical and Pump Upgrade
- \$450,000 SCADA communications renewal program
- \$435,000 Matong Bore 1
- \$140,000 Oura Bore 6 Switchboard Renewal
- \$145,000 Oura Bore 3 Switchboard Renewal
- \$50,000 Oura Bore 6 Renewal
- \$450,000 Oura High Voltage
- (\$450,000) Jugiong High Voltage
- \$25,000 Jugiong Compressor
- (\$750,000) Jugiong Old Treatment Plant Demolition

FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT

The recommendation reduces Council's Operating Result by \$650,000 and increases Capital Works Expenditure by \$1,023,000.

ATTACHMENTS: Quarterly Budget Review 31-12-20.

TABLED ITEMS: Nil.

14.1.4. AUDIT RISK AND IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE

BOARD RESOLUTION

21/010 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Callow and McCann that the Board receives and notes the minutes of the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee meeting held on 4 February 2021.

Cr McCann commended Michele Curran and Nicol Kelly on the high WHS standards at GWCC he has witnessed through his role on the ARIC.

Report prepared by Corporate Services Manager

COUNCIL OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

That the Board receives and notes the minutes of the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee meeting held on 4 February 2021.

ALIGNMENT WITH BUSINESS ACTIVITY STRATEGIC PLAN

09 Financially Sustainable

BACKGROUND

Goldenfields Water County Council Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee is an advisory committee in accordance with section 355 of the Local Government Act 1993, and the Local Government Regulations 2012. The Committee was established by Council Res 17/008 on 23 February 2017. In accordance with the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee Charter, the Committee will report regularly to Council.

REPORT

The Goldenfields Water County Council Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee met on 4 February 2021. Minutes of the meeting are attached for the information of the Board.

FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT

The recommendation does not impact on Council's financial position.

ATTACHMENTS: Minutes of ARIC Meeting 4-2-21.

TABLED ITEMS: Nil.

14.2. MATTERS SUBMITTED BY OPERATIONS MANAGER

14.2.1. VALVE MAINTENANCE PROGRAM

BOARD RESOLUTION

21/011 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Sinclair and McCann that the ongoing valve maintenance program report be received and noted.

Report prepared by Operations Manager

COUNCIL OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

That the ongoing valve maintenance program report be received and noted.

ALIGNMENT WITH BUSINESS ACTIVITY STRATEGIC PLAN

01 Excellence in Service Provision 07 Efficient Operations

BACKGROUND

In October 2019 two fixed term labourers were appointed to undertake the Valve Maintenance Program.

REPORT

A total of 8997 valves have been identified within the supply area. These valves consist of:

- Scour valves - 89
- Air valves - 1071
- Stop valves - 3852
- Hydrants – 3985

To date a total of 6000 valves have been serviced and a number of which have required maintenance, refurbishment and/or replacement.

This program is on-going and due for completion October 2021.

These fixed term labourers have also been utilised to assist Operations on a number of occasions for emergent/reactive works within the southern and northern operational areas.

FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT

The recommendation does not impact on Council's financial position.

ATTACHMENTS: Nil

TABLED ITEMS: Nil

14.2.2. MANDAMAH CONSTRUCTION PROGRESS REPORT

BOARD RESOLUTION

21/012 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs McGlynn and Callow that the Mandamah Stage 2 - 4 Construction Report be received and noted.

Report prepared by the Operations Manager

COUNCIL OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

That the Mandamah Stage 2 - 4 Construction Report be received and noted.

ALIGNMENT WITH BUSINESS ACTIVITY STRATEGIC PLAN

02 Maximising Regional Water Supply

BACKGROUND

The Mandamah Rural Water Supply Scheme will expand Goldenfields Water County Council supply network by approximately 180 kilometres and provide essential water services to farmers and residents across more than 90,000 hectares in the Mandamah region west of Barmedman.

Stage 1 was officially opened on the 4th of July 2019, consisting of 66kms of mains, 2 reservoirs and a pump station, supplying 23 connections with the remaining 3 stages and 50 connections to be completed by June 2022.

REPORT

Construction and commissioning of stage 2 has been completed (58,224 metres).

Stage 3 consists of approx. 45,000 mtrs in total and 21,000 mtrs has been constructed with only minor delays due to weather and mechanical breakdowns.

Construction rates are still tracking at approximately: \$30 per metre compared to a conservative NSW Reference Rate of approximately: \$127 per metre.

Mandamah construction is still progressing ahead of schedule and under budget.

FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT

The recommendation does not impact on Council's financial position.

ATTACHMENTS: Nil

TABLED ITEMS: Nil

14.3. MATTERS SUBMITTED BY PRODUCTION AND SERVICES MANAGER

14.3.1. WATER PRODUCTION REPORT

BOARD RESOLUTION

21/013 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs McCann and Sinclair that the Water Production Report be received and noted.

Report prepared by Production and Services Manager

COUNCIL OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

That the Water Production Report be received and noted.

ALIGNMENT WITH BUSINESS ACTIVITY STRATEGIC PLAN

03 Strategic Water Management

BACKGROUND

Goldenfields Water provides the essential water requirements of about 40,000 people spread over an area in excess of 20,000 square kilometres between the Lachlan & Murrumbidgee Rivers in the South West of NSW.

Goldenfields Waters' supply system consists of five separate water schemes, Jugiong, Oura, Mt Arthur, Mt Daylight and Hylands Bridge. Goldenfields Water carries out water supply functions within the Local Government areas of Bland, Coolamon, Cootamundra, Hilltops, Junee, Temora, and parts of Narrandera and Wagga Wagga.

Hilltops Shire Council, Cootamundra Gundagai Shire Council and Riverina Water County Council are retailers, who purchase bulk water from Goldenfields and supply the water to retail customers in their respective local government areas.

REPORT

Jugiong drinking Water Scheme

The Jugiong drinking water scheme sources water from the Murrumbidgee River and has an extraction licence entitlement of 5590ML per annum. Water from the Murrumbidgee River is treated through a 40ML/day, conventional Water Treatment Plant that consists of: Coagulation, Flocculation, Clarification, Filtration, Disinfection and Fluoridation.

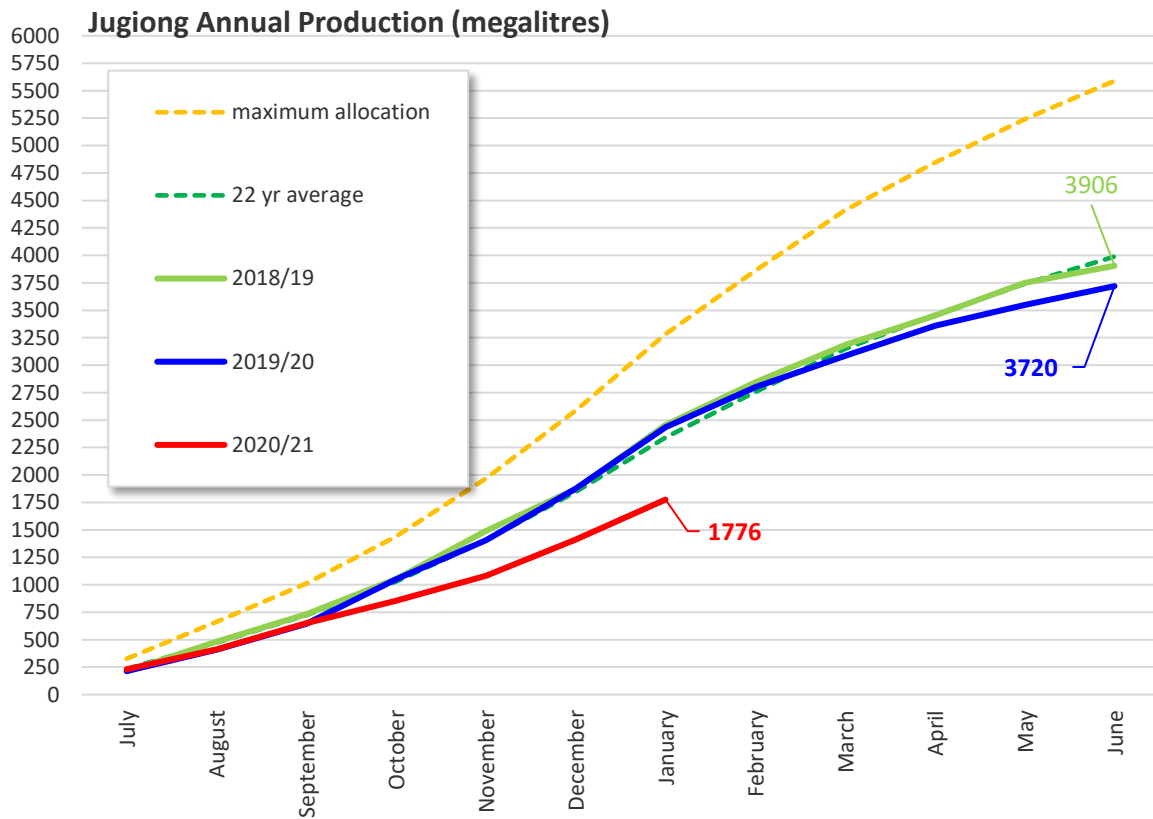
The Jugiong Scheme has 14 sets of reservoirs and 8 pumping stations. The Jugiong Scheme supplies bulk water to the Hilltops and Cootamundra-Gundagai Regional Councils for supply to the townships of Cootamundra, Harden and Young with a population of approximately 6800, 2200 and 8000 respectively.

