



Draft Service and Performance Plan 2021/22

Cunnamulla Bulk Water Service Contract


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At a glance

Our performance in 2019/20



Operating costs:
\$0.02 million (46.4% less than forecast)


Key drivers of cost variance:

- reduced labour costs
- reduced non-direct costs.




Annuity-funded costs:
\$0.00 million

There were no annuity-funded projects undertaken in 2019/20.



Total water deliveries:
1021 ML

Water delivered to irrigators: 949 ML



Service targets: Met

No exceptions


Outlook for 2021/22



Forecast operating costs:
\$0.04 million

Significant areas of expenditure:

- insurance (\$7.7k)
- operations (\$21.6k).



Forecast annuity-funded costs:
\$0.01 million

Sunwater plans to undertake a comprehensive inspection of Allan Tannock Weir and replace customer meters if they fail during the year.

Introduction

This Service and Performance Plan (S&PP) details a range of proposed scheme activities and projects, and presents a breakdown of anticipated costs for review. It also compares Sunwater’s actual costs for 2019/20 with our previous forecasts for this scheme.

The purpose of this year’s S&PP for the Cunnamulla Bulk Water Service Contract is to:

- present to customers Sunwater’s projected costs¹ for the upcoming five-year period, i.e. 2021/22 to 2025/26
- consult with our customers on forecast operating and annuity-funded costs for 2021/22 and the forward program of works
- examine Sunwater’s performance in 2019/20 against previous forecasts and service targets.

Our focus during 2021/22 will be on ensuring operations activities are implemented safely, timely and efficiently. We will be continuing to replace customer meters on an as needs basis to ensure our customers have accurate water metering in place. A comprehensive inspection of Allan Tannock Weir will also be carried out to inform our future maintenance program.

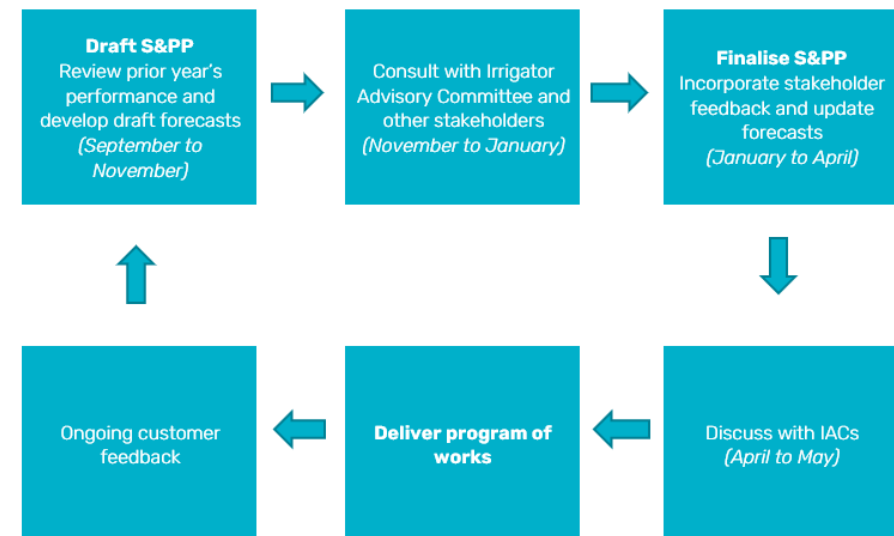
In addition to this S&PP, Sunwater has published an information sheet which explains the types of costs we incur in delivering water to our customers and how those costs are allocated to service contracts. The information sheet is available at:

www.sunwater.com.au/customer/products-and-services/service-and-performance-plans/

¹ All financial figures reported in this document are in nominal dollars, i.e. dollars of the day. Figures may not sum due to rounding.

Input from customers is a valuable part of Sunwater’s planning process and ensures that we invest in areas which support the services we provide to customers. Figure 1 outlines how Sunwater and customers work together in relation to S&PPs.

Figure 1: Customer consultation and S&PPs



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Delivering services to our customers

At Sunwater we are committed to working collaboratively with our customers to deliver value and fit-for-purpose water solutions.

Our customers

The majority of the 24 customers in this scheme are predominantly stock and domestic customers with two larger irrigators who mainly grow grapes, cotton and fodder crops. Water is also supplied to the Paroo Shire Council when required, e.g. for use at parks and gardens.

