

**Tatiara WAP Stakeholder Advisory Group**  
**Summary Meeting 18** 17 June 2020 – Microsoft Teams Video Meeting

**Group Attendees-** Kerry DeGaris (Group chair) - SENRM Board, David Edwards – Mundulla Vignerons Inc, Michelle Irvine – SA Water, Paul Leadbeter – Conservation Council SA, Robert Mock – District Council Tatiara

**Apology-** Richard Halliday – Livestock SA, Scott Manser - Lucerne Australia, Scott Campbell – Lucerne Australia

**Staff Attendees-** Phil Elson (PE) – Senior Project Officer Water Planning NRSE, Sue Botting – Team Leader Water Planning NRSE, Dean Zeven – Project Officer Water Licensing SE, Cameron Wood – Senior Hydrogeologist DEW

Item	Notes
Welcome	Kerry DeGaris welcomed attendees.
Previous meeting notes	<p><b>Minutes</b>            Previous minutes from meeting 17 confirmed as true and correct.</p> <p><b>Action outcomes to note</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Action 6.2 – Completed to be removed.</li> <li>• Action 7.3 – Completed to be removed.</li> <li>• Action 17.2 – Completed to be removed.</li> </ul> <p><b>Outstanding action list items noted</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Action 1.14 – Unbundling not on agenda due to shorter video meeting and priority to discuss community engagement and Poocher Management Zone.</li> <li>• Action 17.3 – Update provided at meeting. Maps of existing confined management areas and change in combining Keith and Wirrega management areas into one area shown to group. Recommended to maintain existing confined management areas as the consumptive pools. Group decided to kept existing split and maintain 5 confined consumptive pools.</li> </ul> <p><b>Recommendations</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Nil</li> </ul> <p><b>Advisory Group member Tasks</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Task 6.1 – 5 confined consumptive pools confirmed, 7 unconfined consumptive pools to be confirmed pending decision to make Poocher a management zone or additional consumptive pool.</li> </ul>
Ground rules	No points were raised by members in relation to the Ground Rules
Group charter	No points were raised by members in relation to the Group Charter

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Community Engagement and consultation	<p><b>Discussion on how to progress community engagement and consultation.</b></p> <p>List of key issues document discussed by PE - <b>Attachment</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Naracoorte paper published a paper at sports ground over allocating ending with a large water bill. Thought sports grounds where exempted from being metered. Recreation is a licensable water use.</li> <li>• Feel recreation use should be discussed as part of the WAP, along with firefighting use.</li> <li>• Possible exemption for last resort bushfire locations under section 128 allowed uses of water.</li> <li>• Keith area school have a confined and unconfined licences as do Willalooka, Western Flat.</li> <li>• Issue could possibly be the lack of understanding around water management.</li> </ul> <p><b>ACTION 18.1:</b> PE to put on agenda for next meeting - discussion on recreational water use sites that are also bushfire last resort refuges and allowing for a certain amount of water to be exempt from requiring an allocation..</p> <p><b>ACTION 18.2:</b> PE to put on agenda for next meeting – discussion on engagement with recreational water users/ sports grounds/ schools around their requirements of water use and the rules under the WAP.</p> <p>Stakeholders - need to consider those communities that don't directly use water licence on a day to day basis (sports, schools).</p> <p><b>Additional major key issue:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Poocher management zone</li> </ul> <p><b>Methods of engagement that will work the best to engage to inform and receive feedback and comments.</b></p> <p>PE discussed methods of engagement document - Attachment</p> <p>Group discussion included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Liked idea of face to face local and industry and that they are facilitated to bridge the gap. Smaller scale and allow you to tailor those meetings.</li> <li>• Two stage step to engage and inform community was suggested:             <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Kick of the supply of information</li> <li>2. Released the draft opportunity to meet and discuss</li> </ol> <p>Local clinics – walk in to talk in one on one and small groups.</p> </li> <li>• Meetings need independent facilitator.</li> <li>• Information should be specifically tailored to specific organisations/groups.</li> <li>• Initial discussion face to face outlining the key components of the draft plan then the plan to be made available, online or hard copies for those not comfortable online. Then further discussions face to face to focus on each groups special concerns.</li> <li>• Could hold meetings without having a draft to bounce ideas or wait to have a first draft, looking at waiting until first draft to hold meetings and industry meetings.</li> <li>• Plan is a pretty dry legal document and concern around.</li> <li>• Could use discussion papers to highlight issues and the different approaches considered.</li> </ul>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Could develop a guide to the new WAP that explains it in simpler terms.</li> <li>• Concerned around the time frame and length of review.</li> <li>• Agreement to start engagement without the draft being ready to go, kick of some information and then release the draft when it is available.</li> <li>• Unsure if industries are currently meeting.</li> <li>• There is a need to provide information to the community on water licences and water use and how WAP work.</li> <li>• Need to use as many engagement methods as possible.</li> </ul> <p><b>ACTION 18.3:</b> PE &amp; MM to come up with a draft communications engagement action plan or group to review.</p>
Poocher Management Zone	<p>PE discussed slide show.</p> <p><b>Zone boundary</b></p> <p><b>ACTION 18.4:</b> PE to send maps to group</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Boundary but what does the management zone do.</li> <li>• Management zone rather than consumptive pool, management zone is a level below consumptive in terms of applying management.</li> <li>• Rather than having to apply a management action across a whole consumptive pool, looking at containing it to a management zone. It could use changes to volume caps that are able to be extracted from a particular well.</li> <li>• Proposed to have two types of water resource approvals. One for public supply and one for irrigators.</li> <li>• With a management zone trade is still possible within the whole consumptive pool.</li> <li>• MI - Possibly need a pipeline for town – SA Water looking at how we manage it with the current situation, may take a few years for a pipeline so need to work on the mid-short term.</li> </ul> <p><b>ACTION 18.5:</b> PE to circulate information and criteria around Poocher management zone.</p> <p><b>Task 18.1:</b> Group to provide feedback and comments on management zone to protect town’s water resource.</p> <p><b>Monitoring</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provide thoughts on what parameters to use for monitoring.</li> <li>• CW – suggest continue monitoring 2017 wells</li> </ul>
Classes of entitlements/allocations	<p><b>Update on proposed classes</b></p> <p>Change to previously proposed structure of entitlement/allocation classes</p> <p>Proposed structure to be circulated to group for comment.</p> <p><b>Task 18.2</b> Group to provide comment on proposed classes.</p>
Summary of Discussion – Next Steps	<p>Next steps:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Next meeting planned 21<sup>st</sup> July 2020 5pm to 7:30pm at Keith venue TBA</li> </ul>

