

Three Moon Creek
IRRIGATOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE



MINUTES OF MEETING – 6 June 2012

Meeting opened by Paul Francis at 9:40 am at the Colonial Motor Inn - Monto

Present

Attendees	Representation
Paul Francis	Chairperson
Jock McLurcan	Committee Member – Section 5
Ben Jarvis	Committee Member - Section 1 (Lower)
Brad Forsyth	Committee Member – Section 1 (Upper)
Allan Little	Committee Member – Section 6
Neville Wogandt	Area Operations Manager - SunWater
John Barber	Operations Supervisor

1. Apologies

Moved: *Ben Jarvis* that apologies for Russ Salisbury, Daryl Conway and Jason Larsen be accepted **Seconded:** *Brad Forsyth*

2. Previous Minutes

Moved: Brad Forsyth approved that the minutes of the previous meeting be a true and correct record of that meeting.

Seconded: Jock McLurcan

Carried.

3. Business Arising from Minutes

Nil

4. Agenda Items

Bore Levels

Observation bore level plots from readings from March 2012 were presented to the committee and discussed. It was noted that due to the “good season” all bores have responded well to the stream flows over the past spring and summer season .

Announced Allocation Review Result

The results of the recent review of the announced allocation were presented to the committee for comment. Following discussion the proposal for a100% Announced Allocation for the coming water year for the Three Moon Creek WSS be endorsed.

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Release Strategy – with current storage position

Discussion on the release strategy from Cania Dam was discussed. The current situation is that Cania Dam is full and Three Moon Creek still has a small flow.

The committee agreed not to progress with any release from Cania dam in the short term, but to monitor the system and to re-assess the need and timing of a release. Before any release commences further consultation will be held with the advisory committee.

Jock McLurcan was approached by an irrigator to have a small release made from Avis weir to supply a pump down stream. John Barber's team in Biloela will progress the release. A small release from Mulgildie weir will also be activated in the coming weeks to supply downstream use.

Renewals and Maintenance Program 2012 / 2013

A copy of the 2012/2013 renewals program was circulated to the committee for review. Main points to the program include the regulatory inspections for Cania Dam and the weirs along Three Moon Creek.

Other Business

Jock McLurcan asked if the observation bore 31200248 located on his property is read as part of the meter rounds. Following discussions John Barber would follow up and determine if the bore was read. If the bore was read, the readings would be given to Jock for reference.

John Barber advised that there were weed spraying activities to be undertaken on Cania Dam. There has been Water Lettuce detected on the storage and a treatment program put in place. It is planned that the North Burnett Regional Council will carryout the treatment.

John Barber also advised that meter readings would commence around the 18 June 2012. If irrigators are still irrigating they can submit their readings to SunWater by the end of June. A notice to Irrigators referring to meter reads was sent out recently and was also discussed.

There being no further business the **meeting closed at 10:40 am**

MINUTES CONFIRMED

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Chairperson

Area Operations Manager – Central Region

Date

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