The water allocations for each customer segment are included in Table 1, together with water deliveries in 2019/20. Historical total water usage is available in **Appendix 1**.

Table 1: Water allocations and usage data

Customer segment	Total water allocations (ML)	High priority water allocations (ML)	Medium priority water allocations (ML)	Total water deliveries 2019/20 (ML)
Irrigation	2408	0	2408	949
Industrial	4	0	4	0
Urban	80	0	80	72
Sunwater	120	0	120	0
Total	2612	0	2612	1021

Irrigation charges

The 2021/22 charges and cost per megalitre from the Queensland Competition Authority's (QCA) 2020–2024 irrigation price investigation are shown in Table 2. The Cunnamulla Bulk Water Service Contract does not need additional subsidies to recover irrigation's share of future renewals, maintenance and operating costs.

Table 2: Irrigation charges for 2021/22

Tariff group	Product	2021/22 (\$/ML) ¹	QCA cost-reflective (\$/ML) ²	Subsidy (\$/ML)
River – Medium Priority	Allocation Charge – Part A	34.28	34.28	n/a
	Allocation Water – Part B	1.98	1.98	n/a

1. As recommended by the QCA. The Queensland Government has not yet determined the irrigation charges to apply in 2021/22.
2. Reflects the cost-reflective price determined by the QCA in its 2020–2024 irrigation price investigation. Costs reflect lower bound cost recovery, i.e. recovery of future replacement and ongoing maintenance and operations. Charges do not allow for any returns on existing assets.

For more information on Sunwater's fees and charges, refer to:

www.sunwater.com.au/customer/fees-and-charges/

Service targets

Sunwater and customers have agreed Water Supply Arrangements and Service Targets for the Cunnamulla Bulk Water Service Contract. Table 3 below sets out our recent performance against selected service targets for this scheme.

Table 3: Scheme service targets and performance

Service target		Target	Number of exceptions		
			2017/18	2018/19	2019/20
Planned shutdowns – notification	For shutdowns planned to exceed 2 weeks	8 weeks	0	0	0
	For shutdowns planned to exceed 3 days	2 weeks	0	0	0
	For shutdowns planned to be less than 3 days	5 days	0	0	0
Unplanned shutdowns – duration ¹	Unplanned shutdowns during Peak Demand Period	48 hours	0	0	0
	Unplanned shutdowns outside Peak Demand Period	5 working days			
Maximum number of interruptions	Planned or unplanned interruptions per water year	6	0	0	0

1. This is the number of times that the unplanned shutdown has exceeded the shortest of the peak/off peak periods.

In addition, Sunwater has company-wide customer interactions service targets. Our performance in 2019/20 against these service targets is shown in Table 4.

Table 4: Customer interactions service targets and performance

Service target	Target	2019/20
Telephone answering ¹	80.00%	94.87%
Requests actioned within Service Level Agreement (SLA) timeframes ²	> 95.00%	95.46%

1. This target measures the percentage of 13 15 89 calls that are answered within 60 seconds. The 2019/20 result reflects the average monthly performance over the November 2019 to June 2020 period.
2. This target measures the percentage of email or workflow requests (such as property transfers and temporary transfers) to the Customer Support email address that are completed within the agreed SLAs. The SLA timeframes range between two and 10 business days, depending on the request. The 2019/20 result covers the October 2019 to June 2020 period.

Key infrastructure

Allan Tannock Weir is the key infrastructure used to deliver bulk water services to our customers in Cunnamulla. It is a sheet piling and concrete construction with a fixed crest spillway. The total storage capacity is 4770 ML.

Financial summary—Revenue and expenditure

A high-level summary of the budgeted financial performance of the Cunnamulla Bulk Water Service Contract is presented in Table 5.

The revenue Sunwater receives from urban and industrial customers is agreed by term contract. The revenue we receive from irrigation customers is determined by the Queensland Government, based on recommendations made by the QCA as part of its review of irrigation prices.

Sunwater anticipates an increase in revenue for the Cunnamulla Bulk Water Service Contract in 2021/22.

