

CENTRAL TABLELANDS *Water*



Business Paper

Extraordinary Meeting of Central Tablelands Water

5th March 2019

Blayney

4th March 2019

Notice to Members

Your attendance is requested at an Extraordinary Meeting of Council to be held at the Blayney Filtration Plant Building, Blayney on Tuesday, 5th March 2019 at 2pm.

Agenda

1. Public Forum
2. Apologies for non-attendance
3. Reports of Staff

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'G. Rhodes', is positioned above the printed name and title.

G. Rhodes
General Manager

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01) TRUNK MAIN K RENEWAL (WS.AM.1)

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IP&R Link: Strategy Priority 1 – Providing a high quality and reliable drinking water supply – 1.1.1 Deliver capital works program based on asset management data.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council:

1. Note the report, and
2. Proceed with the completion of Trunk Main K Stage 3 as per the adopted budget for financial year 2018/19.

REPORT

As reported at the February 2019 Council meeting, a detailed submission for the Trunk Main K (Stage 3) project was submitted to the Safe and Secure Water Program (SSWP) for consideration by the SSWP Technical Review Panel (TRP).

Further operational and maintenance costings were requested in late January by the TRP independent economic analysers for the Trunk Main K application. CTW was then awaiting the recommendations of the SSWP TRP which were scheduled to meet on 21 February 2019.

Council resolved at the February meeting, *“That Council not proceed with Trunk Main K (Stage 3) unless it receives approval of funding under the Safe & Secure Water Program.”*

As this final stage of the project is “shovel ready” and has a limited “window of opportunity” due to the alignment of the pipeline going through various farming properties, it was critical to know the outcome of the SSWP TRP meeting regarding the Trunk Main K application.

After the General Manager contacted the Chair of the SSWP TRP on the 22nd and 25th of February, he was advised that the Trunk Main K application was not recommended to proceed by the SSWP TRP, as it was considered a pipeline replacement/renewal as opposed to an augmentation project.

Although the recommendation of the SSWP TRP is very disappointing, Stage 3 requires completion to realise the full operational cost benefits through reduced electricity usage for running Gooloogong Bore pumps, Gooloogong Surface pumps, and McDonalds Lane Surface pumps, as well as known weaknesses of the pipeline that will result in continued breakages and failures.

Cancelling or delaying this project further, would also create undue reputational damage to CTW from its suppliers and contractors who have secured materials and delivery programs based on preliminary advice following discussions at the December 2018 Council meeting, whereby Council was adamant that the Trunk Main K project should be completed this financial year.

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS

Capital Budget 2018/19

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Nil

ATTACHMENTS

Nil