

**Minutes of the Meeting of GOLDENFIELDS WATER COUNTY COUNCIL held at
TEMORA OFFICE on 23 June 2022**

The meeting commenced at 10.00am

PRESENT

Cr M Stadtmiller, Cr B Callow, Cr A McAlister, Cr L McGlynn, Cr J Piper, Cr G Sinclair, Cr A White.

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE

Mr A Drenovski (General Manager), Mr J Chapman (Interim Corporate Services Manager)
Miss S Jung (Engineering Manager), Mrs A Coleman (Executive Assistant).

1. LEAVE OF ABSENCE/APOLOGIES

BOARD RESOLUTION

22/046 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Callow and Sinclair that Cr Morris be granted a leave of absence from the June and August 2022 meetings.

2. WEBCASTING OF COUNCIL MEETINGS

Attendees of this meeting are reminded that;

- a) The meeting is being recorded and made publicly available on Council's website, and
- b) Persons attending the meeting should refrain from making any defamatory statements.

3. STATEMENT OF ETHICAL OBLIGATIONS

Councillors are reminded of the oath or affirmation of office they have taken under section 233A of the Act.

The governing body of a county council is responsible for managing the affairs of the county council. Each councillor as a member of the governing body has a responsibility to make considered and well-informed decisions to ensure that the exercise of the functions of Goldenfields Water are performed to benefit the whole of the area of operations of Goldenfields Water.

In addition, Councillors are reminded of their obligations under council's code of conduct to disclose and appropriately manage conflicts of interest.

4. 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.

5. PRESENTATIONS

Nil

6. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTERESTS

Nil

7. DECLARATION OF NON-PECUNIARY INTERESTS

Cr McGlynn declared a non-pecuniary interest regarding the matters pertaining to the West Wyalong Water Reliability Project.

8. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF MEETINGS HELD ON 28 APRIL 2022

BOARD RESOLUTION

22/047 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Piper and McAlister that the minutes of the meetings held on the 28 April 2022, having been circulated and read by members be confirmed.

9. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

Nil

10. CORRESPONDENCE

Nil

11. MATTERS OF URGENCY

Nil

12. NOTICES OF MOTION / RESCISSION MOTIONS

Nil

13. CHAIRPERSON'S MINUTE

Nil

14. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – CONFIDENTIAL SESSION

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

22/048 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs White and Sinclair that Council move into **CONFIDENTIAL SESSION**.

15. MATTERS TO BE SUBMITTED TO CONFIDENTIAL SESSION

15.1. MATTERS SUBMITTED BY ENGINEERING MANAGER

15.1.1. WEST WYALONG WATER RELIABILITY PROJECT BUDGET

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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*

BOARD RESOLUTION

22/049 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Callow and McAlister that the Board:

1. **Note the information provided within the report**
2. **Agree to increase Council's contribution to the project to enable project completion**

15.1.2. WEST WYALONG WATER SYSTEM AUGMENTATION – RESERVOIR AND PUMP STATION CONSTRUCTION TENDER – 01/2022

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BOARD RESOLUTION

22/050 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs McAlister and Piper that:

1. **Pursuant to section 178(1)(b) of the *Local Government (General) Regulation 2021* ('Regulation'), the County Council declines to accept any of the tenders submitted in response to *Tender: 01/2022 – West Wyalong Water System Pressure Augmentation – Pump Station and Reservoir Construction* ('Tender').**
2. **Pursuant to section 178(3)(a) of the Regulation, the component of the contract the subject of the Tender relating to the construction of the pump station is cancelled.**

3. Pursuant to section 178(3)(e) of the Regulation, the General Manager, is to enter into negotiations with Quay Civil Pty Ltd and Precision Civil Infrastructure Pty Ltd on behalf of the County Council with a view to entering into a contract relating to the construction of the reservoir component and ancillary aspects of the Tender ('Reservoir Component').

4. Pursuant to section 178(4) of the Regulation, the reasons for not inviting fresh tenders for the Reservoir Component and entering into negotiations with Quay Civil Pty Ltd and Precision Civil Infrastructure Pty Ltd are:

(a) a further tender process would prejudice the County Council's ability to meet timing obligations for construction of the Reservoir Component under the Council's grant funding arrangements, and

(b) the County Council considers that the market for potential contractors to construct the Reservoir Component has been adequately tested through the Tender, and

(c) having regard to the information contained in the tenders submitted by Quay Civil Pty Ltd and Precision Civil Infrastructure Pty Ltd in response to the Tender, the County Council considers that there are reasonable prospects that negotiations will result in a contract for the construction of the Reservoir Component being entered into

15.1.3. WEST WYALONG WATER SYSTEM AUGMENTATION – PIPELINE

CONSTRUCTION TENDER 02/2022

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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,

BOARD RESOLUTION

22/051 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Sinclair and Piper that the Board:

1. Award the contract for the West Wyalong Water System Augmentation Pipeline Construction Tender to Precision Pipe Network Pty Ltd for \$4,956,320.61 excluding GST
2. Award Provisional Items for rock removal and DN300 pipeline material supply for the West Wyalong Water System Augmentation Pipeline Construction Tender to Precision Pipe Network Pty Ltd for an additional cost of \$923,008.09 excluding GST

BOARD RESOLUTION

22/052 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Sinclair and McAlister that that there being no further confidential items that the Board revert back to Open Session, and that the resolutions made in Confidential Session be made public.

The General Manager read out the resolution made in CONFIDENTIAL session.

16. MATTERS TO BE SUBMITTED TO OPEN COUNCIL

16.1. MATTERS SUBMITTED BY CORPORATE SERVICE MANAGER

16.1.1. COUNCIL CASH AND INVESTMENTS

BOARD RESOLUTION

22/053 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Callow and McGlynn that the report detailing Council Cash and Investments as at 31 May 2022 be received and noted.

Report prepared by Corporate Services Manager

COUNCIL OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

That the report detailing Council Cash and Investments as at 31 May 2022 be received and noted.

ALIGNMENT WITH BUSINESS ACTIVITY STRATEGIC PLAN

Priority 2 Customer Service Focus

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 2021.

REPORT

Council's cash and investment portfolio increased by \$1,957,137 from \$43,909,994 as at 31st March 2022 to \$45,867,131 as at 31st May 2022.

