

## Newsletter to Barossa Infrastructure Ltd Customers

August 2019

### *Unused Water in BIL Water Year 2018/19*

With under 6 weeks left before the end of BIL's Water Year 2018/19, please let Neville know if you do not intend to use all of your BIL water. There are Customers who will use it and you will avoid unused water charges at the end of September.

### *Change of Water Supply – Chlorinated Water*

From Monday 5th August 2019 for approximately 4-6 weeks, BIL customers will receive water from a filtered and chlorinated SA Water source.

BIL customers should consider their own irrigation systems and determine whether temporary operational changes are appropriate during this time. If you have any questions, please call the office.

### *Information to BIL Customers on Drought Conditions*

*Information to BIL Customers on Drought Conditions* was attached to the July Newsletter.

In response to customer suggestions, the Board has agreed to the following updates:

- A BIL customer can transfer to BIL a volume of their own River Murray water allocation, and BIL will increase their BIL water entitlement by the same amount.
  - The customer will be charged a water transport cost per ML equivalent to the Premium water rate.
  - The customer will be responsible for all other costs associated with the transfer e.g. the Department of Environment and Water's form A1.

For the avoidance of doubt:

- All of these measures are only applicable in years when there are reduced allocation percentages on SA River Murray Class 3 (irrigation) entitlements.
- Customers can not exceed 100% of their normal BIL water entitlement

Please give me a call or come into the BIL office if you would like to clarify how this impacts you.

### *River Murray Water Allocations have Increased*

South Australian River Murray Class 3 (irrigation) water allocation percentages have increased again to 68% and the Department anticipates further improvements across the water year. The Department's current outlook is that allocations will reach 100%, albeit potentially as late as 1 April 2020.

Updates are being posted on BIL's website (on the home page towards the bottom), including a link to the Departments Allocation Statement that contains useful information.

### *Further Expansion – Being Considered*

As reported last month, we continue to receive non-binding [Expression of Interest forms](#) from customers and potential customers interested in taking up more water. Thank you.

We have also begun investigating a further expansion, including investigating the use of recycled water (treated to an appropriately high quality). No decision has been made on whether to proceed.

If you would like to express your view on expansion and/or use of recycled water, feel free to give me a call or send me an email/letter which I will pass on to the Board.

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