

Tatiara WAP Stakeholder Advisory Group
Summary Meeting 9 26 July 2018 – 5pm NRSE Office Keith

Group Attendees-Graham Gates (Group chair (proxy) and member SENRM Board), Scott Manser - Lucerne Australia, Scott Campbell – Lucerne Australia, Wayne Dodd – USE NRM Group, David Edwards – Mundulla Vignerons Inc, Trent Reilly – Mundulla Vignerons Inc, Jodie Carey – SA Water, Paul Leadbeter – Conservation Council,

Apology- Robert Mock – District Council Tatiara, Michelle Irvine – SA Water, Richard Halliday – Livestock SA

Staff Attendees-Phil Elson (PE) – Acting Team Leader Water Policy & Planning NRSE, Rizwan Mahmood (RM) – Project Officer Water Planning NRSE

Item	Notes
Welcome	Graham Gates welcomed attendees
Previous meeting notes	<p>Action outcomes to note</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Copy of CSIRO salinity report to be circulated to the group. • Send out the draft minutes of the meeting as soon as they are ready along with tentative agenda of the next meeting. Group agreed that the dot point summary of the meeting is no longer required (as per Action 2.1) • A table of permit provisions relevant to Tatiara WAP is to be prepared in order to review and compare Tatiara related permit provisions against state wide permit provisions (see action 3.19) • Follow up with Roger Cranswick on the modelling report (see action 7.3) • Minutes and findings of the socio economic assessment workshop to be circulated to the group (see action 8.2) <p>Action 9.1 – Remove action 2.1 from action table.</p> <p>Outstanding action list items noted</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Action 6.1, 7.1 and 7.4 are completed and closed. • Action 8.1 is completed and endorsed by the board, and to be closed. • Actions 8.2 and 8.3 are completed. <p>Recommendations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recommendations 8.1 and 8.2 are completed and endorsed by the Board. <p>Advisory Group member Tasks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Task 6.1 ongoing
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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Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Minister has initiated the process for the introduction of the Landscapes SA Bill which will replace the NRM Act. His priorities are to ensure good public consultation and to simplify water planning. The Minister is keen to do it right. • The state wide community consultation forums on the Landscapes SA Bill will start from August onwards. There is a provision to comment and provide feedback online through Your Say website. • Reports on public consultation will be available after September this year. • Consultants have been engaged to start drafting the Landscapes SA Bill • It is planned that the Bill will be introduced into parliament in the first quarter of 2019. • There is uncertainty on the issues of unbundling, as we are not sure how the new Bill will shape up in this regards. <p>Comments from group – It is recommended and beneficial to delay work on unbundling as we are not sure what type of changes to the requirements of unbundling will be made in the new Act.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It is recommended to focus on what outcomes we wish to achieve and how to achieve these outcomes under the new Act. • The process of unbundling needs to be simplified and easy to understand • A letter from the group was sent to the Board to include the feedback on unbundling issues into the Landscapes SA reform community consultation process. The board has agreed with the group’s recommendations. Graham Gates extended his support to further raise the groups concerns with the Board. • Ideally unbundling should be optional in the new Act. We should have the option to opt it if it is useful for the Tatiara PWA or opt out if it is not useful at all. • It is recommended to develop an issue paper on unbundling whether it is useful or not and share it with the community for consultation. Phil is happy to draft a paper for community consultation. • The group could also have a position on unbundling and can come up with this position statement during community consultations and then take that position to the board. <p>Action 9.2 – PE to develop an issue paper on unbundling for the group outlining the pros and cons of unbundling in the Tatiara PWA.</p> <p>Comment by JC - Unbundling is to be simplified. We can get some advice from any professional (guru), who may be able to provide us with some options?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It is doable to get advice, however, unbundling will be complicated to implement under the current provisions of the NRM Act. • There was also an opinion to continue work on unbundling and decide on the type of work and progress based on discussion after each meeting • It was discussed to have two or three options on unbundling and see if it is useful for us or not? However, if we need to explore options, we need to do the classifications of areas, and do some research on 16km radius methodology etc.

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	<p>Comment by GG - Minister is planning frequent trips of the region it was suggested that the group could speak to him face to face and discuss.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The government will compile tables of all comments collated during the Landscapes SA Bill consultation and share on website. • NRSE staff to find out if it is ok to circulate the summary of the CSO advice on the Adelaide Plains WAP review to the group. <p>Action 9.3 – Summary of the crown solicitor advice on the Adelaide Plains WAP review– to be circulated to the group. Phil to find out with CSO, if it is ok to circulate the summary.</p>
Setting Objectives	<p>Current objectives and identifying gaps - PE presented the revised draft objectives, which were endorsed by the group with minor changes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Current objectives were reviewed to identify objectives that remain relevant, objectives that require amendment and objectives that no longer apply. • Revised objectives were presented by PE during the meeting. • All revised objectives are adopted by the group with minor adjustments and changes in the wordings. One new objective was also included.
Discussion Questions	<p>Key fundamental questions, vital for the review of Tatiara WAP were discussed and consensus was made;</p> <p>Q1. Area - What characteristics should be used to define the Consumptive Pool/ Management Areas? Consensus – Whole of PWA should be considered as the consumptive pool and that the Plains/Highlands and current management areas or similar be considered as management areas within the PWA.</p> <p>Q2. Use of water resources - What uses of the water resource should an allowance be made for? Consensus – After discussion, the group recommended that water needs to be set aside for the environment, stock and domestic, permanent licensed use and temporary licensed use (e.g. delivery supplements and special production requirements) and that we could have a scheme where returned temporary allocations could be reissued.</p> <p>Q3. Entitlements/Allocations - What types of licenced uses need to be allowed for and do they need to be treated or managed differently? Consensus – Public water supply and forestry. They needs to be treated and managed separately.</p> <p>Q4. Transfers - What ability to make entitlement and allocation transfers is desired? Consensus – Across the whole PWA with no restrictions would be preferred.</p>