Goldenfields Water also provides additional retail supply to approximately 600 customers in the villages of Stockinbingal, Wallendbeen and Springdale.

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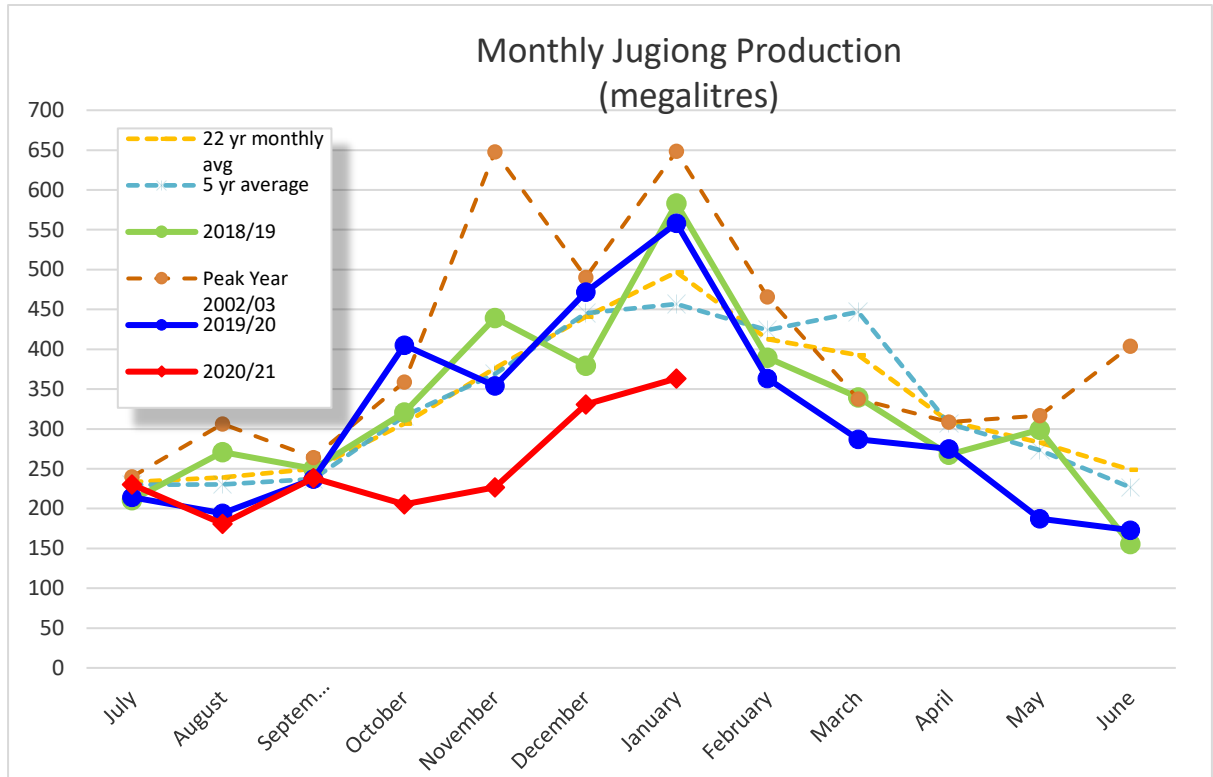
Jugiong annual water production is trending lower to previous years.

For the first 7 months of the 2020/21 financial year, 1776ML of water has been extracted from the Murrumbidgee River and processed at the Jugiong Water Treatment plant. Totals for each month are as follows: July 230.19ML, August 180.95ML, September 238.32ML, October 205.48ML, November 180.95 ML, December 331ML and January 363ML. As compared to the same period in 2019/20 where 2435ML was produced, this is a 659ML reduction compared to the same period in 2019/20, as indicated by the graph below.



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As mentioned above, Jugiong monthly water production has decreased. As indicated below October 2020 through to January 2021 has seen a significant decrease in monthly production, this is due mainly to high rainfall and cooler than usual weather during spring and summer.

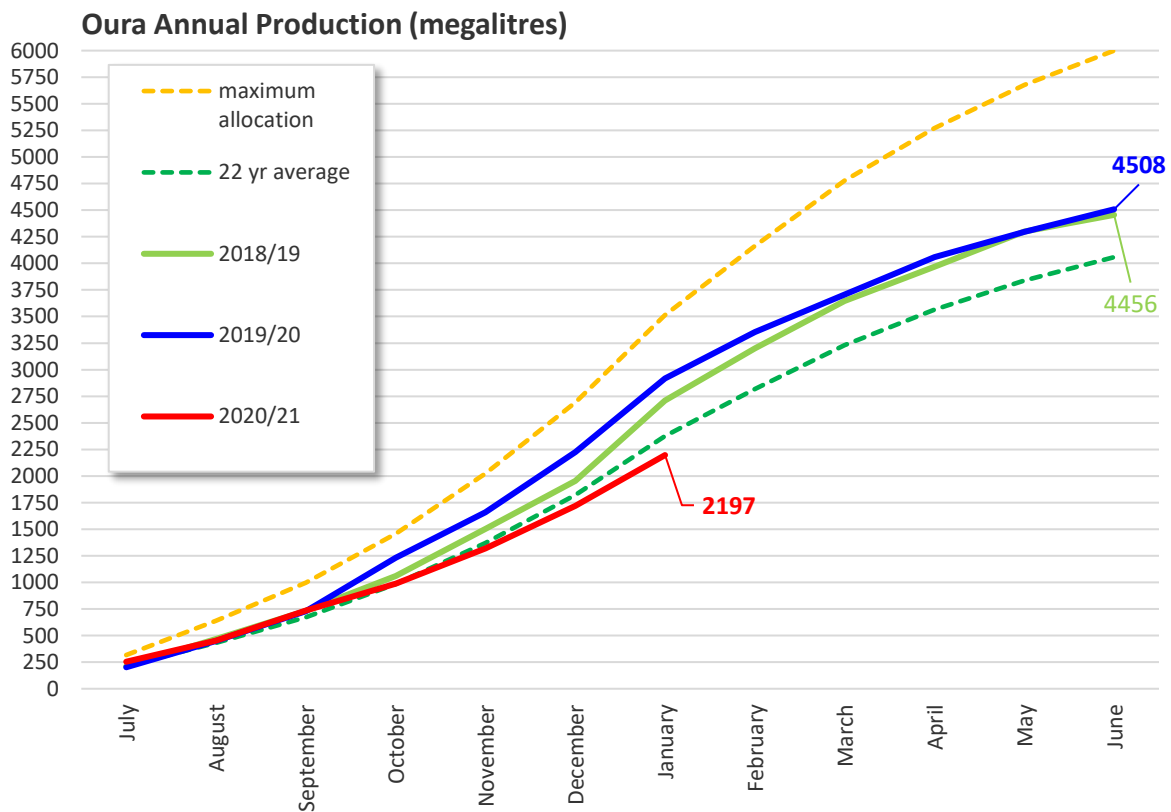


Oura Drinking Water Scheme

The water source at Oura is the Murrumbidgee inland alluvial aquifer, this water is extracted from 4 bores namely: Bores 2, 3, 4 and 6. The raw water then goes through a treatment process at the Oura Water Treatment Plant that includes Aeration, Disinfection and Fluoridation.