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Cash and Investment Portfolio

Type	Rating	SP Rating	Issuer	Frequency	Purchase	Maturity	Days	Rate	Benchmark*	Principal
TD	NR	NR	Illawarra Credit U	At Maturity	9/06/2021	9/06/2022	365	0.55	1.18	\$1,000,000
TD	BBB+	A2	BOQ	Annual	12/07/2018	12/07/2022	1461	3.50	1.18	\$1,000,000
TD	AA-	A1+	Westpac	Quarterly	13/07/2020	13/07/2022	730	0.96	1.18	\$3,000,000
TD	BBB+	A2	BOQ	Annual	23/06/2020	20/07/2022	757	1.23	1.18	\$1,000,000
TD	BBB-	A3	Judo Bank	Annual	16/03/2022	17/08/2022	154	0.83	1.18	\$2,000,000
TD	AA-	A1+	Westpac	Quarterly	5/08/2020	7/09/2022	763	0.90	1.18	\$3,000,000
TD	BBB+	A2	ME Bank	At Maturity	9/06/2021	12/10/2022	490	0.48	1.18	\$1,000,000
NOTICE	BBB	A2	AMP Bank	At Maturity	29/07/2021	1/11/2022	460	0.80	1.18	\$1,000,000
TD	BBB-	A3	Judo Bank	At Maturity	29/10/2021	2/11/2022	369	1.01	1.18	\$2,000,000
TD	A+	A1	Macquarie Bank	At Maturity	29/10/2021	2/11/2022	369	0.55	1.18	\$1,000,000
TD	BBB	A2	AMP Bank	Annual	17/11/2021	17/11/2022	365	1.00	1.18	\$3,000,000
NOTICE	BBB	A2	AMP Bank	At Maturity	12/01/2021	11/12/2022	698	1.00	1.18	\$2,000,000
NOTICE	BBB	A2	AMP Bank	At Maturity	12/01/2021	11/01/2023	729	1.00	1.18	\$2,050,000
NOTICE	BBB	A2	AMP Bank	At Maturity	16/02/2021	7/02/2023	721	1.00	1.18	\$2,000,000
TD	A+	A1	Macquarie Bank	At Maturity	16/03/2022	15/02/2023	336	1.15	1.18	\$3,000,000
TD	AA-	A1+	CBA	Half Year	28/04/2022	3/05/2023	370	2.73	1.18	\$4,000,000
TD	BBB+	A2	ME Bank	At Maturity	27/05/2022	1/06/2023	370	3.18	1.18	\$4,000,000
TD	AA-	NR	NT Treasury	Annual	10/09/2020	15/12/2023	1191	1.00	1.18	\$2,000,000
TD	AA-	NR	NT Treasury	Annual	28/09/2020	15/12/2024	1539	1.10	1.18	\$1,000,000
CASH	A+	A1	Macquarie Bank	Monthly				0.55	0.35	\$4,012,886
CASH	AA-	A1+	CBA	Monthly				0.10	0.35	\$2,550,000
CASH	AA-	A1+	CBA	N/A				0.00	0.35	\$254,245

TOTAL: **\$45,867,131.00**

*Benchmarks

On Call - RBA Cash

Floating Rate Deposit - 3m BBSW

Term Deposit - BBSW

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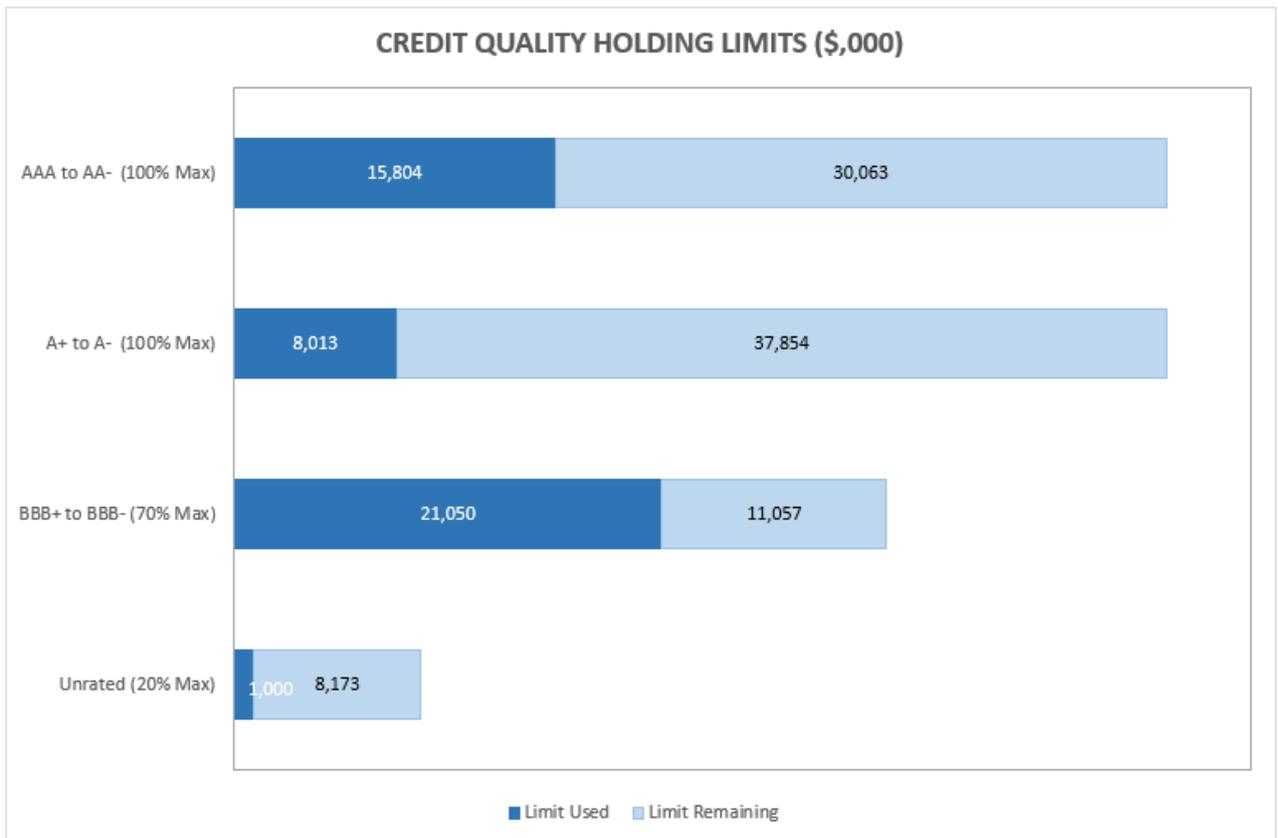
Performance

Goldenfields Water County Council’s investment portfolio outperformed the relevant BBSW Index benchmark by 19%. The average weighted yield for May was 1.27%, over an average weighted term of 162 days, with a benchmark of 1.07%.

