

WSC MEETING SUMMARY



COMMITTEE NAME	Loddon Campaspe Regional WSC
MEETING DATE	21 February 2018 – Kangaroo Flat
ATTENDEES	WSC: Norm Suckling (Chair), Andrew Maher (Deputy Chair), Karl Hooke, Tim Harrington, Ross McKinstry, Tom Walsh, Hilary Jankelson, Garry Addlem, Richard Carter Guests: GMW: Dale McGraw Customer Service Manager Diversions – West, Peter Watson Customer Service Coordinator Diversions – West, Greg Shannon Regional Manager Customer Service West, Brendan Cossens Senior Hydrogeologist Groundwater & Streams
APOLOGIES	

Main Topics Discussed

Tariff Strategy Working Groups

- WSC members who attended the Tariff Strategy Working Group Induction Day provided an overview of the session and gave insight into the issues raised by the various customer categories.
- Members highlighted their concerns of the operational costs associated with managing access of landowners who are not existing GMW customers and access water under Section 8 of the Water Act 1989 rights. Representatives on the Tariff Strategy Working Group would flag these costs as part of future discussions and would look for opportunities to recover associated costs as part of the tariff review.

WSC Structure

- The committee discussed the future structure of Water Service Committees and agreed that the current approach of assessing the need to hold a meeting should continue.
- Members agreed that the frequency of meetings should be flexible and in consideration of the issues at hand.
- Members agreed that the agenda should be developed by the WSC Chair and the focus should be on local issues as a priority.

Lake Meran

- provided an overview of the development of the Lake Meran Local Management Rules to members

West of Mid-Loddon GMA Groundwater Development

- WSC members discussed at length their concerns about the pending applications for large groundwater entitlements adjacent to the western boundary of the Mid-Loddon Groundwater Management Area.
- Explained what GMW was doing in evaluating the applications and some of the findings that had been established as part of the review process.

Financial Report

- Provided information on the 2nd Quarter Financial results associated with the Diversions services.

