

WSC MEETING SUMMARY



COMMITTEE NAME	Murray Valley & Shepparton Water Services Committee
MEETING DATE	Tuesday 15 June 2021
ATTENDEES	<p>WSC Members Murray Valley: Jason Andrew, Alan Hendy, Iwan Van Den Berg</p> <p>WSC Members Shepparton: Craig Reynolds (Chair), John Horder, David Woodhouse, Kevin Minogue, Alan Strang, Rod Squires</p> <p>GMW Attendees Brendan Brooks (Manager Distribution East) Greg Shannon (Manager Irrigation) Daniel Irwin (General Manager Strategy and Services Planning) Jeremy Nolan (Manager Asset Planning Water Delivery) Peter Egglestone (Engineering & Interface Manager Connections) John Weber (Manager Information Services) Matthew O'Farrell (Manager Strategy Policy & Performance)</p>
GUESTS	
APOLOGIES	Patrick Connolly, Andrew Routley, Paulette McIntosh, Ross Heywood, Ashley Galt, Rabi Maskey (DEDJTR), Andrew Cooper (GMW)

Main Topics Discussed

Channel x Channel principles - Daniel Irwin, Jeremy Nolan & John Weber
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • WSC members workshopped 2 East channels within pods and analysed the available data to provide recommendations on the asset maintenance criticality and type of appropriate maintenance options • Water use trends and NPV value were evaluated on channels MV2/5 and SP29 in Shepparton • Long, medium and short term treatment options on Bridges, culverts, channels pipelines regs and meters were considered. • The mini workshop was a positive exercise with good engagement from the committee
Water Efficiency Project (WEP) - Peter Egglestone
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provided an update on the WEP program generally with an overview of the Shepparton and Murray Valley project scope • 27 regulators are being upgraded at Shepparton East and 60 meters in winter 2021 • Other areas looking at meter upgrades only in 2021 and RP rollouts in progress • Shepparton East regulators are targeted to be completed by 15 July. Some Shepparton meters may be 100mm rather than 375mm as more appropriate size / flowrate for small customers.

Other Items to Note (GMW Specific)

Service plans – Matthew O'Farrell
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advised the service plans strategy / engagement with key stakeholders aims for WP6/7 • It includes understanding current state, Work packages, Finalisation and Financial modelling • Displayed a list of items that may be included in work packages for irrigation and drainage • WSC members raised several points around asset hibernation, weed / maintenance, 365-day supply, revenue for environmental delivery and IVT transfers and irrigation development. • Drainage review was not completed prior to WP5 but quite a bit of work done in this area. Some discussion around polluter paying or the area fee is best revenue method for equity. Drains help roads for shires but no contribution. Drains mainly needed for bigger events • Some irrigation items have been discussed in the lead up to WP5 and appear to be going nowhere.

East Area update – Brendan Brooks

- Provided an update on final deliveries for irrigation / environmental water, desilting maintenance works, capital projects for winter 2021 and proposed chemical treatments on major channels.

Other Discussion items:

- Nil