Total Cost 45,867,131	Yearly Interest Received 223,058	Weighted Average Term 162 Days
Total Value 45,867,131	Monthly Interest Received 25,735	Weighted Average Yield 1.27%

Credit Quality Compliance

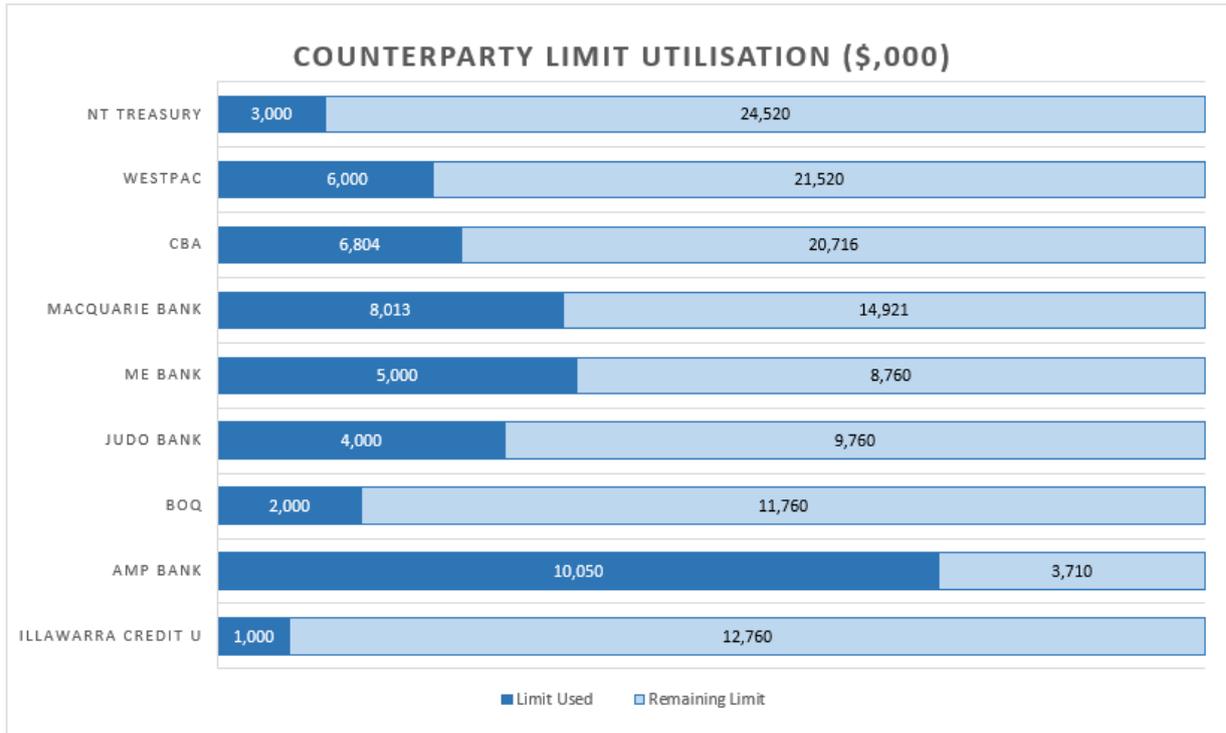
Council’s investment portfolio was compliant with policy in terms of S&P long term rating credit quality limits, as displayed below.



Counter Party Compliance

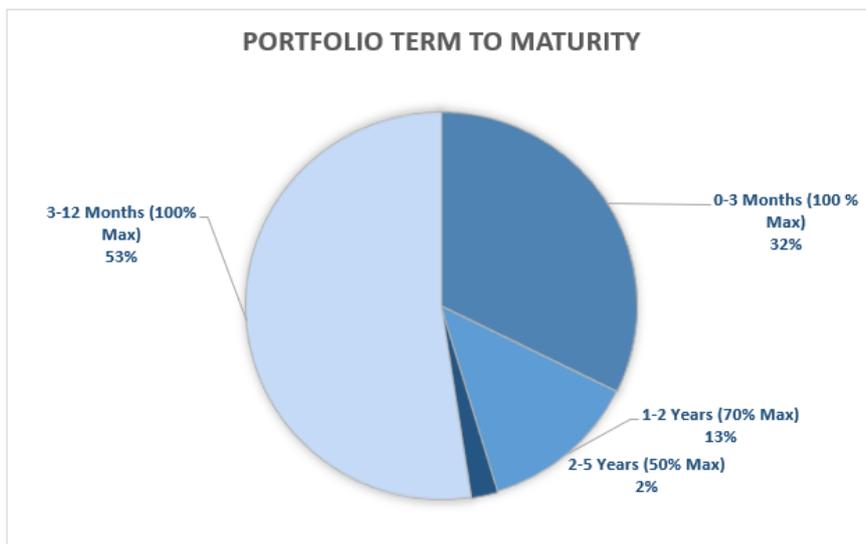
As at the end of May, Council was compliant with policy in terms of individual financial institution capacity limits. It is worth noting that capacity limits are affected by changes in the on-call account balance compared to the total portfolio balance.

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.



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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	2,148,190
Infrastructure Replacement	15,970,725
Employee Leave Entitlement	2,248,385
Sales Fluctuation Reserve	0
Property Reserve	0
Unrestricted Funds:	25,499,831
TOTAL	45,867,131

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 2021 and Council's Investment Policy PP004.

Signed



Zac Mahon
Responsible Accounting Officer

FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT

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ATTACHMENTS: Nil.

TABLED ITEMS: Nil.

16.1.2. PROGRESS REPORT CAPITAL EXPENDITURE

BOARD RESOLUTION

22/054 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Sinclair and McAlister that the report detailing Council's Capital Works Program as at 31 May 2022 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 May 2022 be received and noted.

ALIGNMENT WITH BUSINESS ACTIVITY STRATEGIC PLAN

Priority 1 High Quality, Secure & Efficient Water Supplies

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 May 2022.

FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT

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

ATTACHMENTS: Capital Works Progress Report as at 31 May 2022

TABLED ITEMS: Nil.

16.1.3. COUNCILLORS AND CHAIRPERSON FEES FOR 2022/2023

BOARD RESOLUTION

22/055 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Callow and McGlynn that:

1. Councillors and Chairpersons Fees be increased by 2% for the 2022/2023 financial year as per the Local Government Remuneration Tribunal Determination dated 22 May 2022.
2. The annual remuneration for 2022/2023 is: Councillor \$10,290.78 and Chairperson \$16,902.83

Four (4) in favour – Two (2) opposed. The motion was declared carried.

Report prepared by Corporate Services Manager

COUNCIL OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

That:

1. Councillors and Chairpersons Fees be increased by 2% for the 2022/2023 financial year as per the Local Government Remuneration Tribunal Determination dated 22 May 2022.
2. The annual remuneration for 2022/2023 is: Councillor \$10,290.78 and Chairperson \$16,902.83

ALIGNMENT WITH BUSINESS ACTIVITY STRATEGIC PLAN

Priority 2 Customer Service Focus

BACKGROUND

Section 241 of the Local Government Act 1993 states that annual fees are to be paid to councillors and chairpersons in accordance with categories determined by the Local Government Remuneration Tribunal (the Tribunal), while the setting of the fees is contained within sections 248 and 249 of the Local Government Act 1993.

REPORT

The Local Government Remuneration Tribunal Annual Report and Determination dated 22 May 2022 determined an increase of 2% to mayoral and councillor fees for the 2022/2023 financial year, with effect from 1 July 2022.

For **Table 4: County Councils – Water** the fees are as follows:

	Minimum	Maximum
Councillor	\$1,900	\$10,550
Chairperson – additional	\$4,080	\$17,330

FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT

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

ATTACHMENTS: Nil

TABLED ITEMS: Nil

16.1.4. AUDIT RISK AND IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE

BOARD RESOLUTION

22/056 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Callow and Sinclair that the Board receives and notes the minutes of the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee meeting held on 26 May 2022.

