## **Update to Constituent Councils**



#### 22 February 2024 Board Meeting

Board members present: Chairperson Cr Tim Koschel, Deputy Chairperson Cr Doug Meyer OAM, Cr Georgie Davies, Cr Tony Quinn, Cr Michael Henderson, Cr Jenny McKinnon, Cr Tony Quinn, Cr Pat Bourke, Cr Dallas Tout

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#### **R1 Election of Chairperson and Deputy Chairperson**

The Riverina Water Board conducted an election with Chairperson Cr Tim Koschel and Deputy Chairperson Cr Doug Meyer both returned to their positions unopposed.

The pair will lead the Board until September ahead of the Local Government elections.

#### R3 Change of date and time for August meeting

The Board resolved to change the meeting date and commencement time for the August meeting due to the caretaker period for the Local Government elections.

The Board meeting will now be moved forward and held Wednesday 7 August 2024 to commence at the later time of 3pm.

#### Policies and documents

At the 22 February meeting, the following documents were adopted:

- Internal Audit Charter
- Workplace Health and Safety Strategic Plan

#### R8 2023-24 Operational Plan progress report toward Delivery Program 2022- 2026

The six-monthly progress report of the 2022-23 Operational Plan in line with the 2022-2026 Delivery Program was received by the Board.

Fifty-two per cent of items are on track, 4% have been completed, 6% need attention and 14% will be delayed.

Some of the delayed actions are reliant on the implementation of Riverina Water's ERP transformation project, Flow, and timelines have been adjusted to ensure suitable testing has occurred prior to implementation. Other initiatives have been delayed due to recruitment for new positions to undertake some of the identified work.

Any uncompleted actions for 2023-24 are being reviewed and reprioritised for rescheduling into future operational plans.

There have been several achievements and completed actions in the last six months, including significant Flow project work on data analysis, process mapping and review. Work has also been undertaken in relation to readiness and testing of the project's finance module, along with the new HR and payroll system.

The first six months of 2023-24 has also seen recruitment to key new positions such as the WHS Coordinator, Risk and Insurance Officer and a Change Training Officer for the Flow project. Recruitment to increase capacity in IT and Engineering is also under way.

#### **R11 Corporate Values**

The Board considered and endorsed the new Riverina Water values, as well the Cultural Action Plan with actions for embedding these values within the organisation.

Riverina Water's new Corporate Values are Respect, Connection Safety and Cooperation.

# R14 Employee participation in Sindhuli Nepal Project Team - partnering with South Wagga Wagga Rotary

The Board moved to support the 2024 partnership with South Wagga Rotary Club (SWRC) which will once again provide aid initiatives in Sindhuli and Banepa, Nepal.

Since 2018 this partnership has been focused on SWRC projects that involve working on the supply of clean drinking water and the provision of technical guidance.

The program provides an opportunity to give back to those less fortunate and provides development of teamwork, leadership skills and initiative for Riverina Water staff.

The 2024 participants Ryan Thompson and Fiona Smith will travel to Nepal in March-April this year.

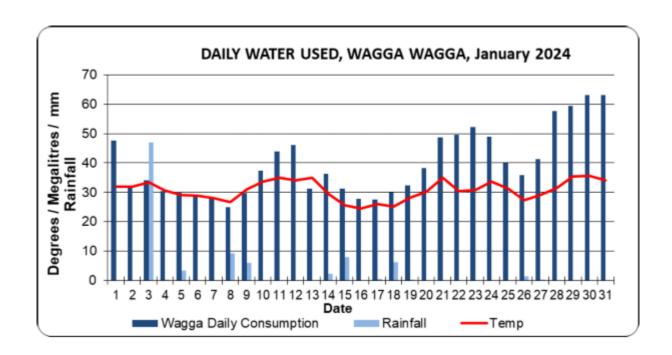
Riverina Water is contributing \$5600 toward the cost of staff participation in this important initiative and staff take annual leave so that they too are volunteers, participating in the same capacity as the members of SWRC.

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### R15 | Works Report covering January 2024

Month	New Connections (residential)	New Connections (non- residential)	Quality complaints	Supply complaints	Water sourced (ML)	Water used (ML)
January	8	4	9	9	1,504.36	1,502.37

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