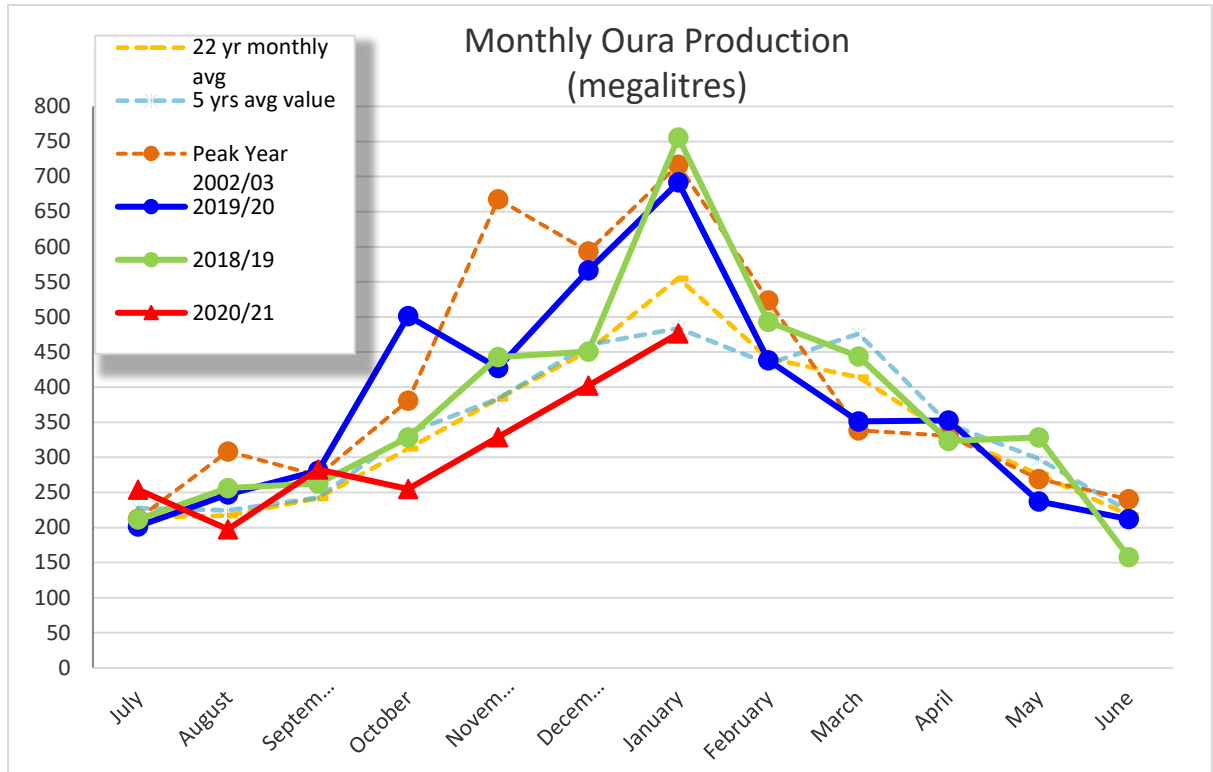
The Oura scheme has 33 sets of reservoirs and 19 pumping stations, produces drinking water for approximately 14,600 people in the Bland, Coolamon, Junee, Narrandera and Temora Shires. The Oura scheme can also supply water to the Northern side of the rural area of Wagga Wagga City when required.

For the first 7 months of the 2020/21 financial year, 2197ML of water has been extracted from the Oura Borefield and processed at the Oura Water Treatment Plant. Totals for each month are as follows: July 253ML, August 197ML, September 282ML, October 254ML, November 329ML, December 402ML and January 476ML. This is a 24.68% or 720ML reduction as compared to the same period in 2019/20 where 2917ML was produced. This is depicted in the graph below, although a reduction still trending in a similar fashion to historical years.



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As mentioned above, Oura monthly water production has reduced by 24.68% compared to the same period in 2019/20. Similarly the period from October 2020 to January 2021 has seen a decrease in production from the Oura Bores. This is due mainly to high rainfall and cooler than usual weather during spring and summer.

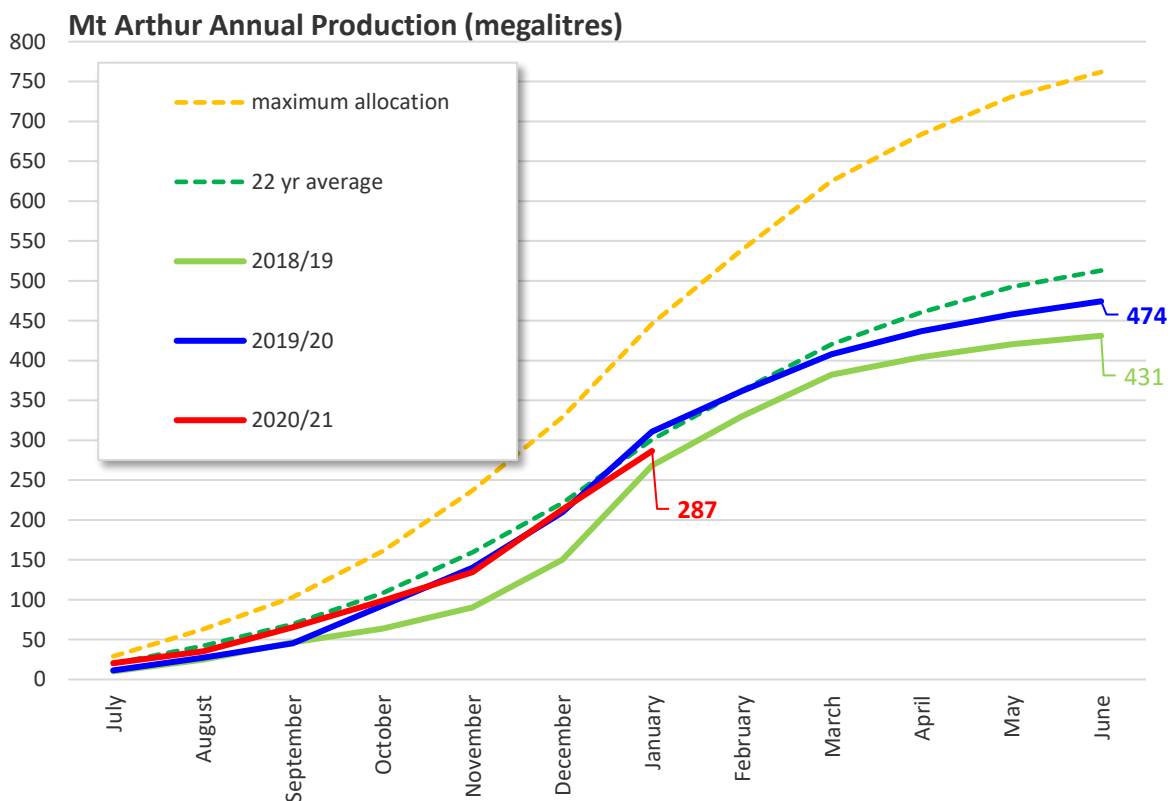


Mount Arthur Drinking Water Scheme

The Mount Arthur Water Source is from the Lachlan Fold belt Aquifer System. The water is extracted via two bores, bores 1 and 2 located in the Wagga Wagga City Council area South of Matong. The water is disinfected before distribution through 9 sets of reservoirs supplying approximately 2400 people with water in the Coolamon shire.