In 2021/22, Sunwater expects to spend \$489 million across all parts of our business, i.e. regulated and non-regulated. A breakdown of the forecast total cost pool at the direct and non-direct cost level is shown in Figure 2, together with the percentage of these costs allocated to the Cunnamulla Bulk Water Service Contract. Detail on the planned spend for this scheme is outlined on subsequent pages of this S&PP.

Figure 2: Total Sunwater cost pools and allocation to scheme—2021/22 forecast (\$M)

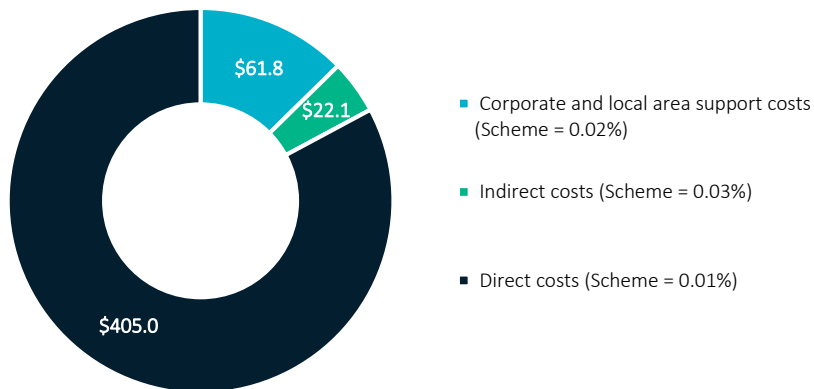


Table 5: Service contract financial summary

Cunnamulla Bulk Water Service Contract	2017/18 Actual \$'000	2018/19 Actual \$'000	2019/20 Actual \$'000	2020/21 Forecast \$'000	2021/22 Forecast \$'000
Revenue					
Irrigation	79.7	79.7	80.0	82.7	89.1
Community Service Obligation	-	-	-	-	-
Industrial ¹	-	-	-	-	-
Urban ¹	2.6	2.7	2.8	-	-
Revenue transfers	-	-	-	-	-
Drainage	-	-	-	-	-
Other	-	-	-	-	-
Revenue total	82.4	82.4	82.8	82.7	89.1
Less – Operating expenditure	29.4	30.6	24.5	37.9	39.0
Less					
Annuity-funded	-	-	-	54.2	14.6
Non-annuity funded	-	-	-	-	-
Surplus (deficit)	53.0	51.8	58.3	(9.3)	35.4

1. Forecast revenues for industrial and urban customers are based on current contractual arrangements.

Cost of delivering services—Operating expenditure

Operating expenditure includes funds for: operations activities, i.e. operations, electricity and insurance; preventative maintenance; and corrective maintenance.

Table 6 sets out actual and forecast operating expenditure for the Cunnamulla Bulk Water Service Contract. For a more detailed breakdown by cost category, refer to **Appendix 2**.

Our performance in 2019/20

In 2019/20, operating costs were lower than what we previously forecast² in all cost categories (except for insurance) primarily as a result of reduced labour costs and reduced local area support, corporate support and indirect costs.

Table 6: Operating expenditure¹

Cunnamulla Bulk Water Service Contract	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20		2020/21		2021/22		2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	
	Sunwater Actual \$'000	Sunwater Actual \$'000	Sunwater Forecast \$'000	Sunwater Actual \$'000	Variance \$'000	Sunwater Forecast \$'000	QCA Target \$'000 ²	Sunwater Forecast \$'000	QCA Target \$'000 ²	Sunwater Forecast \$'000	Sunwater Forecast \$'000	Sunwater Forecast \$'000	Sunwater Forecast \$'000
Operations	27.4	25.3	39.5	21.6	(17.9)	28.4	40.9	29.3	41.8	31.0	31.1	32.6	33.0
Electricity	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Insurance	4.6	4.9	5.4	5.6	0.2	7.5	6.1	7.7	6.3	7.9	8.1	8.3	8.5
Operations	22.8	20.4	34.1	16.0	(18.1)	20.9	34.7	21.6	35.5	23.2	23.1	24.3	24.5
Preventative maintenance	2.0	5.2	2.7	1.6	(1.0)	5.6	3.9	5.8	4.0	6.3	6.2	6.6	6.7
Corrective maintenance	-	-	3.7	1.3	(2.3)	3.8	1.4	3.9	1.5	4.2	4.2	4.4	4.5
Operating costs total	29.4	30.6	45.8	24.5	(21.3)	37.9	46.2	39.0	47.2	41.6	41.6	43.6	44.1
Recreational facility costs ³						-		-		-	-	-	-
Operating costs total (incl. recreational facility costs)	29.4	30.6	45.8	24.5	(21.3)	37.9		39.0		41.6	41.6	43.6	44.1

