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Burdekin Customer Advisory Committee

Minutes

Date:	2 June 2021	Committee Members:	
Time:	9.00am – 11.00am	Core Member Attendees Mario Barbagallo (BRIA) Russ McNee (BRIA) David Sartori (LBW) Robert Stockham (GBA) Ian Davies (Wilmar) Greg Watson (Canegrowers) Michael Kern (AgForce Cane) Lisa Parker (PCGO)	Advisory Member Attendees Sharon McIntosh (QFF) (over TEAMS) Sunwater Attendees Travis Richards (GM Ops North) Lee Findlay (Regional Administrator) Alice Cuffe (Stakeholder relations advisor)(over TEAMS) Amelia Jewell (Project
Venue:	Location	Burdekin Theatre Loft Video Conferencing over Teams – S	Manager) Sharon McIntosh and Alice Cuffe
	Apologies		
		Fiona Salter (Project Manager)Sib Rapisarda (Horticulture) Scott Moorhead (TCC) Rob Milla (BPS) Evan Shannon (Farmacist) Mayor Lyn McLaughlin (Burdekin Water Futures)Chris Johnson (DES) Gavan Lamb (SRA) Ricky Mio (AgForc e Cane) Peter Hall (AgForc e Cane) Jayson Dowie (Farmcs	

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1 Introduction	Meeting Open and actions reviewed	Travis Richards - Sunwater	
2 Update - Burdekin Falls DamProject	Sunwater Burdekin Falls Dam Improvement and Raising Projects Project Manager, Ms Amelia Jewell presented to the committee on the current status of the projects.	Amelia Jewell – Sunwater	
	The key details of the project update are included in the attached presentation.	2021_06Burdekin _CACAmelia_Jewe	
3	Burdekin Haughton Rolling Maintenance Shutdowns	Travis Richards – Sunwater	
Rolling Shutdowns	 Increased safety and productivity and improved planning for Planned Corrective (Annuity Funded) work. 		
	 Aquatic weed removal requires shutdowns for treatments multiple times each year dependent on severity of the weed and channel conditions. Efficiencies in treatment program can be extensive saving due to cost per cylinder being >\$8000. 	2021_06Burdekin _CACTR_presenta	
	 Innovative approach to replacement of concrete channels. New method utilises purpose-built formwork and targets extended channel sections to increase panels fixed per shutdown and reduce cost of repair by \$1128/panel. 		
	Sunwater advised the committee that it is submitting an application for between \$1.5M to \$2.5M funding from the Federal Govt via the National Water Grid Authority to develop a detailed business case for modernising the Burdekin Haughton Water Supply Scheme. If approved the cost of the business case would be fully funded by the Federal grant and completion would be targeted for December 2022. In May 2021 Rubicon delivered a report outlining options and high-level costs to modernise existing water regulating infrastructure. Refer to slides 20 to 22 of attached presentation.		
	Presentation Attached.		
4 Water Ordering	Sunwater presented Q3 statistics on water ordering compliance for the Burdekin Haughton Water Supply Scheme.	e Travis Richards – Sunwater	
Compliance	Q3 results for 2021 have reduced from 91% in Q3 FY20 to 76% in Q3 FY21.		
	Key graphs were also presented to demonstrate the improvement in water distribution efficiency (water pumped from source v water delivered to customer meter) over the past 15 years of operation. The 5 year averages are listed below:		
	FY17 to FY21 = 82.5%		
	FY12 to FY16 = 65.3%		
	FY07 to FY11 = 63.7%		

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5 Lower Burdekin Groundwater Mitigation Project Progress Update	Sunwater presented on the progress on the project since last meeting. Works completed in past three months or commenced and continuing are listed on slide17 of the attached presentation. Upcoming works to be completed or commenced in the next quarter are listed on slide 18 of the attached presentation.	Travis Richards - Sunwater
	Presentation Attached	
6 General Business	BRIA has requested that the Burdekin Shire Council is approached to attend the meeting to discuss the basis for the rates charges applied to Sunwater for the irrigation system and associated lands. The intent is for the committee to understand the basis of the costs to be able to inform those they represent on the matter as this is one of the larger operating costs in the operation of the scheme.	Russ McNee (BRIA)
	Sunwater will approach Council for a discussion on the matter and request they attend the September meeting of the CAC.	
7 Future agenda items	Sunwater advised group members to email any areas of interest to be emailed through for future agenda consideration.	Travis Richards

Meeting Closed

at 11.00amNext

Meetings

- Burdekin Theatre Foyer 1st September 9am
- Burdekin Theatre Foyer 1st December 9am

ACTION Items

For June 2021	
Electricity Path – Update from Rachel Rice for BRIA	TR
Detail of Electricity Data. Did the Callide outage impact electricity price on competitivemarket Update from Melissa Lascelles	TR
Mulgrave Storage farmer 2M hole filling with water – TR to see if we can install a monitoring bore? Appointment to be set to view the excavation of another hole in the location ot observe underground conditions. Sunwater to confirm suitable time with BRIA and farmer.	TR
Robert Stockman – Meter not working has been replaced 3 times. Robert Stockham toadvise Sunwater of meter number to enable investigation.	Rob Stockham

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