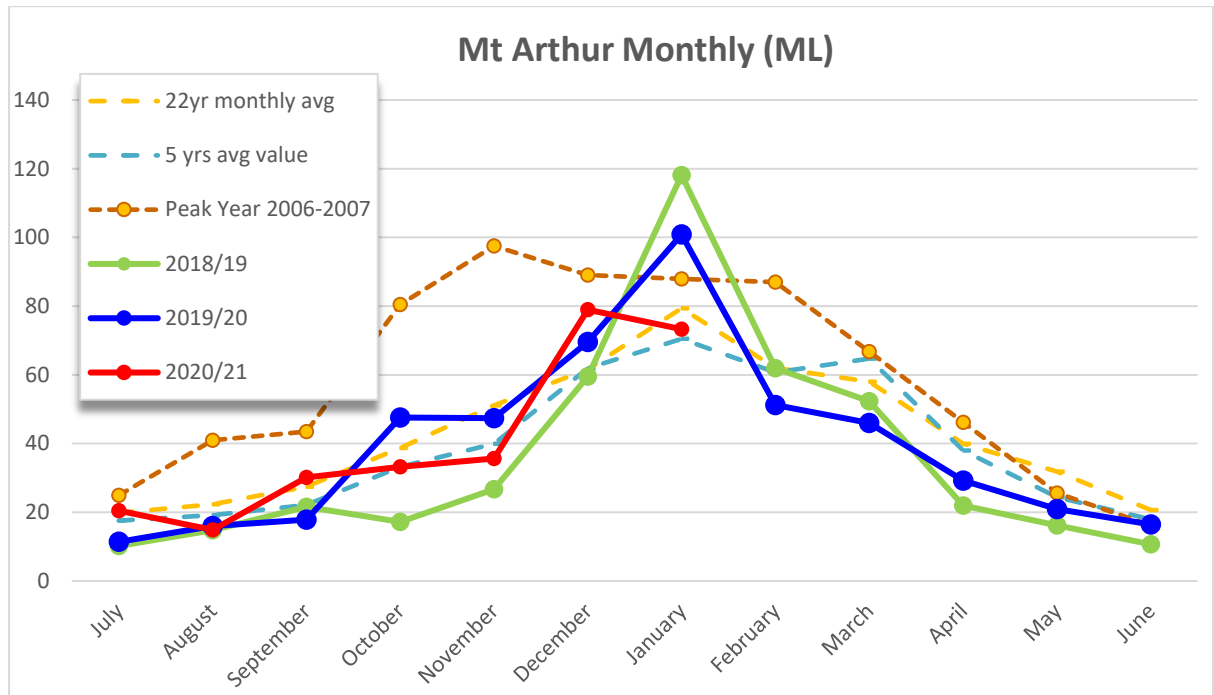
It should be noted that a new Bore 1 is currently being developed to replace the existing Bore site and associated assets. Upon completion, testing and commissioning of the new Bore 1, the old bore will be decommissioned and removed. Water quality and hydraulic capacity requirements appear to be positive at this stage; however actual confirmation of this cannot be known until full commissioning of the bore occurs.

For the first 7 months of the 2020/21 financial year, 287ML of water has been extracted from the Mt Arthur Borefield. Totals for each month are as follows: July 20.44 ML, August 14.87 ML, September 30.18 ML, October 33.23ML, November 35.67ML, December 79ML and January 73ML. This is a reduction compared to the first 7 months for 2019/20 where 310ML was produced. As can be seen in the graph below trending in a similar fashion to historical years.



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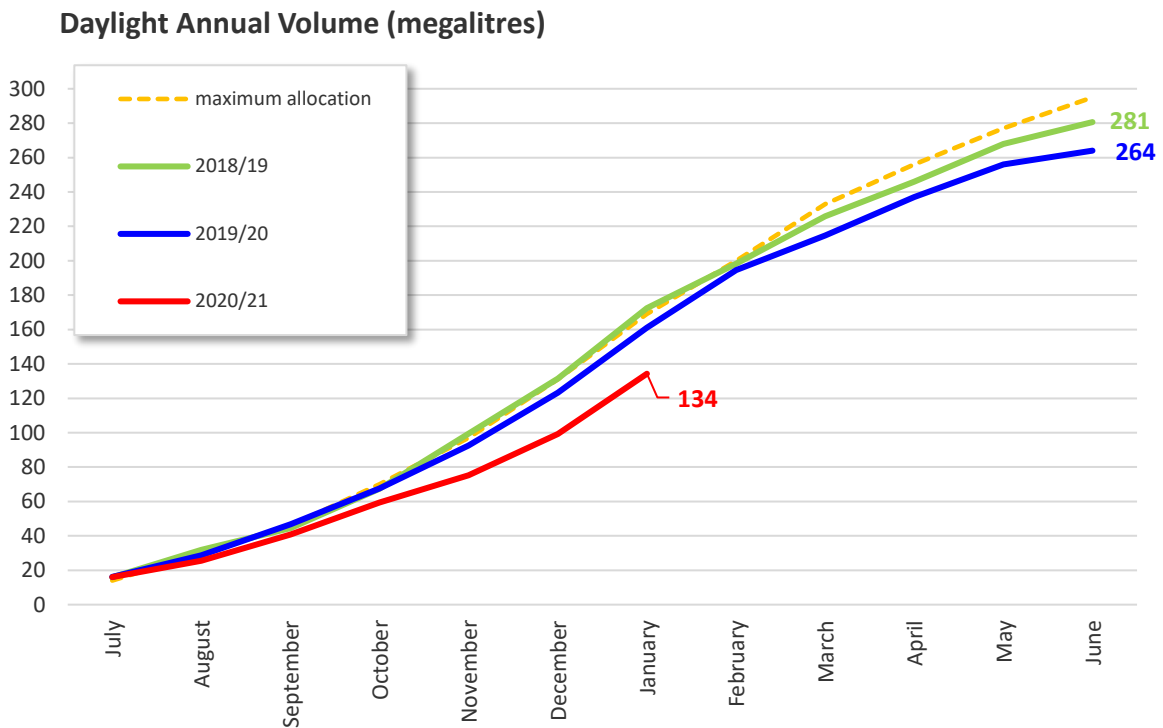
Mt Arthur monthly water production for the first 7 months of the financial year has been variable and not trending as it has in previous years. This is due mainly to high rainfall and cooler than usual weather during spring and summer.