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 26 May 2022.

ALIGNMENT WITH BUSINESS ACTIVITY STRATEGIC PLAN

Priority 2 Customer Service Focus

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 26 May 2022. 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 26-5-22.

TABLED ITEMS: Nil

16.2. MATTERS SUBMITTED BY PRODUCTION AND SERVICES MANAGER

16.2.1. WATER PRODUCTION REPORT

BOARD RESOLUTION

22/057 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs McGlynn and White 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

Priority 3 A Healthy Natural Environment

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

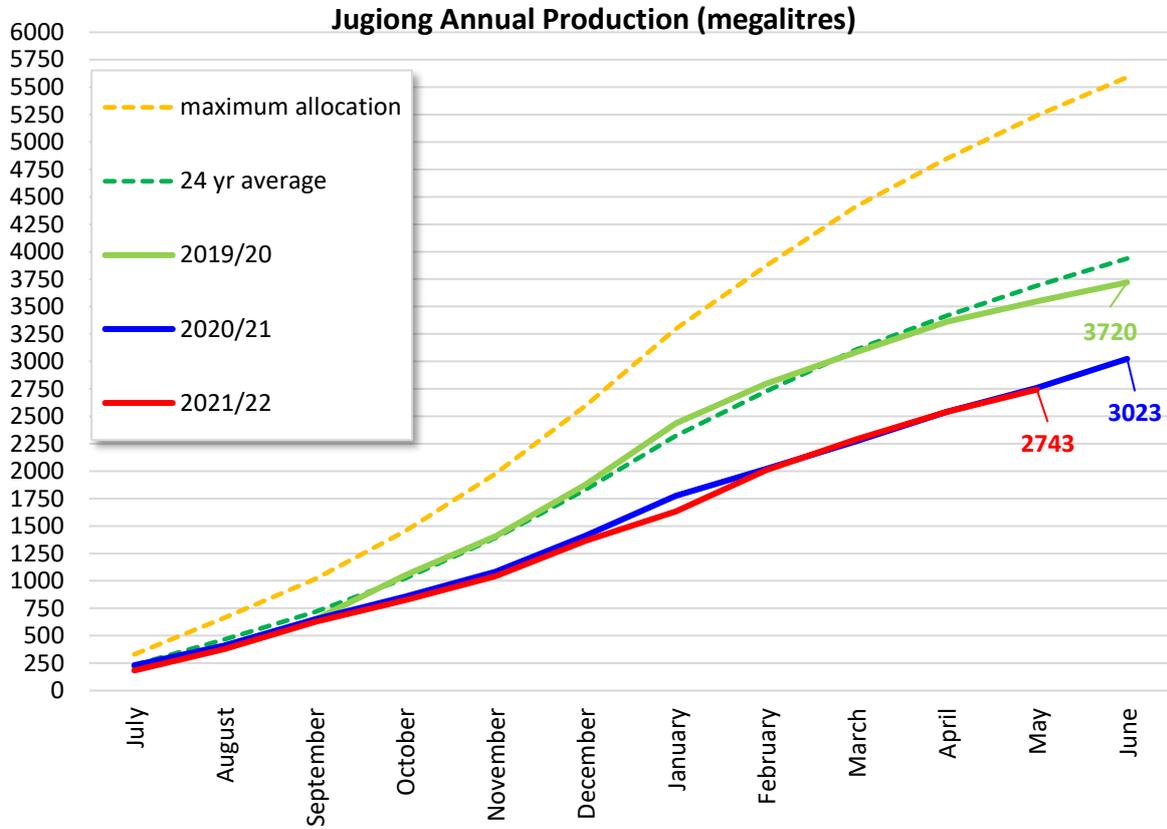
The Jugiong drinking water scheme sources water from the Murrumbidgee River and has an extraction licence entitlement of 5590ML per annum. Water from the Murrumbidgee River is treated through a 40ML/day, conventional Water Treatment Plant that consists of: Coagulation, Flocculation, Clarification, Filtration,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

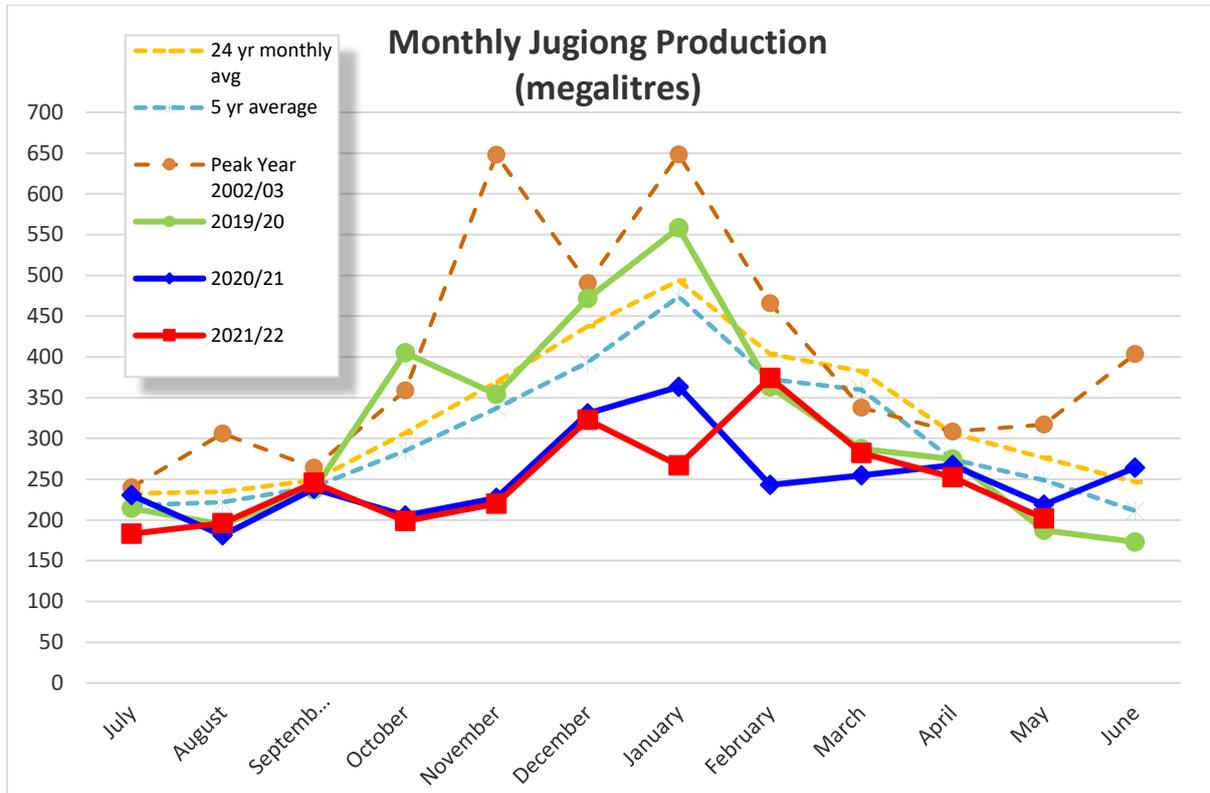
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For the first 11 months of the 2021/22 financial year, 2743ML of water had been extracted from the Murrumbidgee River and processed at the Jugiong Water Treatment plant. This is slightly lower than for the same period last FY where 2759ML was extracted. This is illustrated in the graph below.