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	<p>Q5. Amendments to the volume of the water resource considered available for extraction- When should the volume of a water resource be opened up to review and amendment? Consensus - At set intervals –mid-term with risk assessments.</p> <p>Q6. Delivery Supplements - Currently there is an assumption that 100% of DS is recharged back into the aquifer. Is this assumption still valid? Consensus – Yes, this assumption is still valid.</p>
Grouping of Issues	<p>The 26 issues identified in the Tatiara WAP review paper were grouped into 6 categories. The grouping is important to save time and avoid writing of unnecessary discussion papers for each issue. The issues were grouped into following 6 categories;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Group 1: issues related to consumptive pools. • Group 2: issues related to entitlements and allocations • Group 3: issues related to site extractions and use • Group 4: related to overarching issues • Group 5: issues related to landscapes • Group 6: issues related to monitoring. <p>The team endorsed the grouping mechanism at this stage, however, it is recommended that PE share the grouping table with the team and ask them to review and share their comments in the next meeting.</p> <p>Action 9.4 – PE to share the issues grouping table with the group members for their comments and suggestions. Group Task 9.1 – Group to review issues groupings for development of the discussions papers and provide feedback.</p>
Summary of Discussion – Next Steps	<p>Next meeting Date left open for the next meeting. Phil to provide at least 2 weeks’ notice before the next scheduled meeting date.</p>
Meeting Close	7.30pm

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Action	Tatiara WAP Stakeholder Advisory Group Actions	Status	Outcome
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	JBS to be contacted along with other confined users	Ongoing
1.7	Set Ground Rules and the Charter as a standing meeting agenda item.	ongoing	Remain open for discussion & review
1.12	The CSIRO salinity report prepared as part of the Padthaway project by Helen Cleugh be made available to the group. Kerry Degaris to source	Completed	Executive report to be circulated to group
1.13	Impacts of clay spreading / delving requires greater understanding – Naracoorte ranges report to be located and communicated to the group	Dan Newson to be contacted to provide clay spreading presentation to group	Address when discussion paper is prepared
1.14	Work on consumptive pools and unbundling will need to be scheduled into the groups work plan / forward agenda programme	Initial presentation done 9 Nov 2017 meeting	Discussed briefly during the Update on Landscapes SA Act
3.19	NRSE Staff to review permit provisions against state wide permit provisions.	Preliminary advice provided to group	NRSE staff to prepare table of permit provisions relevant to Tatiara WAP and share with the group
6.2	Staff to bring back some potential examples of unbundling and consumptive pool/s to help the group gain better understanding.	Further understanding of issues required	
7.2	Jen Schilling & Phil Elson to review boundary options and prepare some options based on discussion	On hold pending further CSO advice	On hold
7.3	Staff to circulate modelling report to group	Awaiting approval for release	Follow up with RC
8.2	Staff to report back to group on the socio-economic assessment workshop.	Awaiting update	NRSE to provide copy of the draft when available

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8.3	Phil Elson to draft a letter from the group concerning the Landscapes SA Bill consultation and the unbundling issue to the Board and forward to the group chair for approval.	Draft written	Final letter sent to the board and endorsed by the board
8.4	Phil Elson to present revised draft objectives from meeting 8 workshop group.	Draft objectives presented and updated during meeting 9.	Endorsed by the group with some minor changes
9.1	Remove ongoing action 2.1 from action table.	Done	Completed
9.2	PE to develop an issue paper on unbundling for the group outlining the pros and cons of unbundling in the Tatiara PWA.		
9.3	Summary of the crown solicitor office advice on the Adelaide Plains WAP review– to be circulated to the group.	Phil to find out with CSO, if it is ok to circulate the summary.	
9.4	PE to share the issues grouping table with the group members for their comments and suggestions	Phil to share the table with the group.	

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Recommendation Table**

No.	Recommendation	Board Decision
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

**Tatiara WAP Stakeholder Advisory Group
Members Task Table**

Task No.	Task	Status	Outcome
6.1	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	
9.1	Group to review issues groupings for development of the discussion papers and provide feedback.		