Mount Daylight Drinking Water Scheme

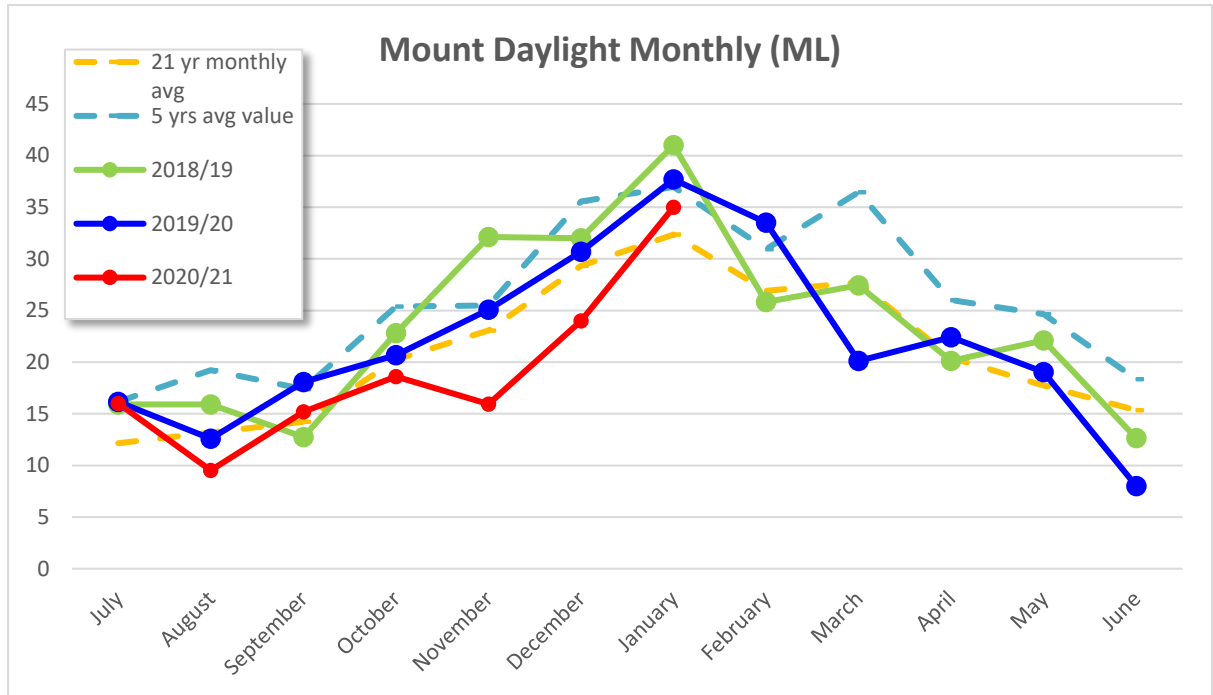
The Mount Daylight water source is from the Lower Lachlan alluvium aquifer. The Mount Daylight bores are jointly operated with Carathool Shire Council. Carathool Shire Council is responsible for bore management. There are 7 sets of reservoirs in the Mt Daylight scheme. Mt Daylight supplies water to approximately 125 people in the villages of Naradhan, Weethalle and Tallimba which is located within the Bland Shire.

For the first 7 months of the 2020/21 financial year, 134ML of water has been extracted from the Mt Daylight Borefield. Totals for each month are as follows: July 16.01 ML, August 9.52 ML, September 15.2 ML, October 18.6ML, November 15.94ML, December 24ML and January 35ML. This is a lower volume compared to the same period for 2019/20 where 161ML was produced. As can be seen in the graph below trending in a similar fashion to historical years.



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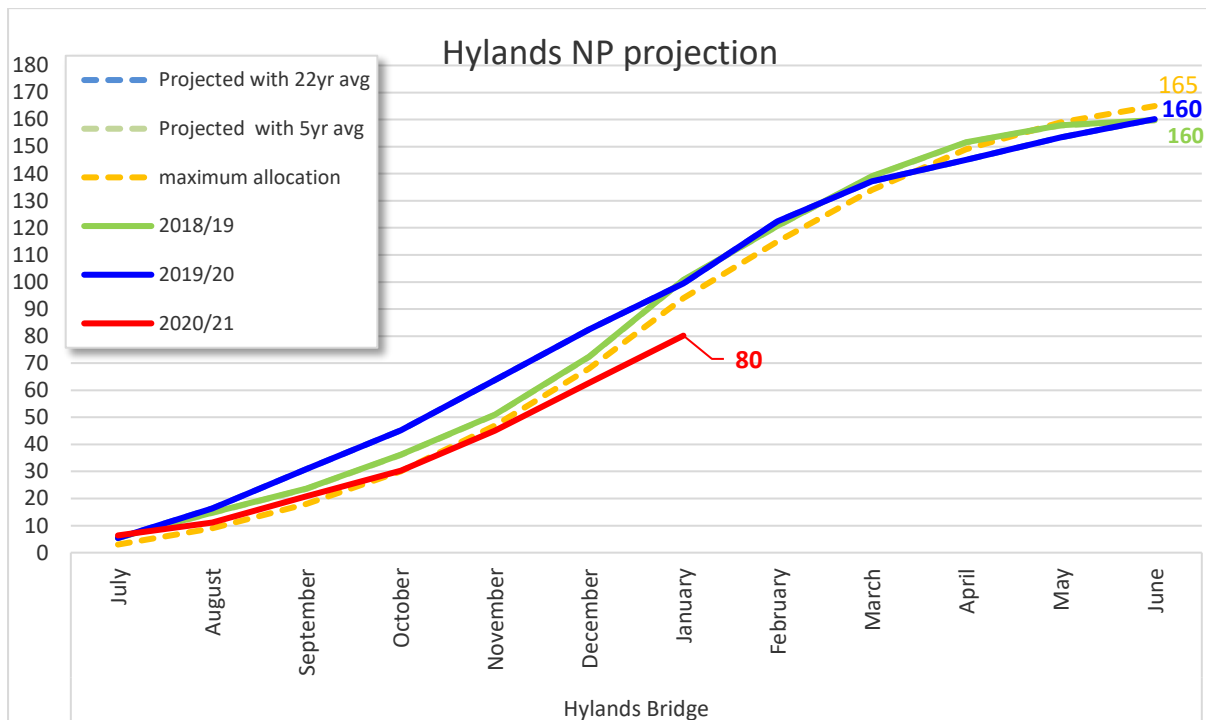
As mentioned above, the Mt Daylight monthly water production is trending at a reduced rate than previous year's period. This is simply due to higher than average rainfall and colder weather during spring and summer.



Hylands Bridge - Non Potable

Hylands Bridge supplies Non Potable water to Barellan and Binya. The water is sourced through the Murrumbidgee Irrigation Area where Goldenfields Water holds 165ML shareholding for water entitlement.

For the first 7 months of the 2020/21 financial year, 80ML of water has been extracted from the Hylands Bridge Raw Water scheme. Totals for each month are as follows: July 6.37ML, August 4.71ML, September 9.65ML, October 9.46ML, November 14.82ML, December 17.59ML and January 17.53ML. This is a reduced volume compared to the first 7 months for 2019/20 financial year where 99.44ML was produced. As can be seen in the graph below trending in a similar fashion to historical years.



FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT

The recommendation does not impact on Council's financial position.

ATTACHMENTS: Nil

TABLED ITEMS: Nil

14.3.2. INTEGRATED WATER CYCLE MANAGEMENT

BOARD RESOLUTION

21/014 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Callow and McCann that the Board:

1. Accept the update provided for the development of an Integrated Water Cycle Management Strategy.
2. Accept the offer from Public Works Advisory for an upper limiting fee of \$450,000
3. Include an additional \$50,000 adjustment into the 2020/21 operational budget

Report prepared by Manager Production & Services

COUNCIL OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

That the Board:

1. Accept the update provided for the development of an Integrated Water Cycle Management Strategy.
2. Accept the offer from Public Works Advisory for an upper limiting fee of \$450,000
3. Include an additional \$50,000 adjustment into the 2020/21 operational budget

ALIGNMENT WITH BUSINESS ACTIVITY STRATEGIC PLAN

03 Strategic Water Management

BACKGROUND

Goldenfields Water has been working on developing their first Integrated Water Cycle Management Strategy (IWCM) since 2016/17. Staff have previously engaged multiple consultants, including but not limited to WaterOz and GHD to try and complete an Issues Paper for acceptance by the Department of Primary Industry & Environment (DPIE). In addition to the utilisation of consultants to complete a Draft Issues Paper, staff also undertook and completed a Draft in-house. With each of these attempts a request for a significant amount of additional information was required by DPIE before it would be accepted to proceed to the strategy phase of the project.

Therefore, in 2018, staff engaged Public Works Advisory (PWA) to undertake the facilitation and development of a Draft Integrated Water Cycle Management (IWCM) Issues Paper and strategy scoping document, as they had appeared to be the only external company gaining approvals through the state regulator. In addition to this, PWA was also engaged by a majority if not all of our constituent Councils to do the same and it was assumed that efficiencies and greater integration of strategic planning would be gained.

The Draft Issues Paper and associated IWCM Project Reference Group (PRG) meetings were completed in July 2020. The Issues Paper was then submitted to Department of Primary Industry & Environment (DPIE) for review and comment prior to the nominated deadline for feedback in September 2020. No feedback was received and assumed concurrence of the paper has been accepted.

