

Barker Barambah Customer Advisory Committee

Date: Tuesday 23 April 2024

Time: 11:00am

Location: Bjelke-Petersen Dam office, Haager Drive, Moffatdale, Queensland / Microsoft Teams

Attendees: Stuart Nicholson, Jacob Berghofer, Damien Sippel

Sunwater representatives: Shannon Lancaster (Operations Manager, Burnett and Lower Mary), Ally Timms (Customer Engagement Coordinator), Andrew Maughan (Operations Coordinator, Burnett and Lower Mary), Gary Goschnick (Storage Supervisor Bjelke Petersen Dam)

Minutes:

Agenda items		
Item no.	Item	Presenter
1	Meeting open	Shannon Lancaster
2	Introduction to Customer Advisory Committee (CAC)	Shannon Lancaster and Ally Timms
3	Upper Redgate discussion	Shannon Lancaster
4	Operations update	Shannon Lancaster
5	General business	Shannon Lancaster
6	Meeting close	Shannon Lancaster

1. Meeting open

- Acknowledgement of Country
- Attendees were introduced.
- Sunwater staff introduced.

2. Introduction to CAC

- Purpose of CAC was outlined.
- Sunwater invited CAC members to nominate a representative to be the CAC chair. CAC members nominated Darren Large to Chair the committee.

3. Upper Redgate discussion

- Sunwater confirmed an options analysis will be conducted for Upper Redgate pump station.
- Member asked, what was status of the pump currently. Sunwater confirmed they're delivering around 8ML/D. Sunwater confirmed Ergon reduced the supply voltage causing the pump unit to overload. Pumping capacity was reduced to manage overload.
- Member asked for Ergon's reason for dropping voltage. Sunwater recalled it was a nationwide change of policy.
- Sunwater advised the pump originally delivered 10 to 11ML/D into Raham Francis Weir and that's why the study needs to be conducted to increase the performance. Sunwater also advised when the system was introduced, it was during a dry time and thrown together without a lot of engineering and planning.
- Member expressed interest in providing input into option to improve delivery efficiency for this scheme.

4. Operations update

- Sunwater will conduct a 20-year dam inspection with a third party in June.
- Sunwater confirmed the dam is at 87.88% capacity.
- Sunwater confirmed there will be a new Operator Maintainer shadowing Gary Goschnick for the next few months.
- Sunwater is replacing a vavle in the Redgate pipeline as part of planned corrective maintenance.

5. General business

- Member noted there were QCA prices that weren't forecasted electricity prices as actuals. Member also advised the trial was in a dry time. Now in a period where they were not pumping as much - prices should be reevaluated.

Sunwater actioning: Sunwater to ensure Murgon Business Association, Merlwood Water Board, SBR Council representatives are invited to join the committee.

Sunwater actioning: Sunwater to complete audit of communications sent to ensure all Barker Barambah customers received the nomination form for the Barker Barambah CAC.

6. Approval and review

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