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Jugiong monthly production started slowly in July with only 183ML extracted and treated for the month. Production has followed a similar trend to the previous year until January 2022 where a decrease in production is evident. This is followed by a steep increase in production for the month of January 2022 before another decrease in March with further decreases in April and May. These inconsistencies can be attributed to unseasonal weather during in January before a return to hotter drier weather in February before heading into the colder winter months where a decrease in production would be expected.

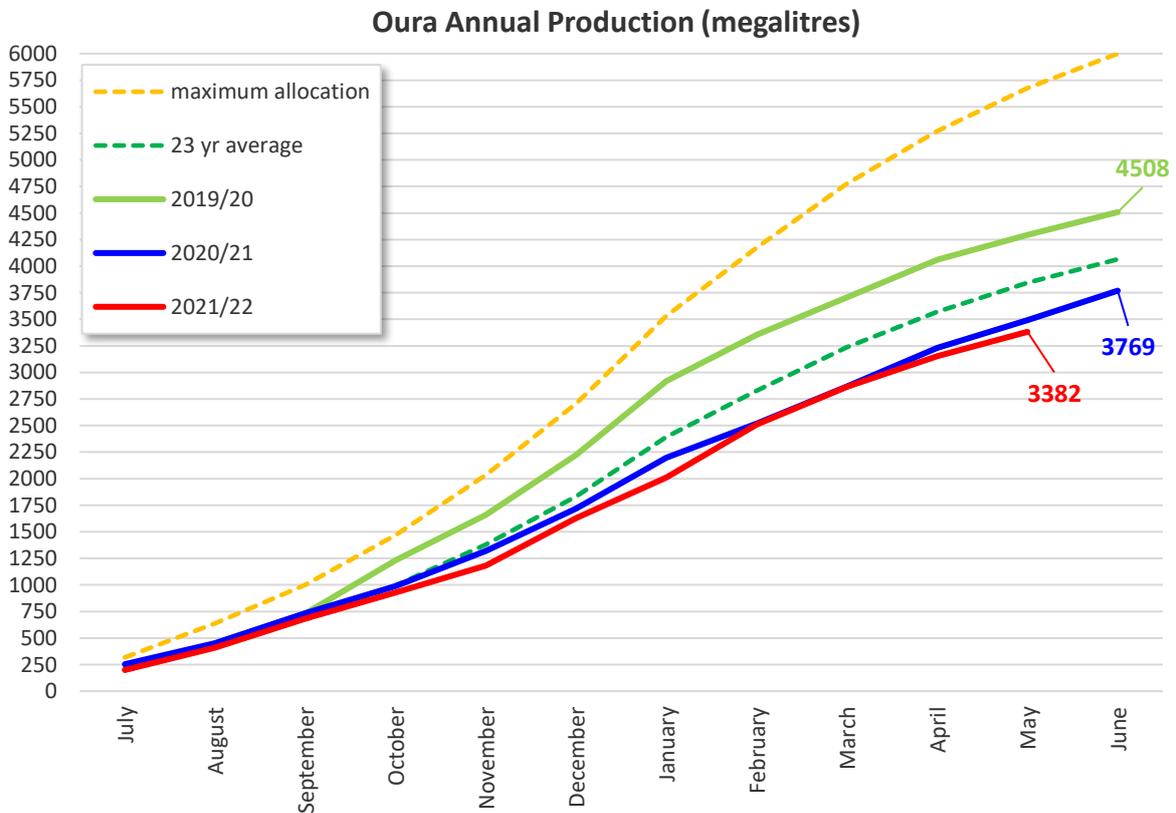


Oura Drinking Water Scheme

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.

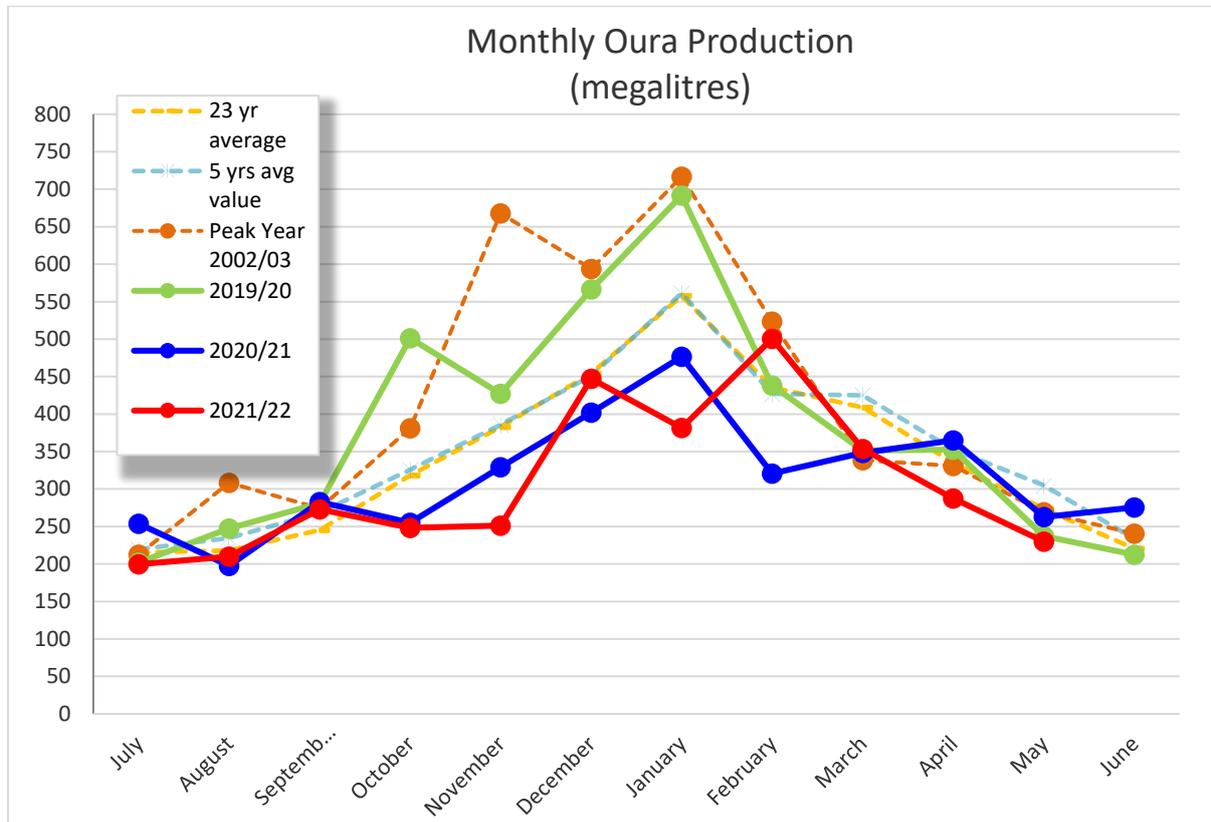
The Oura scheme has 33 sets of reservoirs and 19 pumping stations, produces drinking water for approximately 14,600 people in the Bland, Coolamon, Junee, Narrandera and Temora Shires. The Oura scheme can also supply water to the Northern side of the rural area of Wagga Wagga City when required.