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During the development of the IWCM Issues Paper, a number of additional works were also being undertaken in isolation to ensure that the overall project deliverables were continuing without waiting for regulatory approvals to proceed. These works included, but were not limited to:

- Development of Piping & Instrumentation Diagrams (P&ID's),
- A new Asset Management Framework and Policy
- Asset register revaluation and development of asset class management plans,
- 30 year capital delivery program
- Strategic planning works for;
 - Oura Water Treatment Facility, including 30 year long term growth scenarios, and
 - Jugiong Water Treatment Facility infrastructure review and 30 year long term planning scenarios.

The below table provides a list of all determined and agreed to “issues” that have been developed in consultation with all constituent councils, NSW Health, NSW EPA and DPIE. Each item has been categorised into each relevant scheme and/or the general business areas of the council.

Issue Type	Target for Compliance	Issue
Regulatory	Fluoridation of Public Water Supplies Act	The Mt Arthur and Mt Daylight potable water schemes are not fluoridated.
Levels of Service	Objectives and targets	Council needs to review the levels of service targets and performance indicators and discuss these with the community GWCC have advised they would like to better define the priority level definitions to have more quantitative criteria, such as defined quantities of water and number of customers
	Service Level Agreement	GWCC does not hold a SLA with either Hilltops Council or Riverina Water County Council, who are bulk supply customers. GWCC have advised that they have contacted NSW Health to fund and facilitate the development of these as a requirement of their DWMS
	Increase in frequency of peak demand days	The NSW and ACT Regional Climate Modelling (NARClIM) project estimated that by 2030 the Murray Murrumbidgee is projected to experience an average of 8 more days above 35°C per year and continue to rise to 23 days per year by 2070. This will increase the number of peak demand days, which may impact the ability to meet the target level of service for system reliability
Asset performance	Infrastructure renewals ratio	The infrastructure renewals ratio for water supply assets is significantly less than the benchmark value of 100%, which means that renewals are not keeping pace with depreciation, which is unsustainable. A criticality review of the assets using a risk-based approach, is recommended to prioritise condition assessments and asset renewals.
	Asset condition - reservoirs	There are many outstanding reservoir issues, both external (relating to entry hatch, roof platforms, bird proofing, handrails etc.) and internal (ladder, walls, floor etc.). Some

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Issue Type	Target for Compliance	Issue
		reservoirs are overdue for inspection, some as far back as 2003.
	Asset Management Plan	The AMP was prepared in 2012 and does not reflect the current asset inventory.
Demand management	Water Restrictions	For the Oura, Mt Arthur and Hylands Bridge schemes, during the years 2004/05 to 2006/07 when restrictions were in place water production was higher than the modelled unrestricted demands. GWCC advises this could be due to additional demand from stock and domestic users who would normally rely on rainwater for their water needs. The restriction policy needs to be reviewed to regulate demand from stock and domestic users.
Best Practice	Low chlorine residual	Due to recurring low levels of free chlorine (< 0.2 mg/L), the distribution system of the following towns/villages should be inspected annually: Barellan, Coolamon, Illabo, Matong, Stockingbal, Springdale, Wantabadgery. Due to recurring low levels of free chlorine (< 0.05 mg/L), the distribution system of the following towns/villages should be inspected 4-monthly: Temora, Grong Grong, Weethalle, Tallimba.
Work Health and Safety	WHS issues at GWCC sites	Several WHS issues were identified at GWCC's sites by Safety Australia Group, including issues with signing, blocked fire equipment, and loose electrical leads
Jugiong Water Supply Scheme		
Connection to Boorowa	Ownership of assets	HC has expressed interest in connecting Boorowa to GWCC's Jugiong Scheme. It is unknown how the supply to Boorowa will be delivered from GWCC; in terms of connection and responsibility / ownership of assets.
Water security	Licensed entitlement allocation during drought	If the 50% reduction in LWU water allocation experienced during the Millennium Drought were to repeat, and extend for an entire year instead of ending after 3 months, GWCC would not have sufficient entitlement to meet the dry year demands. This should be considered in GWCC's emergency response plan. The licensed entitlement is not expected to be exceeded in a dry year in the 30-year planning horizon for the current supply arrangement. However, if the allocation is reduced by 10% due to drought, the dry year demands would exceed the licensed entitlement by 2039
	Licensed entitlement connection of Boorowa	The WAL entitlement for Boorowa, currently owned by Hilltops Council, would not be able to be transferred to GWCC for use in the Jugiong Scheme as the two use different water. This is a risk to GWCC as the Boorowa scheme will put additional demand on the Jugiong Scheme, without any additional water entitlement. Analysis shows that if the Boorowa water supply was connected to the Jugiong scheme, and if the allocation is reduced by 10% due to drought, the dry year demands would exceed the licensed entitlement by 2022
Supply reliability	Headworks capacity	The capacity of the Jugiong WTP (40 ML/d) is not exceeded over the 30-year horizon even with the inclusion of the Boorowa supply. However, the estimated peak day

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Issue Type	Target for Compliance	Issue
		production exceeds the pump rate of the duty and the standby raw water pumps.
WTP Performance	Raw water quality - turbidity	Water quality in the Murrumbidgee river can change rapidly when water is released from Burrinjuck Dam. There is a raw water turbidity meter than can initiate shutdown of the treatment plant if a rapid rise in turbidity is detected. GWCC has identified that additional Clear Water Storage should be considered at the plant to maintain supply during extended periods of plant shutdown.
	Raw water quality - pathogens	The major water quality risks are from STP overflows, OSSMS, livestock/wildlife access and rapid changes in raw water quality.
	Filter performance	CWT identified that under higher raw water turbidity, treated water from Jugiong WTP can reach 1 NTU or higher, which can reduce the efficiency of chlorine disinfection and the risk of Cryptosporidium or Giardia cysts passing through the filters
	Health-based Targets	The town of Jugiong, which is just upstream of Jugiong WTP, has several OSSMS and is in the floodplain, which may necessitate categorising the catchment as high vulnerability if HBTs are implemented
Public Health	Issues related to chlorination	A large number of issues were identified in a report by Atom consulting into chlorine issues in the distribution system of the Jugiong Scheme. These included areas of low free chlorine, and issues of high water age, lack of monitoring, cast iron mains, and lack of appropriate re-chlorination.
		Operational monitoring indicates there have been some incidences of high pH and low residual chlorine in the extremities of the Oura, Mt Daylight and Mt Arthur drinking water schemes
Oura Water Supply Scheme		
Performance	Non-revenue water	The NRW water for the Oura scheme is estimated to be about 530 L/connection/day which is higher than the statewide median of 92 L/connection/day
	Wagga Wagga SAP	Potential Issue - RWCC have indicated that they would like to consider increasing the bulk supply from GWCC's Oura system to RWCC's system to supply part of the demand of the planned Wagga Wagga SAP (2,800 ML/year). This could put significant pressure on GWCC's headworks and distribution system, and the volume supplied by GWCC will have to be limited so that their licensed entitlement is not exceeded.
Regulatory	Water Management Act – Wagga Alluvial Groundwater Source	Potential Issue: The long-term average annual extraction limit (LTAAEL) for the Wagga Wagga Alluvial Groundwater Source is lower than the combined WAL entitlements for Riverina Water County Council (RWCC) and GWCC. If the LTAAEL is exceeded there is a potential that GWCC will have its allocation reduced. This will require coordination between RWCC and GWCC.
Levels of Service	Compliance for aesthetic parameters	Elevated levels of iron and manganese have been identified in the raw water, which can cause discoloured water complaints throughout high demand periods. This is reflected by the high number of dirty water complaints in the Oura scheme.