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Meeting Close	4:35 pm

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**Action Table**

<b>Action</b>	<b>Tatiara WAP Stakeholder Advisory Group Actions</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Outcome</b>
1.2	Positions for Onion and Potato Grower Organisations be held open for members if they are able to become involved as the planning process develops.	Ongoing	Organisations may be represented at any stage of review
1.4	Build in engagement of JBS into the Community Engagement Strategy	Engagement with JBS has been established	Ongoing
1.7	Set Ground Rules and the Charter as a standing meeting agenda item.	Ongoing	Remain open for discussion & review
1.14	Work on consumptive pools and unbundling will need to be scheduled into the groups work plan / forward agenda programme	On hold pending further advice on Landscapes Act unbundling provisions	Instruments to be used and how they would be used to be presented at next meeting
17.1	PE to draw up a draft protection zone based on wells identified as drawing from the fresher water lens for consideration by the group.	Draft produced	completed
17.3	PE to assess the implications of combining Wirrega and Keith confined management areas into one consumptive pool.		completed
18.1	PE to put on agenda for next meeting - discussion on recreational water use sites that are also bushfire last resort refuges and allowing for a certain amount of water to be exempt from requiring an allocation.	On agenda	
18.2	PE to put on agenda for next meeting – discussion on engagement with recreational water users/ sports grounds/ schools around their requirements of water use and the rules under the WAP.	On agenda	
18.3	PE & MM to come up with a draft communications engagement action plan or group to review.	Two draft plans developed	
18.4	PE to send out Poocher presentation maps to group	Sent out	
18.5	PE to circulate information and criteria around Poocher management zone.	Sent out	

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**Recommendation Table**

<b>No.</b>	<b>Recommendation</b>	<b>Board Decision</b>
6.1	That the nominations by Mundulla Vignerons Assoc. of David Edwards as member representative and Trent Reilly as observer representative be accepted and approved.	Approved
6.2	That the resignation of David Edwards as observer representative for the District Council of Tatiara be accepted.	Approved
6.3	That the District Council of Tatiara be contacted seeking a nomination for an observer representative to replace David Edwards.	Approved
6.4	That upon the disbandment of the USE NRM Group in February 2018 that the SAG charter be amended by the removal of the USE Group from the stakeholder membership list and that a community stakeholder representative membership position be added to the SAG charter.	Approved
6.5	That upon the disbandment of the USE NRM Group, Wayne Dodd be reappointed to the SAG as the community stakeholder representative member on the SAG.	Approved
6.6	That the final draft version of the principles as endorsed by the SAG be submitted to the Board for approval.	Approved
8.1	That the revised timeline for the Tatiara WAP review be submitted to the Board for endorsement.	Approved
8.2	That the group chair send a letter to the NRM board recommending that the Board provide comment to the Landscapes SA Bill public consultation on unbundling.	Approved
11.1	The amended group charter endorsed by the SAG to be submitted to the Board for approval.	Approved
12.1	The revised Tatiara WAP review and amendment timeline be submitted to the Board for approval.	Approved
13.1	That Michelle Irvine nomination to the group as observer representing SA Water be forwarded to the Board for approval.	Approved
14.1	Final endorsed drafts of all 6 discussion papers be forwarded to Board for approval to release.	Approved
16.1	That the resignation of Trent Reilly (Mundulla Vignerons) as observer be accepted. That the SAG decision to not replace this position be accepted.	

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**Members Task Table**

<b>Task No.</b>	<b>Task</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Outcome</b>
6.1 Check this task no	Members to consider the instruments outlined and potential areas of consumptive pool/s. Consider the provisions that the WAP needs to be built on e.g. enhancing trade, management of hot spots etc.	Ongoing	In development
18.1	Group to provide feedback and comments on management zone to protect town's water resource.	Two feedback replies received	
18.2	Group to provide comment on proposed entitlement/allocation classes	One feedback reply received	