

## Newsletter to Barossa Infrastructure Ltd Customers

March 2018

### *Scheme Expansion*

The first stages of the new works are progressing rapidly:

- Lyndoch Pump Station now has power and has been operating throughout the hot weather.
- Pipelines connecting Ebenezer and Truro Rds to Belvidere Rd, Sturt Rd, Research Rd and Schneider Rd are complete and in service; these will also be connected via the new Hoffmann Pump Station to the Hoffmann 500 ML storage which will increase the capacity of this area, eliminate a number of dead end pipes, and result in better water quality.
- A replacement 450 kW pump was installed at Airfield Pump Station in time to meet peak summer demand; a second pump will be installed during the winter.
- New pumps have been delivered for Moppa, Vinegrove and Hoffmann Pump Stations.
- Installation of new pumps at Whitmore Pump Station on Gomersal Road (which supplies water to Seppeltsfied), will be completed in early winter.
- Construction of the new storage is well advanced with the southern and eastern embankments near completion and installation of the liner scheduled to commence in about 2 weeks.
- All works for the expansion of the BIL system will be completed before next summer.
- SA Water have let contracts to duplicate the last section of the Warren Transfer Main, provide new pumps and expand the Black Snake Pump Station, and duplicate a section of the main downstream of Terminal Storage on the Mannum Adelaide Pipeline.
- Our thanks to the BIL Scheme Expansion Project Manager Borvin Kracman, who reports the project will be within budget.

### *High Summer Demand*

The recent hot weather has meant a number of customers have used all their Premium Water. There is no Additional Water available and customers who have more water than they require are encouraged to register that water with the BIL Office as surplus and avoid unused water charges when transferred. Application forms are available in the 'Forms' page of the Barossa Infrastructure Ltd web site.

**It is most important that customers do not exceed their contract volume and closely monitor their water use.** Apart from a significant excess water charge, customers may deprive others of water if BIL use exceeds the capacity of SA Water to supply BIL. Customers who continue to take water in excess of their contract volume are in default of their contract and will be suspended from the system.

### *Site Use Approval*

BIL has received approval to supply up to 12,000 ML of imported water. This followed a further environmental study that indicated there were no adverse environmental impacts to date from the use of the water by BIL customers. Customers should ensure that their irrigation practices are of a high standard and comply with their Irrigation Management Plan. Details of the approval and the environmental study are on the 'Environmental Assessment' page of the Barossa Infrastructure Ltd web site.

### *Winter Maintenance and Installation of new Equipment*

During the low demand period this year there will be a number of situations when all or part of the BIL system will be disrupted. Although every effort will be made to provide advance notice, in some situations, such as availability of specialised contractors, little notice can be provided. You are encouraged to check the 'Service Disruption' section of the home page of the BIL web site for the latest information.

Customers are advised there are no opportunities to carry over water into the following year. Customers who think they may be unable to take all their water due to the disruption associated with the expansion should approach the BIL office as early as practicable so alternative arrangement can be made the enable them to take their contracted water.

### *Customer Connection Maintenance*

During this year customer meters will most likely need battery replacement. Please check your meter while in use to ensure it is functioning correctly. Notify the office or one of our staff if you suspect your meter is not recording correctly – this will avoid the need for estimated charges.

### *Access Your Meter Data*

Customers are encouraged to access their meter data via the BIL website. Please give Neville Skipworth your email address and property ID(s). Meter data can also be made available to your vineyard manager.

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