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Issue Type	Target for Compliance	Issue
		HunterH2O have reported that the current aeration system requires refurbishment and improvements to limit the degree of short-circuiting which leads to reduced efficiency in achieving the required iron and manganese oxidation and removal
	Pressure issues	GWCC have advised that there are low pressure issues in West Wyalong and Junee, which has impacted on development opportunities Ongoing pressure issues are not reliably captured by looking at complaints register, as customers do not tend to make complaints when low pressure is an everyday occurrence. Due to the complexity and hydraulic interconnectivity of the various supply areas, headworks and storage within the scheme, a hydraulic model is required to assess pressure issues.
	Supply during service interruption	The reservoir storage volume at Eurongilly and Temora are less than one peak day demand, which may indicate an issue in supplying demand if there is an interruption to supply.
WTP Performance	Contamination of potable water from raw water scheme	The Oura drinking water scheme can be connected to GWCC's Hylands Bridge non-potable water scheme at Barellan. This was identified as a risk in the 2017 DWMS Risk assessment, and a report was developed on the non-potable system and its potential for cross-contamination In GWCC's Action and Improvement Plan there is an action for GWCC to consider, investigate and install the most suitable backflow prevention device on the connection
	Raw water quality	The major water quality risks for the Oura bores are contamination during a flood, unrestricted livestock access to location of bores, and contamination due to seepage of pathogens from OSSMS
	Insufficient chlorine contact time	It is calculated that the minor consumers supplied from the pipeline between Oura WTP and the Junee Balance may not receive water that has achieved the minimum C.t. of 15 mg.min/L.
	Asset age	Council has advised that many of the assets are at the end of their useful life, including aeration and reservoir
Public Health	Issues related to chlorination	The Cardno report on the Oura scheme assets identified that at the current typical winter demand, water at the outlet of the Junee Balance Tanks will have been in the rising main and reservoirs for approximately 2.4 days. This may lead to issues in maintaining chlorine residuals in the network
	PFAS	PFAS have entered the groundwater at the Wagga RAAF Base. The minimum time estimated until PFAS reaches the Oura borefield is in 110 years. PFAS are an emerging contaminant, with international research yet to fully determine any human health effects related to exposure
Performance	Oura pump station capacity	It is estimated that the maximum capacity of the Oura Pump Station could already be exceeded on a peak day.
	Oura Headworks issues	Cardno identified several issues with the Oura headworks, including transformers and pumps near end of useful life, existing surge tanks do not provide sufficient mitigation of surge in the pipeline and are also potential water quality risks
Mt Arthur Water Supply Scheme		

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Issue Type	Target for Compliance	Issue
Levels of Service	Compliance for aesthetic parameters	Elevated levels of iron and manganese have been identified in the raw water, which can cause discoloured water complaints throughout high demand periods. This is reflected by the high number of dirty water complaints in the Mt Arthur scheme.
	Supply during service interruption	The reservoir storage volume at Ganmain is less than one peak day demand, which may indicate an issue in supplying demand if there is an interruption to supply.
Performance	Non-revenue water	There are some previous negative NRW values calculated for the 2014/15 and 2015/16 financial years, and the more recent NRW is quite low (1% of production) which may indicate that production is being under-read
WTP Performance	Raw water quality	The major water quality risks for the Mt Arthur Bores are surface water ingress and contamination due to seepage of pathogens from OSSMS
My Daylight Scheme		
Performance	Non-revenue water	The NRW could not be calculated given the issues with the production data from Carrathool bores.
WTP Performance	Raw water quality	The aquifer is hydraulically connected to the surface water which exposes the water to the high catchment risks including pathogens from surface water ingress, and seepage from on-site sewage management systems.
		The major water quality risks for the Mt Daylight Bores are surface water ingress and contamination due to seepage of pathogens from OSSMS.
Data Gap	Historical production data inaccurate and issues with NRW	GWCC's notes in the most recent production data that many reads were estimates or missing. The mass balance over these years resulted in negative NRW, indicating an error in the data. GWCC to review production data and mass balance.
Water security	Licensed Entitlement	The estimated dry year production from the Carrathool bores is very close to exceeding the licence entitlement. No growth is estimated in the GWCC Mt Daylight Scheme, however if the demand from CSC increases then the entitlement could be exceeded. The license is owned by CSC, so GWCC may want to pursue becoming a co-holder of the license to ensure that their share of the licensed entitlement is not reduced in the future.
	Sustainable yield of bores	The sustainable yield from the Carrathool bores in unknown
Hylands Bridge		
Water security	Licensed Entitlement	There were a number of years where the historical production has exceeded the licensed entitlement. It is estimated that this could occur again in a dry year. In the event that allocation is exceeded, shares can be purchased from other water users who own delivery entitlements in the Murrumbidgee Irrigation Area. However, unless these shares are classified under the LWU category they will not have the highest priority that is provided for town water supply and hence the availability during drought is not assured
Performance	Raw water pump station capacity	It is estimated that the capacity of the raw water pumps could already be exceeded on a peak day.

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Issue Type	Target for Compliance	Issue
	Non-revenue Water	The unit NRW of 240 L/connection/day is significantly higher than the 2015/16 state average NRW of 92 L/connection/day

Staff in conjunction with PWA have developed and submitted an IWCM Strategy Proposal to DPIE for request of funding through the Safe & Secure program. The proposal highlights a list of actions to be completed that will either seek to complete an investigation or complete an identified issue, which is listed above.

Goldenfields Water, as a County Council, is only entitled up to 25% funding allocation if successful. However, it should be noted that there are provisions for a Regional Town Water Strategy (RTWS) that could be entitled up to 75% funding. This RTWS was only developed on the provision of Joint Organisations (JO's) undertaking a regional strategy and given the area covered compared to a normal general purpose council, should be entitled to more funding as it includes multiple council areas.

Staff have raised a request to DPIE and through the Murrumbidgee Regional Water Strategy consultation process, and the new Town Water Risk Reduction Program, that County Councils should be given the same consideration as a JO and be entitled to likewise funding provisions, noting that Goldenfields Water crosses ten (10) Council areas, three (3) JO's and is only a non-voting member of the RIVJO. It is unlikely that we will be successful in the RTWS request noting funding policy obligations; however these discussions may instigate a greater level of respect for County Council operations and their criticality in Regional Water Strategies.

Noting the tabled IWCM Strategy Proposal has an estimated cost for works at around \$450,000, It is prudent for Council to understand its procurement obligations. PWA are a state owned entity and Council could engage them through an exemption under Section 55(3)(b) of the Local Government Act which was done for the Issues Paper. Staff have unsuccessfully utilised alternate consulting agencies to gain agreement for IWCM works and costs have been essentially very similar to PWA. Therefore, staff will be recommending the engagement of PWA through the exemption of tendering requirements for the completion of the IWCM Strategy to a value of \$450,000.

Noting how prescriptive the requirements of achieving approval for an IWCM Strategy is, council officers would recommend that funding be accepted at the 25% if successful which will equate to a cost of \$112,500 . If successful, this funding will be the first time Goldenfields Water has ever received funding from a state government initiative. All historical funding successes have come from federal government programs with all state applications being previously declined.

Whether funding is successful or not, these works must be undertaken to ensure the future long term operations of Goldenfields Water are secured and appropriately planned for. Therefore, Staff are recommending to proceed with the engagement of PWA for the estimated \$450,000 immediately, if funding is successful or not.

FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT

The recommendation requires an additional \$450,000 to be obtained from reserves within the operational budget. Staff believe the program will be delivered over a 12 to 18 month period which will required split budget allocation between financial years. That being, \$50,000 in 2020/21 financial year and \$400,000 for the 2021/22 financial year.

ATTACHMENTS: Nil

TABLED ITEMS:

IWCM Strategy Proposal

IWCM Issues Paper

14.4. MATTERS SUBMITTED BY THE GENERAL MANAGER

14.4.1. LOCAL GOVERNMENT NSW WATER MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE

BOARD RESOLUTION

21/015 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs McGlynn and McCann that the Board:

- 1. Nominate attendees for the Local Government NSW Water Management Conference**
- 2. Approve the attendance of the General Manager**

The Chairperson and the Deputy Chairperson were nominated to attend.