1. Sunwater's 2021/22 to 2025/26 budget figures are draft as at the time of consultation. These figures will not be locked down until late in the financial year prior.
2. Reflects the QCA's 2020–2024 irrigation price investigation final recommendations. Excludes recreational facility costs.
3. From 1 July 2020, irrigation customers no longer contribute towards the cost of operating and maintaining recreational facilities. Forecast costs have been separately identified for transparency.

² See the 2019/20 Network Service Plan at www.sunwater.com.au/schemes/Cunnamulla/

Outlook for 2021/22

Operations

Cunnamulla Bulk Water Service Contract's total operations budget in 2021/22 is 30.0 per cent below the QCA's recommended cost target. This variance is largely driven by lower labour costs and lower local area support, corporate support and indirect costs when compared to the QCA allowances. Sunwater's forecast operations costs for 2021/22 are in line with historical costs in the scheme.

Insurance

Insurance is one of Sunwater's largest expenditure items. These costs have increased significantly in recent years due to multiple flood events in Queensland and global insurable events impacting premiums. Although Sunwater is subject to market forces in the pricing of insurance premiums, we have also been actively managing insurance premium costs by reviewing coverage levels and policy specifications (including deductibles) to ensure that our insurance coverage is appropriate and reflective of the risks faced by our business.

In 2020/21, Sunwater experienced a significant price increase in insurance premiums. Our insurance broker has indicated this is the beginning of an upward trend in premiums due to, among other factors, the number and size of natural disasters that have occurred in Australia over the past 12 months. Insurance premiums in 2021/22 are therefore expected to be higher than the QCA's recommended allowance and historical costs.

Preventative maintenance

The forecast preventative maintenance costs for the Cunnamulla Bulk Water Service Contract are 47.3 per cent above the QCA's recommended cost target. This is because of higher local area support, corporate support and indirect costs.

Corrective maintenance

In 2021/22, Sunwater anticipates spending \$3.9k on corrective maintenance in the Cunnamulla Bulk Water Service Contract. This is 168.3 per cent above the QCA's recommended cost target, primarily due to an allowance in the corrective maintenance budget for minor maintenance post flood events overtopping the weir.

Cost of delivering services—Annuity and non-annuity funded expenditure

Annuity expenditure include funds for preventative and corrective maintenance, as well as large, one-off operations activities. The preventative maintenance activities monitor the asset condition and inform the corrective maintenance program when an asset needs to be refurbished or replaced. Non-annuity funded expenditure largely relates to Sunwater’s Dam Improvement Program and recreational facility costs.

Table 7 outlines our annuity and non-annuity funded expenditure. Details of the major annuity-funded projects planned for the 2020/21 to 2025/26 period set out in **Appendix 3**.

Table 7: Annuity and non-annuity funded expenditure^{1,2}

Cunnamulla Bulk Water Service Contract	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20		Variance \$'000	2020/21	2021/22		2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	
	Sunwater Actual \$'000 ³	Sunwater Actual \$'000 ³	Sunwater Forecast \$'000	Sunwater Actual \$'000		Sunwater Forecast \$'000	QCA Target \$'000 ⁴	Sunwater Forecast \$'000	QCA Target \$'000 ⁴	Sunwater Forecast \$'000	Sunwater Forecast \$'000	Sunwater Forecast \$'000	Sunwater Forecast \$'000
Annuity-funded													
Operations	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Preventative maintenance	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Planned corrective maintenance	-	-	-	-	-	54.2	53.3	14.6	14.4	-	6.4	17.2	16.2
Unplanned corrective maintenance	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Annuity-funded total	-	-	-	-	-	54.2	53.3	14.6	14.4	-	6.4	17.2	16.2
Non-annuity funded													
Dam Improvement Program	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Recreational facility projects	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Metered offtakes and dividend reinvestment	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Non-annuity total	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	

1. Sunwater’s 2021/22 to 2025/26 budget figures are draft as at the time of consultation. These figures will not be locked down until late in the financial year prior.
2. Forecast annuity-funded costs from 2020/21 exclude recreational facility projects.
3. The annuity-funded spend for 2017/18 and 2018/19 reflects the QCA’s 2020–2024 irrigation price investigation final recommendations, which included adjustments to Sunwater’s actual costs.
4. Reflects the QCA’s 2020–2024 irrigation price investigation final recommendations.

