

THREE MOON CREEK IRRIGATOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE



MINUTES OF MEETING – 8 May 2014

Meeting opened by Paul Francis at 1:45pm at Monto Town Hall Meeting Room

Present

Attendees	Representation
Paul Francis	Irrigator Advisory Committee - Chairman
Jason Larsen	Irrigator Advisory Committee – Section 4
Fred Jarvis	Irrigator Advisory Committee – Section 1
Milton Pukallus	SunWater – Service Manager
Andrew Maughan	SunWater – Operations Supervisor
Ron Boal	SunWater - Operator

1. Apologies

Apologies were received from Allan Little, and Russ Salisbury.

2. Agenda

- Network Service Plans
- Storage/Release Update
- Meeting schedule
- General business

3. Previous minutes

Not reviewed at this meeting.

4. Business arising from previous minutes

Nil

5. Network Service Plans

- Milton presented the draft 2015 Network Service Plan for the scheme. Feedback and requests for further information were noted for consideration in the final NSP which will be published in June.

6. Storage and Release Update

- The volume released to date from Cania Dam is 6100ML.
- Ron presented the bore levels for viewing which showed that most are high. A query was raised about repairing flood damaged observation bores. This will be the responsibility of DERM.

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- Discussion centred on timing for the winter release and it was tentatively agreed that the 1st week in August would be the commencement date however a meeting in July will be scheduled to confirm this.

7. Meeting schedule

- The committee discussed what frequency it should meet. It was agreed by all in attendance that two to three ordinary meetings per year would suffice with additional meetings to be held if required. Meetings should be timed to link in with irrigation season requirements. Meetings after noon were preferred.

8. General Business

- Jason raised a query about the Temporary Transfer process and whether it had changed. Based on his own experience there appears to be a change in the approval process. Milton will follow up and advise.
- Fred asked if permanent trading is any closer to being realised. This will be dictated both by the implementation of the ROP and the rules within.
- The issue of siltation blockage in Youlambie channel was raised. Ron explained that some work had been undertaken in the upper section of the channel however a significant restriction existed further downstream. SunWater to investigate options to clear the restriction, either partially or fully, before the start of the next release.
- The Floodplain Management Plan and it's potential affect on Youlambie channel was raised. It was noted that the height of the channel bank was a subject of interest during the study and it is not known if any recommendations have been proposed in the plan to alter the bank height etc. SunWater to check.
- It was acknowledged that a representative for section 5 should be found. Nominations will be called for this section.

Next meeting – The next meeting is set for the first week in July to discuss and agree on the timing for the next release. Date and time to be advised.

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 10:45am

Milton Pukallus

Chairperson

Service Manager

8/5/14

Date

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