For the first 11 months of the 2021/22 financial year, 3382ML of water has been extracted from the Oura Borefield and processed at the Oura Water Treatment Plant. This is a decrease in production than for the same period last FY where 3494ML was extracted. This is depicted in the graph below.



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Oura monthly water production has started slowly due to the wet cold weather. For July 200ML was extracted from the Oura bores. Production trend has followed a similar trend to last FY before a decrease in production for November 251ML and January 381ML with a slight increase in production in December 447ML compared to last FY. Production has increased in February (500ML) and decreased again in March (354ML), April (287ML) and May (230ML) with the early on set of cooler weather.

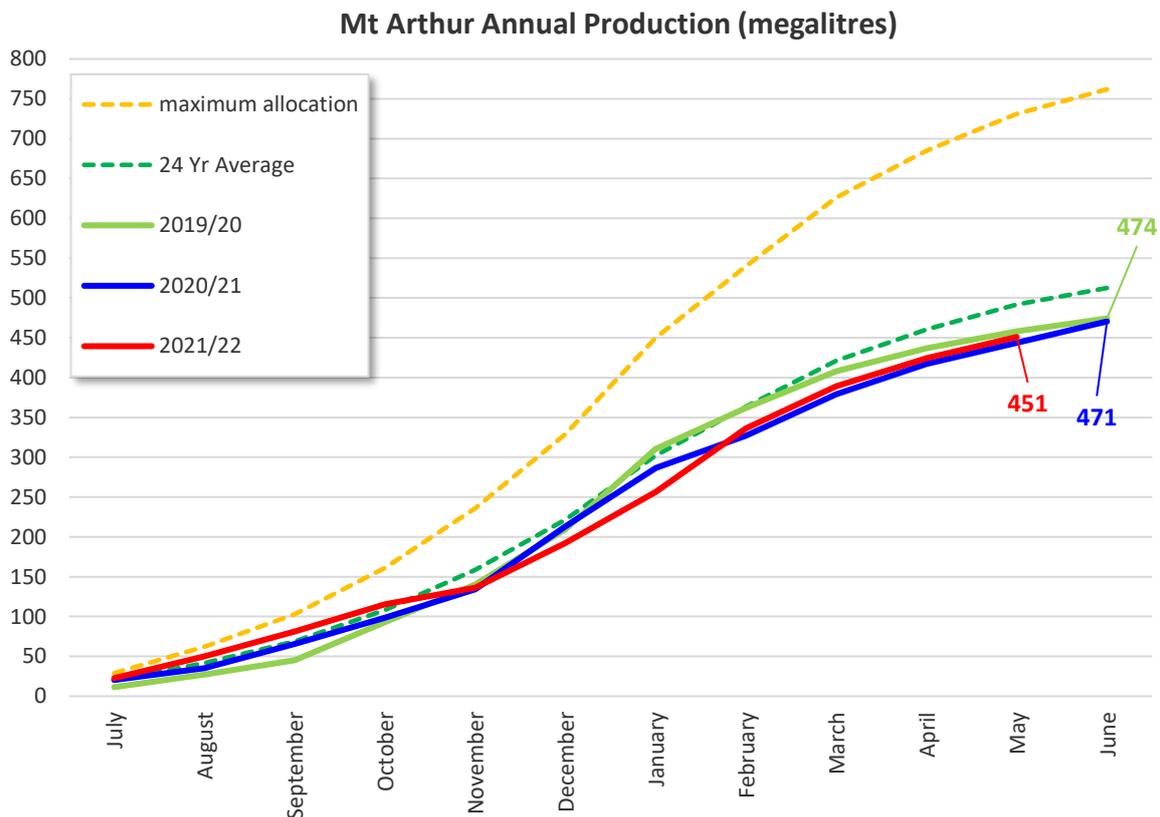


Mount Arthur Drinking Water Scheme

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.

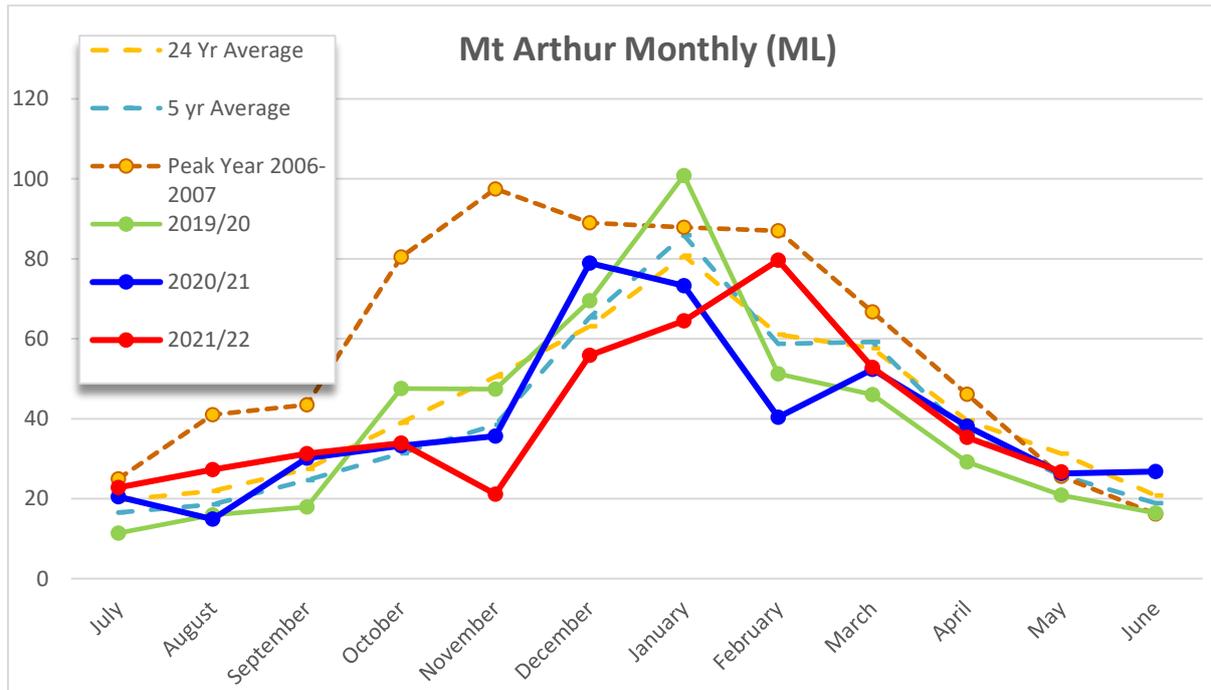
It should be noted that a new Bore 1 is currently being developed to replace the existing Bore 1, the old bore will be decommissioned and removed. Water quality and hydraulic capacity requirements appear to be positive at this stage; however actual confirmation of this cannot be known until full commissioning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

For the first 11 months of the 2021/22 financial year, 451ML of water has been extracted from the Mt Arthur Borefield. This is an increase compared to the same period last year where 444ML was extracted from the Mt Arthur bores. As can be seen in the graph below trending in a similar fashion to historical years.