Asset management and planning improvements

In its final report for the 2020–2024 irrigation price investigation, the QCA identified several potential improvements to Sunwater’s asset management and planning framework. It suggested Sunwater should:

- improve our predictive maintenance and asset condition reporting arrangements to better inform the timing of asset replacement
- review our cost estimation approach and ensure that asset values are based on modern equivalent replacement values where appropriate
- develop transparent guidelines for options analyses.³

Sunwater acknowledges there is room for improvement in our asset management system and is working on several initiatives to address specific potential improvements and the broader asset management and planning processes as outlined below. We will report on our progress on the implementation of these initiatives in the final S&PP for 2021/22.

Asset management performance growth

This initiative provides the opportunity to improve predictive maintenance capability and focuses on monitoring asset performance data of critical assets. The asset data will provide a greater insight into asset performance, condition, and refurbishment and replacement planning.

Asset management planning

A change to Sunwater’s asset planning cycle has improved the near-term cost estimation of annuity-funded work. The change targets 18 months of fully cost-estimated work and will help improve future asset replacement values.

Asset management improvement

Sunwater is implementing improvements to our asset management system with a fit for purpose alignment to the ISO55001 asset management standard. Key to the alignment is the simplification of how we identify and deliver maintenance work. Low value, low complexity work follows a standard work management methodology and is managed at a service contract level. High value, high complexity work is managed at an individual level and follows Sunwater’s Portfolio, Program and Project Management Framework (P3MF). P3MF defines the management and governance of projects including when an options analysis is required.

³ See pages 58 to 60, www.qca.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2020/02/irrigation-price-review-part-b-sunwater-final-report.pdf

Annuity balance

Annuities are managed by Sunwater on behalf of each service contract. They allow for customer charges to reflect a constant amount necessary to recoup the costs of refurbishment/replacement of the assets over a pre-determined period of time. The forecast annuity balances, and the impacts of budgeted spend, are shown in Table 8 below.

The QCA and Sunwater closing balances differ due to differences in the expenditure profile allowed by the QCA in its 2020–2024 final recommendations and actual expenditure incurred by Sunwater in 2019/20 and what we expect to spend thereafter.

Table 8: Annuity balance

Cunnamulla Bulk Water Service Contract	2017/18 Actual \$'000	2018/19 Actual \$'000	2019/20 Actual \$'000	2020/21 Forecast \$'000	2021/22 Forecast \$'000	2022/23 Forecast \$'000	2023/24 Forecast \$'000	2024/25 Forecast \$'000	2025/26 Forecast \$'000
Opening balance ¹	(58.7)	(55.9)	(52.7)	(49.0)	(72.7)	(42.1)	4.7	48.2	87.9
Spend ²	-	-	-	(54.2)	(14.6)	-	(6.4)	(17.2)	(16.2)
Insurance proceeds receipts (if applicable)									
Prior year	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Current year	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Annuity contribution ³	7.2	7.4	7.6	32.6	48.4	48.7	49.7	54.7	55.5
Interest/financing costs	(4.4)	(4.2)	(3.9)	(2.1)	(3.2)	(1.8)	0.2	2.1	3.8
Sunwater – Closing balance	(55.9)	(52.7)	(49.0)	(72.7)	(42.1)	4.7	48.2	87.9	131.1
QCA – Closing balance	(55.9)	(52.7)	(49.0)	(71.9)	(41.1)	5.8	49.4		
Difference	-	-	-	(0.8)	(1.1)	(1.1)	(1.2)		

1. The opening balances for 2017/18, 2018/19 and 2019/20 reflect the QCA's 2020–2024 irrigation price investigation final recommendations.
2. The spend for 2017/18 and 2018/19 reflects the QCA's 2020–2024 irrigation price investigation final recommendations, which included adjustments to Sunwater's actual costs. The 2019/20 spend reflects Sunwater's actual costs. Thereafter, the spend is based on Sunwater's forecasts.
3. The annuity contribution is included in the prices paid by customers. It was set by the QCA from 2012/13 to 2016/17 and was rolled forward with the Consumer Price Index (CPI) for 2017/18, 2018/19 and 2019/20. From 2020/21 to 2023/24, the annuity contribution is based on the QCA's 2020–2024 irrigation price investigation final recommendations. Thereafter, it is based on Sunwater's projections.

