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End of water year 2021-22 newsletter

Barker Barambah Water Supply Scheme

June 2022

Scheme overview for 2021-22

Sunwater would like to remind customers to ensure all meters are easily accessible and grass is not overgrown in the area Sunwater staff need to enter.

The below table shows scheme water usage and remaining balances as at 15 May 2022.

Scheme	Usage from 1 July 2021	Estimated Remaining Balance
Barker Barambah	1013 ML	33,290 ML

Sunwater engages with the Irrigator Advisory Committees (IAC) to collaborate and consult on a range of strategic matters relating to Sunwater's innovation, management, and maintenance of assets to ensure the reliable and efficient delivery of service.

End of water year information

For a smooth end of water year process, please ensure any overuse of water for 2021-22 is rectified, and all outstanding accounts are paid in full. To ensure Sunwater customers can effectively manage their water and business, we have compiled key information and submission dates regarding meter reads, carryover and temporary transfers, which are available in this newsletter.

Predictions for 2022-23		
Announced allocations	High Priority - 100% Medium Priority - 100% (2022-23 announced allocation notifications will be sent in the first two weeks of July 2022. This is a prediction only).	
Forecast storage volume	Bjelke-Petersen Dam forecast storage level on 1 July 2022 is greater than 306.0 m AHD (approx. 107,626 ML).	
Key submission dates for end of water year 2021-22		
Friday 24 June 2022	Carryover and temporary transfer application forms.	
Monday 4 July 2022	Voluntary meter reads (for customers wishing to take water up to 30 June 2022).	

Carryover of unused available water

With the storage level of Bjelke-Petersen Dam forecast to be greater than 306.0 AHD (approx. 107,626 ML) as of 1 July 2022, carryover will likely be made available in the Barker Barambah Water Supply Scheme for the 2022-23 water year, subject to the rules in your scheme.

The carryover guidelines and conditions can be viewed on the second page of your scheme's carryover application form, available here.

If you have not submitted a carryover application in the past and would like to apply, an application

will need to be submitted by Friday 24 June 2022

Irrigation discounts 2021-24

From 1 July 2021 to 30 June 2023, every irrigator who buys water from Queensland's state-owned irrigation schemes will be eligible for the following discounts:

50 per cent for irrigation of horticultural crops (by way of 35 per cent rebate)
15 per cent for all other irrigation.

Irrigators supplied with water from Sunwater-owned schemes automatically receive a 15 per cent discount on bills issued from 1 July 2021. The total price listed on invoices issued by Sunwater reflect the discounted price. Horticultural growers can apply to receive the balance of their 50 per cent discount through a 35 per cent rebate, which will be assessed and administered by the Queensland Rural and Industry Development Authority (QRIDA). For more information, visit the QRIDA website or contact the free call number 1800 623 946. For further information regarding these price changes, visit the Queensland Government website.

Commercial and industrial customers

To assist with preparing for end of water year, commercial and industrial customers should contact their relationship manager to discuss any special arrangements currently in place. The Sunwater Commercial team can be contacted directly by:

- emailing <u>commercial@sunwater.com.au</u>
- phoning 13 15 89 and providing the name of your relationship manager to the customer advisor you are connected with.

Are your contact details up to date?

To avoid missing critical communications and streamline managing your Sunwater business, customers are encouraged to check their contact details and authorised account contacts are up to date by:

- logging into your Sunwater Online account <u>here</u>. Assistance with updating contact information is available <u>here</u>.
- emailing a <u>Customer Profile Form</u> to <u>customersupport@sunwater.com.au.</u>
- chatting with an advisor via the <u>Sunwater</u> <u>website</u> live chat or phoning 13 15 89 Monday-Friday 8:30am – 4:30pm.

Updating your invoice delivery method

Invoices received via post are a summary only and don't include information such as past meter reads, water usage, and a breakdown of your fees and charges.

By opting for an email invoice, your bills will be received in real time and, instead of receiving a summary invoice, bills will include all of the above information.

To update your invoice delivery method, please contact customer support by phone, email or the Sunwater website live chat.

Registered for Sunwater Online?

Sunwater Online is available to customers 24 hours a day, seven days a week. This system puts you in control of your water and business via a secure online portal. The online portal is accessed via sunwater.com.au and can be used to:

- view alerts and messages
- update account details
- view and print account information
- submit requests for carryover
- view, enter, and export meter reads
- submit, view, and accept temporary transfer requests
- create, amend, and cancel water orders.

Step-by-step online guides to assist customers with processing transactions are available on the Sunwater website here under subheading 'Help with Sunwater Online'.

To register for Sunwater Online, please contact customer support by phone or live chat.

Phone: 13 15 89

Email: customersupport@sunwater.com.au

Live chat: sunwater.com.au (Monday to Friday, 8:30am - 4:30pm)

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