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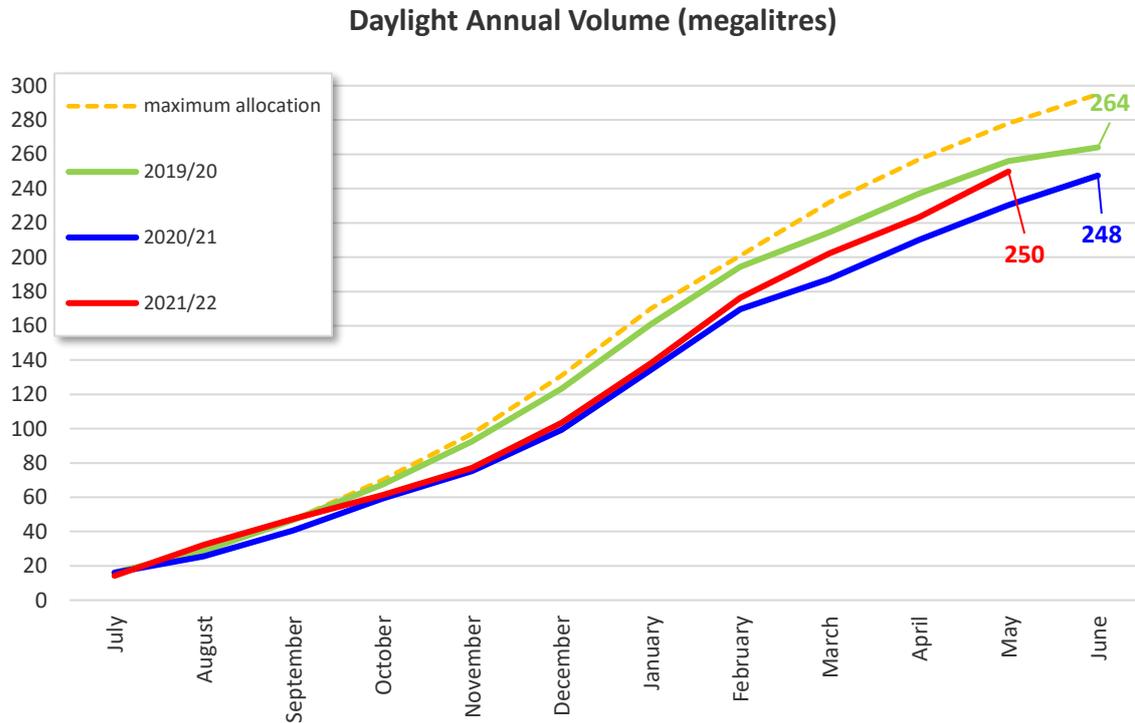
Mt Arthur monthly water production for the 2021/22 financial year has been consistent with a gradual increase from month to month for the first 4 months as the weather warms up. For July 23ML has been extracted, August seen a slight increase to 27ML and September also seen a slight increase with 31ML and October 34ML being extracted from the Mt Arthur bores. Before a wet November seen a decrease in production to only 21ML extracted. Before a warmer summer period seen 56ML extracted in December and 64ML in January. A further increase is evident in February 80ML before production decreased in March 53ML, April 35ML and May 27ML. This is due to cooler climatic conditions as we move into winter.



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.

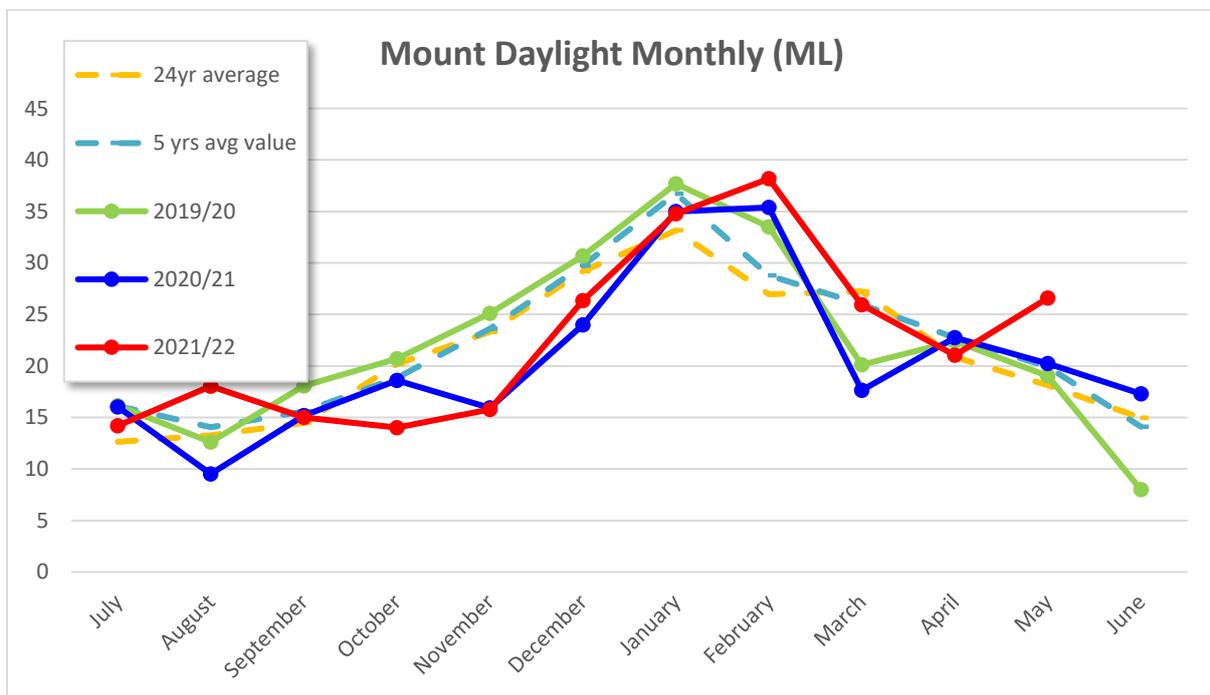
For the first 11 months of the 2021/22 financial year, 250ML of water has been extracted from the Mt Daylight Borefield. This is an increase in volume of 20ML compared to the same period for 2020/21 where 230ML was produced. As can be seen in the graph below trending in a similar fashion to historical years.



