

Possible Q&As and related issues

Q. What is the tariff structure and price point?

A. As a non-profit authority, GMW's pricing is structured to recover the costs of the services provided and to maintain its assets. GMW is currently undertaking community consultation on the pricing model as part of the Essential Services Commission process. The pricing submission will be lodged with the ESC in November this year, and contains the proposed fees and charges for the period 2020-2024.

The draft prices for 2020/21 Mitiamo fees and charges being proposed in the pricing submission is detailed below.

If you want to review GMW's pricing submission or want to have your say on the proposal, please visit <https://www.gmwater.com.au/your-say-at-gmw>

The Mitiamo Project Team will work with you and the specific details of your property size and service requirements to provide an indication of your likely GMW bill.

Fee	Unit	20/21\$s
Service Fee	Each Service	120.00
Service Point Fee (D&S)	Point	145.00
Infrastructure Access Fee	KL/day	155.04
Infrastructure Use Fee	ML	32.64
Water Allowance Storage	ML	8.62

Q. We aren't on the current plan to be connected. How do we get involved?

A. If you are not currently on the Mitiamo Pipeline and want to be connected, we recommend getting in touch with the Mitiamo Project Team as soon as possible to discuss your options. The Mitiamo Project Team can be contacted on email MitiamoPipeline@gmwater.com.au. The Mitiamo Project Team will assess what options are available to connect your property however, please understand it may not be possible to accommodate all requests.

Q. What will my outlet size and flow rate be?

A. There are two outlets sizes that have been determined based on property size and number of occupied dwellings. This size of the outlet proposed to service your property can be discussed with you and a member of the Mitiamo Project Team.

Q. What storage capacity will I need on-farm?

A. The capacity requirements on farm are subject to the individual property type. It is recommended that the private tanks be suitable for 3-4 days of storage at a minimum. Agriculture Victoria will be available to assist in understanding on farm watering requirements.

Q. Who will be funding and organising the on-farm storage and infrastructure?

A. It is up to you, the landowner, to organise and fund any on-farm infrastructure and internal pipework from the metering point to tank. Any infrastructure downstream of the GMW-owned meter will be privately owned and operated.

Q. Are there any funding programs for the on-farm works?

A. The Mitiamo Pipeline funding is solely for the main pipeline tranches. There are no funding schemes specifically available for the Mitiamo Projects on farm works.

Q. What will my water allocation be?

A. Water Allocation will be determined based on property size and type. The Mitiamo project team will consult with you about your individual requirements.

Q. What can we do with our land over the top of where the pipeline has been laid?

A. The newly installed Mitiamo Pipeline will traverse both private and public land however the design nominates the alignments to be on property boundaries wherever possible. It is anticipated there will be no reason to change current practices over areas of the pipeline.

Q. Can I change the location of my tapping point?

A. You will have the opportunity to change the location of the tapping point during our engagement with you, however the extent to which the location can change depends on the pipeline alignment.

Q. Who is completing the works?

A. Goulburn-Murray Water is managing the Mitiamo Pipeline Project, and the construction works will undergo the standard tender and procurement process. A Contractor for the works has not yet been appointed.

Q. Will you be decommissioning the existing dam scheme infrastructure?

A. No, it is not part of the Mitiamo Pipeline Project's scope to decommission the infrastructure that will no longer be required once the pipeline is operational.

Q. Do I have to be a part of the project?

A. No, you do not need to be part of the project however, if you are part of the dam filling schemes, or other GMW infrastructure that will be retired once the pipeline is operational, it is recommended you be part of the Mitiamo Pipeline Project to ensure there is no interruption to your supply.

Q. What if I decide I want to be part of the Project once it has been built?

A. It is important to understand that the users of the Mitiamo pipeline are contributing to the cost of the works. If you decide at a later date you wish to be part of the pipeline, there may be additional costs you incur in doing so and would be subject to available capacity in the system.

Q. Will I be supplied for 365 days a year?

A. Yes, the pipeline and associated pumping arrangements and storage facility have been designed to provide a year-round supply of stock and domestic water.

Q. Will there be an impact on the township water supply as part of this Project?

A. The Mitiamo Townships supply is provided by Coliban Water, which will become part of Mitiamo pipeline supply. The supply to Coliban Water will not directly impact the private residents supplied.