Appendix 1—Historical water usage

The below table contains the scheme’s recent water use, together with the 18-year average for the 2002/03 to 2019/20 period.

Year	Usage (ML)
2010/11	846
2011/12	1560
2012/13	1662
2013/14	801
2014/15	1728
2015/16	1882
2016/17	1563
2017/18	1746
2018/19	1703
2019/20	1021
18-year historical average	1577

Appendix 2—Operating and annuity-funded costs by expense type

Cunnamulla Bulk Water Service Contract	2017/18 Sunwater Actual \$'000	2018/19 Sunwater Actual \$'000	Sunwater Forecast \$'000	2019/20 Sunwater Actual \$'000	Variance \$'000	2020/21 Sunwater Forecast \$'000	QCA Target \$'000	2021/22 Sunwater Forecast \$'000	QCA Target \$'000	2022/23 Sunwater Forecast \$'000	2023/24 Sunwater Forecast \$'000	2024/25 Sunwater Forecast \$'000	2025/26 Sunwater Forecast \$'000
Operating costs													
Operations	27.4	25.3	39.5	21.6	(17.9)	28.4	40.9	29.3	41.8	31.0	31.1	32.6	33.0
Labour	7.4	5.9	9.0	5.0	(4.0)	4.9	10.3	5.1	10.5	5.2	5.4	5.5	5.7
Contractors	-	-	1.0	-	(1.0)	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1
Materials	-	0.1	-	-	-	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	-	-	-
Electricity	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Insurance	4.6	4.9	5.4	5.6	0.2	7.5	6.1	7.7	6.3	7.9	8.1	8.3	8.5
Other	1.0	1.3	3.0	1.1	(1.9)	3.0	1.3	3.1	1.3	3.2	3.2	3.3	3.4
Local area support costs	5.7	4.5	8.1	2.6	(5.4)	4.5	6.9	4.6	7.0	4.7	4.8	5.0	5.1
Corporate support costs	3.1	5.1	6.7	3.8	(2.9)	3.7	7.9	3.8	8.1	3.9	4.0	4.1	4.2
Indirect costs	5.6	3.6	6.3	3.4	(2.8)	3.8	7.3	4.0	7.5	5.1	4.5	5.3	5.0
Preventative maintenance	2.0	5.2	2.7	1.6	(1.0)	5.6	3.9	5.8	4.0	6.3	6.2	6.6	6.7
Labour	0.7	1.3	0.8	0.4	(0.4)	1.6	1.1	1.7	1.1	1.7	1.8	1.8	1.9
Contractors	-	1.1	-	0.4	0.4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Materials	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	-	-	-
Other	-	0.1	-	-	-	-	0.5	-	0.5	-	-	-	-
Local area support costs	0.5	1.2	0.7	0.2	(0.5)	1.5	0.7	1.5	0.7	1.6	1.6	1.7	1.7
Corporate support costs	0.3	0.9	0.6	0.3	(0.3)	1.2	0.8	1.3	0.8	1.3	1.3	1.4	1.4
Indirect costs	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.3	(0.3)	1.3	0.8	1.3	0.8	1.7	1.5	1.8	1.7
Corrective maintenance	-	-	3.7	1.3	(2.3)	3.8	1.4	3.9	1.5	4.2	4.2	4.4	4.5
Labour	-	-	0.8	0.5	(0.3)	0.8	0.4	0.8	0.4	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9
Contractors	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Materials	-	-	1.0	-	(1.0)	1.0	0.1	1.0	0.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1
Other	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.2	-	0.2	-	-	-	-
Local area support costs	-	-	0.7	0.1	(0.6)	0.7	0.2	0.8	0.2	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8
Corporate support costs	-	-	0.6	0.4	(0.2)	0.6	0.3	0.6	0.3	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7
Indirect costs	-	-	0.6	0.3	(0.3)	0.6	0.3	0.7	0.3	0.8	0.7	0.9	0.8
Operating costs total	29.4	30.6	45.8	24.5	(21.3)	37.9	46.2	39.0	47.2	41.6	41.6	43.6	44.1
Annuity-funded costs													
Labour	-	-	-	-	-	4.1	4.1	1.1	1.1	-	0.5	1.4	2.4
Contractors	-	-	-	-	-	18.6	18.3	5.0	4.9	-	2.2	5.7	3.1
Materials	-	-	-	-	-	22.7	22.4	6.1	6.0	-	2.7	6.9	3.2
Other	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.4
Local area support costs	-	-	-	-	-	2.4	2.4	0.7	0.6	-	0.3	0.8	2.1
Corporate support costs	-	-	-	-	-	3.1	3.0	0.8	0.8	-	0.4	1.1	1.8
Indirect costs	-	-	-	-	-	3.2	3.1	0.9	0.9	-	0.4	1.3	2.1
Annuity-funded total¹	-	-	-	-	-	54.2	53.3	14.6	14.4	-	6.4	17.2	16.2
Total costs²	29.4	30.6	45.8	24.5	(21.3)	92.0	99.5	53.6	61.6	41.6	48.0	60.8	60.2