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The monthly extraction totals for the Mt Daylight bores are not consistent to previous years, this can be seen from the graph below, July was a slow month with only 14ML extracted from the Mt Daylight Bores before a slight increase in August where 18ML was extracted before again reducing production for September to 15ML. This decrease in production continued in October with 14ML extracted, before a slight increase in November 16ML extracted, production then increased as the weather became warmer in December 26ML and January 35ML a further increase is evident in February 38ML before a decrease in March 26ML and April 21ML before an increase again in May 27ML.

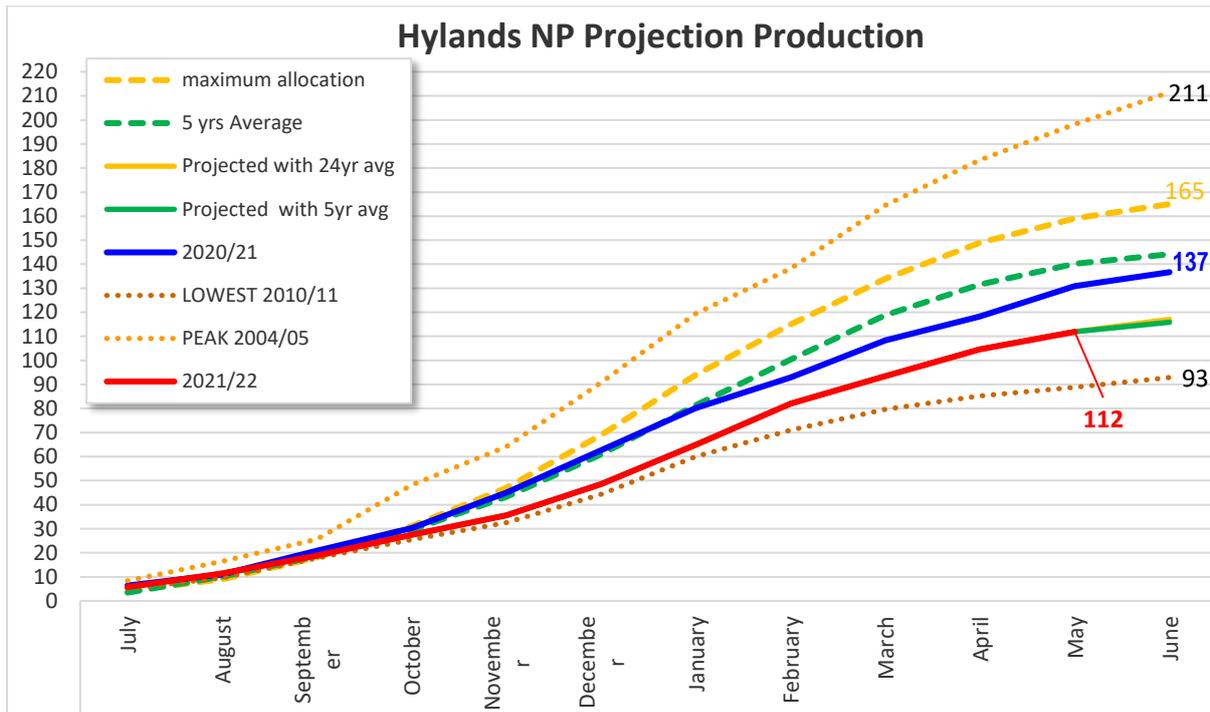
The increased usage during August correlates with some Bore yield studies being undertaken by Carrathool Shire which may have been the cause for this increased usage compared to previous years. It was also determined that a break in the line during this time added to the increase in production for August



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 11 months of the 2021/22 financial year, 112ML of water has been extracted from the Hylands Bridge Raw Water scheme. 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

16.3. MATTERS SUBMITTED BY THE GENERAL MANAGER

16.3.1. ADOPTION OF DELIVERY PROGRAM AND OPERATIONAL PLAN

BOARD RESOLUTION

22/058 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs McGlynn and Callow that:

1. Council adopts the Delivery Program 2022 to 2026
2. Council adopts the 2022-2023 Operational Plan
3. The fees and charges be made for the 2022-2023 year, as detailed in the adopted 2022-2023 Operational Plan Fees and Charges Schedule.

Report prepared by General Manager

COUNCIL OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

That:

1. Council adopts the Delivery Program 2022 to 2026
2. Council adopts the 2022-2023 Operational Plan
3. The fees and charges be made for the 2022-2023 year, as detailed in the adopted 2022-2023 Operational Plan Fees and Charges Schedule.

ALIGNMENT WITH BUSINESS ACTIVITY STRATEGIC PLAN

Priority 1 High Quality, Secure & Efficient Water Supplies

BACKGROUND

In accordance with Chapter 13, Part 2 of the Local Government Act and Section 196A of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2021, Goldenfields Water County Council is required to have a Delivery Program and Operational Plan.

REPORT

In accordance with legislative requirements, the Draft Delivery Program 2022-2026, the Draft 2022-2023 Operational Plan, incorporating 2022-2023 Fees and Charges and 2022-2023 Budget Summaries has been on public exhibition for 28 days. No submissions have been received. Minor administrative amendments have been made to ensure consistency.

The Draft Delivery Program 2022-2026 2022-2023, Draft Operational Plan, incorporating 2022-2023 Fees and Charges and 2022-2023 Budget Summaries are now re-presented to Council for adoption.

FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT

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

ATTACHMENTS: Combined Delivery Program 2022/26 Operational Plan 2022/23

TABLED ITEMS: Nil

16.3.2. CODE OF MEETING PRACTICE

BOARD RESOLUTION

22/059 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Piper and McAlister that the Code of Meeting Practice be adopted.

Report prepared by General Manager

COUNCIL OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

That the Code of Meeting Practice be adopted.

ALIGNMENT WITH BUSINESS ACTIVITY STRATEGIC PLAN

Priority 2 Customer Service Focus

BACKGROUND

The Office of Local Government issued a draft Model Code of Meeting Practice for Local Councils in New South Wales on 29 October 2021.

Councils must adopt a code of meeting practice that incorporates the mandatory provisions of the Model Meeting Code within 12 months of the Local Government Elections.

REPORT

Council prepared a draft Code of Meeting Practice in accordance with the Local Government Act requirements, including all mandatory provisions and some non-mandatory. The draft was endorsed by the Board at the April Council meeting and publicly exhibited in line with the mandated requirements.

Council has met the requirements of section 361 of the act in relation to preparation, public notice and exhibition. The draft Code of Meeting Practice has been on Public Display for 28 days. The opportunity for comment on the draft code has been provided to members of the community for the required 42-day period.

No submissions have been received during this time.

The Draft Code of Meeting Practice is now re-presented to Council in its final format for endorsement.

FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT

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

ATTACHMENTS: Draft Code of Meeting Practice

TABLED ITEMS: Nil

17. NEXT MEETING

The next ordinary meeting of Council is scheduled to be held Thursday 25 August 2022 at 10.00am.

18. CLOSE OF BUSINESS

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