Report prepared by General Manager

COUNCIL OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

That the Board:

1. Nominate attendees for the Local Government NSW Water Management Conference
2. Approve the attendance of the General Manager

ALIGNMENT WITH BUSINESS ACTIVITY STRATEGIC PLAN

03 Strategic Water Management

BACKGROUND

The annual Local Government NSW Water Management Conference presents a broad range of information from a local government perspective on water management, issues associated with water supply and sewerage services provided by water utilities.

REPORT

The Local Government NSW Water Management Conference will be held in Narrabri from Wednesday 7 to Friday 9 July 2021.

At the time of preparing this report the program for the event had not been released.

Nominations for attendance are sought from the Board to allow registration and booking arrangements to be made.

FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT

The recommendation does not impact on Council's financial position.

ATTACHMENTS: Nil

TABLED ITEMS: Nil

14.4.2. COMMUNITY SERVICE AND SUPPORT POLICY

BOARD RESOLUTION

21/016 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Callow and Sinclair that the Board adopts the revised PP037 Community Service and Support Policy.

Report prepared by Community Education and Engagement Officer

COUNCIL OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

That the Board adopts the revised PP037 Community Service and Support Policy.

ALIGNMENT WITH BUSINESS ACTIVITY STRATEGIC PLAN

05 Proactive Customer Relations

BACKGROUND

In April 2000, the Goldenfields Board resolved to support the communities within its footprint through both the donation of access charges to community groups and service organisations, and \$200 annually to each school for student prizes and awards.

During the 2019/2020 financial year Goldenfields provided the following donations:

Access Charge Donations \$159,519

Schools \$ 14,200

Additional to these donations in line with Council's policy, was the donation of Drinking Water re-fill stations to constituent councils totalling \$46,486.00, as part of Goldenfields Community Engagement Strategy.

REPORT

An audit of Goldenfields policies identified the Community Service and Support Policy overdue for review.

The policy is presented in an updated format and policy numbering, however, without any proposed changes to content at this time.

Goldenfields Community Engagement Strategy will be reviewed in sync with the Integrated Planning and Reporting cycle due for adoption prior to June 2022.

In conjunction with the new Community Engagement Strategy, the Community Service and Support Policy will be reviewed at that time to ensure it supports the strategies outlined within new Community Engagement Strategy.

FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT

The recommendation does not impact on Council's financial position, budget allocation for donations will remain the same.

ATTACHMENTS: PP037 Community Service and Support Policy

TABLED ITEMS: Nil

14.4.3. PP031 CODE OF CONDUCT POLICY AND ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES

BOARD RESOLUTION

21/017 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Sinclair and McCann that Council adopt PP031 Code of Conduct and P019 Administrative Procedures for the Code of Conduct.

Cr McGlynn was opposed.

Report prepared by Human Resources Coordinator

COUNCIL OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

That Council adopt PP031 Code of Conduct and P019 Administrative Procedures for the Code of Conduct.

ALIGNMENT WITH BUSINESS ACTIVITY STRATEGIC PLAN

07 Efficient operations

BACKGROUND

The Model Code of Conduct for Local Councils in NSW and the associated Procedures for the administration of the Model Code of Conduct for Local Councils in NSW were amended in 2020 by the Office of Local Government. Councils must adopt the new Model Code of Conduct and Procedures.

REPORT

PP031 Code of Conduct and P019 Administrative Procedures for the Code of Conduct have been updated in accordance with the Model documents.

The key changes are:

- Amendments to the process for censuring Councillors where breaches of the Code of Conduct occur.
- Panels of conduct reviewers are able to be appointed without a resolution of Council.
- Amended rules governing the acceptance of gifts and benefits.
- Updated language used to describe the various heads of discrimination.

- Updated definitions of council committee and council committee members, members of audit, risk and improvement committees (ARICs) in anticipation of the commencement of the requirement for all councils to appoint an ARIC following the next local government elections.

FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT

The recommendation does not impact on Council's financial position.

ATTACHMENTS:

PP031 Code of Conduct

P019 Administrative procedures for the Code of Conduct

TABLED ITEMS: Nil

14.4.4. PP010 GIFTS AND BENEFITS POLICY

BOARD RESOLUTION

21/018 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Sinclair and McGlynn That Council adopt the updated PP010 Gifts and Benefits Policy.

Report prepared by Human Resources Coordinator

COUNCIL OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

That Council adopt the updated PP010 Gifts and Benefits Policy.

ALIGNMENT WITH BUSINESS ACTIVITY STRATEGIC PLAN

07 Efficient operations

BACKGROUND

PP010 Gifts and Benefits Policy establishes clear guidelines for dealing with Gifts and Benefits to ensure fair, transparent and independent processes within Goldenfields Water.

REPORT

As a result of the 2020 amendments to the Model Code of Conduct and its administrative procedures, amendments have been made to PP010 Gifts and Benefits Policy.

The key changes are:

- The \$50 cap on the value of gifts that may be accepted increased to \$100.
- Clarification that items with a value of \$10 or less are not "gifts or benefits" for the purposes of the Policy and do not need to be disclosed.
- Removal of the cap on the value of meals and refreshments that may be accepted by council officials in conjunction with the performance of their official duties.

FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT

The recommendation does not impact on Council's financial position.

ATTACHMENTS:

PP010 Gifts and Benefits Policy

TABLED ITEMS: Nil

14.4.5. DELIVERY PROGRAM PROGRESS REPORT

BOARD RESOLUTION

21/019 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs McCann and Callow That Council's July - December 2020 Delivery Program Progress Report be received and noted.

Report prepared by General Manager

COUNCIL OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

That Council's July - December 2020 Delivery Program Progress Report be received and noted.

ALIGNMENT WITH BUSINESS ACTIVITY STRATEGIC PLAN

07 Efficient Operations

BACKGROUND

Section 404 of the Local Government Act 1993, requires Council to provide a delivery program progress report at least every 6 months.

REPORT

Council's July-December 2020 Delivery Program Progress Report has been included as an attached item.

FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT

The recommendation does not impact on Council's financial position.

ATTACHMENTS: July 2020-December 2020 Delivery Program Progress Report

TABLED ITEMS: Nil

14.4.6. DISCLOSURES BY COUNCILLORS AND DESIGNATED PERSONS' RETURN

BOARD RESOLUTION

21/020 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Sinclair and Callow that Council note the tabling of the Disclosures by Councillors and Designated Persons' Return described within the report.

Report prepared by General Manager

COUNCIL OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

That Council note the tabling of the Disclosures by Councillors and Designated Persons' Return described within the report.

ALIGNMENT WITH BUSINESS ACTIVITY STRATEGIC PLAN

07 Efficient Operations

BACKGROUND

Under section 6.21 of Goldenfields' Code of Conduct, councillors and designated persons must make and lodge with the general manager a return disclosing the councillor's or designated person's interests as specified in schedule 1 of the code within 3 months of the following:

- a) becoming a councillor or designated person, and*
- b) 30 June of each year, and*
- c) the councillor or designated person becoming aware of an interest they are required to disclose under schedule 1 that has not been previously disclosed in a return lodged under paragraphs (a) or (b).*

REPORT

Cr David McCann has lodged a Disclosure Return with the General Manager under paragraph (c).

The return is now tabled as per item 6.26 of Goldenfields' Code of Conduct.

Information contained in returns made and lodged under clause 6.21 is to be made publicly available in accordance with the requirements of the Government Information (Public Access) Act 2009, the Government Information (Public Access) Regulation 2009 and any guidelines issued by the Information Commissioner.

Councillors and staff are reminded that it is imperative their honesty and transparency is maintained at all times. A pecuniary interest return may be lodged at any time during the year should circumstances deem it necessary.

FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT

The recommendation does not impact on Council's financial position.

ATTACHMENTS: Nil

TABLED ITEMS: Disclosure of Interest Return – Cr D McCann

15. NEXT MEETING

The next ordinary meeting of Council is scheduled to be held on Thursday 22 April 2021 at 10.00am.

16. CLOSE OF BUSINESS

There being no further business requiring the attention of council the meeting was closed at 11.07am.