

Callide Valley
IRRIGATOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE



MINUTES OF MEETING – 2 November 2010

Meeting opened at 10:15am by Chairperson Nev Wogandt at the SunWater Conference Room, Biloela

Present

Attendees	Representation
Ivan Shepherdson	Committee Member – 3A & 5 Benefited
Scott Fitzgerald	Committee Member – 3A Benefited
Cr David Snell	Committee Member - Banana Shire Council
Trevor Goos	Committee Member – 8A
Bruce Burrows	Committee Member – 3B Benefited
Mark Gooding	Committee Member - Kroombit
Neville Wogandt	SunWater Area Operations Manager
Daryl Conway	SunWater Service Manager

1. Apologies

James Fairly and Duncan Downie

2. Business arising from previous minutes

Nil

3. SunWater Report

Election of Committee Members

Outcome of the recently held election has resulted in all sitting members being returned to the Advisory Group as no new nominations were received.

Motion: SunWater continue to chair the meetings of the group. Should a representative be required for a particular function they will be proposed on a case by case basis.

Moved: Ivan Shepherdson

Seconded: Scott Fitzgerald Carried

Callide Storage Level

Current storage level of Callide Dam was discussed. Currently 3241 ML available for release. Although this will incur losses it is hoped that further inflows will increase the amount available for release.

Motion: Release put on hold pending review in early December (2nd week), with the hope that further water is available for release.

Moved: Bruce Burrows

Seconded: Scott Fitzgerald Carried

Announced Allocations

The allocations have been reviewed. This has lead to an increase for sections 8A and 8B of 5 percent.

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4. **General Business**

Flood Events

Nev discussed the approach SunWater has to flood events in particular the communication strategy with Stakeholders further information will be forwarded to the IAC and the Banana Shire council. Cr David Snell will advise SunWater when the next counter disaster meeting is to be held.

Water Pricing

Following up on a query from Mark Gooding on water pricing
Nev Wogandt provided update with process involving QCA, and the access to the QCA web site for further updates.

Water Boards

Cr David Snell advised that Councils were no longer going to be handed responsibility for Rural Water Boards

Recycled Water

Cr David Snell advised that Banana Shire Council had found good uptake of recycled water in Biloela however was still looking for more use in Moura.

Kroombit Storage

Kroombit currently storing 8900 ML, release is approx 40 – 50 ML /day.

Potential for Increasing Allocation

Trevor Goos suggested that there was evidence to support increasing section 8A, particularly given that it is a small area with limited no. of irrigators. Bore levels approaching 2006 levels.

Motion: Moved Trevor Goos

That a further review of AA for 8A be undertaken with a view towards further increase. Issue of remaining storage in Kroombit dam be taken into account.

Moved: Ivan Shepherdson

Seconded: Bruce Burrows Carried

Meeting Closed 12.50pm

Chairperson

Date

SunWater Manager

Date