1. The 2017/18 and 2018/19 costs reflect the QCA's 2020–24 irrigation price investigation final recommendations, which included adjustments to Sunwater's actual costs. Sunwater has provided cost information at the lowest level of granularity available.

2. Excludes recreational facility costs from 2020/21.

Appendix 3—Annuity-funded projects for 2020/21 to 2025/26

The below table sets out Sunwater’s currently planned annuity-funded projects for the 2020/21 to 2025/26 period for this scheme. While the immediate program is well defined, estimates become more uncertain further into the planning timeline. Forecasts are likely to change in future S&PPs, reflecting changes in project delivery timing; asset condition and risk updates; outcomes from scheduled asset inspections; and customer feedback.

Year	Project title	Project scope	Forecast \$'000
2020/21	Asset revaluation	Revalue the assets for insurance purposes; update asset replacement costs and Bill of Materials; and identify gaps in asset hierarchy data.	2
	Weir sheet piling and concrete refurbishment	Replace damaged concrete in front of the weir sheet piling. The concrete has broken off over time, exposing the sheet piling to water. Reinstating the concrete will slow the rate of corrosion.	53
	Other works	There are no other annuity-funded projects planned for 2020/21.	-
	2020/21 Total		55
2021/22	Meter replacements	This is an allowance to replace customer meters if they fail during the year. If none are replaced, the funds will remain in the annuity.	4
	Weir inspection	Undertake a comprehensive inspection of the weir to identify defects, as well as improve asset condition and risk data to facilitate better planned corrective maintenance planning.	11
	Other works	There are no other annuity-funded projects planned for 2021/22.	-
	2021/22 Total		15
2022/23	Sunwater does not have any annuity-funded projects planned for 2022/23.		-
	2022/23 Total		-
2023/24	Trash rack refurbishment	The trash racks on the inlet are deteriorating over time. If the 2021/22 inspection indicates they need work, this project will remain. If the refurbishment can be deferred, it will be.	6
	Other works	There are no other annuity-funded projects planned for 2023/24.	-
	2023/24 Total		6
2024/25	Inlet walkway refurbishment	The underside of the inlet walkway is corroding and needs to be repainted to extend its life. This has been deferred over the past few years as the rate of deterioration is not excessive. An engineering inspection in 2021/22 will determine if this can be deferred again.	17
	Other works	There are no other annuity-funded projects planned for 2024/25.	-
	2024/25 Total		17
2025/26	Asset revaluation	Revalue the assets for insurance purposes; update asset replacement costs and Bill of Materials; and identify gaps in asset hierarchy data.	2

Year	Project title	Project scope	Forecast \$'000
	Sheet piling refurbishment and weep hole cleansing	Corroded sections of the sheet piling will be refurbished (removed/replaced; protected from further corrosion) to extend the life of the weir. Cleaning out the pressure relief holes minimises the amount of water pooling on the horizontal surfaces against the sheet piling.	14
	Other works	There are no other annuity-funded projects planned for 2025/26.	-
	2025/26 Total		16

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