



Central Tablelands Water



Newsletter

August 2014

2014/2015 OPERATIONAL PLAN



The 2014/2015 Operational Plan estimates an operating deficit of \$37,670 after providing for a depreciation expense of \$1,881,144.

As previously advised, Council has embarked on an extensive 30 year capital works program (approx. \$50 million in 2014 \$ terms) funded by a significant financial plan. In order to support this program and continue to fund recurrent expenditure, consumption charges for all accounts issued after 1 July 2014 will increase

by 5% from \$2.15/kL to \$2.25/kL. Also, from 1 July 2014, residential and rural consumers will no longer be subject to a 50% increase in the usage charge for consumption in excess of 450 kL per annum. The annual availability charge is not increasing and will remain at \$200.00 for a standard 20mm service.

From 1 July 2014, consumption and availability charges for consumers in Quandialla will be the same as those charged in the rest of the supply system, namely \$2.25/kL and \$200 per annum for a standard 20mm service.

In 2014/2015, Council's Section 64 Developer Charge will increase from \$8,333 per ET (equivalent tenement) to \$8,557 per ET in accordance with the adopted 2012 Developer Servicing Plan. The Capital Contribution Charge for in-fill blocks will increase from \$3,870/ET to \$3,974/ET.

The following capital works are planned in 2014/2015:

- Plant & Vehicle Replacements(Net cost) \$ 82,000.00
- Meter & Services Replacement \$ 102,189.00
- Trunk Main Relocation – Gooloogong Bridge \$ 204,977.00
- Carcoar Water Filtration Plant - Low Level Storage & Plenum Floor Repair \$ 645,000.00
- Blayney Water Treatment Plant - Upgrade/On-line Monitoring \$ 700,000.00
- Administration Building Refurbishment \$ 27,000.00

2014/2015 Fees & Charges

Water Charges Per Kilolitre

Residential/Rural	\$2.25
Non Residential	\$2.25
Industrial	\$2.25
Standpipe Sales	\$6.10

Water Charges Quandialla - Per Kilolitre

Residential/Rural	\$2.25
Standpipe Sales	\$7.00

Availability Charges Per Annum

20mm	\$200.00
25mm	\$313.00
32mm	\$512.00
40mm	\$800.00
50mm	\$1,250.00
80mm	\$3,200.00
100mm and over	\$5,000.00

Fire Service \$200.00

Unconnected Built Upon properties \$100.00

Availability Charges Quandialla—20mm

Connected or disconnected Per Annum \$200.00

Tenants and Landlords

Property owners will receive all water accounts and are responsible for their payment.

A number of landlords have lease agreements that stipulate that the tenant is responsible for the water usage or consumptions charge. The billing of tenants is the owner or agents responsibility.

Central Tablelands Water will not be involved in any arrangement to collect money from tenants.



Refillit Water Bottles



In an effort to reduce the impact on the environment with the use of bottled water, CTW is promoting the use of refillable water bottles.

People are encouraged to drink tap water from refillable bottles. Australian tap water is internationally recognised and is often a higher standard than bottled water. It is amazing that nationally Australians spend over half a billion dollars annually on bottled water, especially when bottled water can be up to 1,500 times more expensive than tap water.

A limited number of Refillit refillable water bottles are currently available at a discounted price of **\$5.00** (normally sold for \$14.95), and can be purchased from CTW's Blayney office or from Cabonne Council's Molong office and Weddin Shire Council.

Your Water Account

There are a number of payment options available to Central Tablelands Water customers, and these are detailed on the bottom of your current account.

Having trouble paying your account?

If you are unable to pay your account by the due date you can contact us to make alternative payment arrangement to suit your circumstances.

Saving Water

Central Tablelands Water is a proud member & supporter of the Savewater!@ Alliance, a not-for-profit organisation designed to help you save water and contribute to a sustainable future.

Visit Council's website www.ctw.nsw.gov.au and click on the link to Savewater!@ Alliance for a wealth of information on water conservation for around the home, business, farm or school.



Did you know...?
A slowly leaking tap can waste around 20,000 litres of water per year

GENERAL MANAGER RETIRES

Central Tablelands Water's General Manager, Tony Perry, has announced his intentions to retire at the end of his current contract period on 8th August 2014.

Tony entered Local Government in 1973 working for Walgett Shire Council, and then Cabonne Council. He then took a three-year break from the sector before he started at Central Tablelands Water County Council where he has worked for 23 years, firstly as finance manager and then as general manager for the last 16 years.

In this time, Mr Perry has proved himself as an excellent administrator and has led CTW to achieve many successes.

His commitment to sound financial management resulted in the council repaying all of its debt in the 1990s, while his dedication to consultation and sustainability has seen the provision of a fully self-funded and high quality water supply to the local community.

As a member of the Local Government Managers Association (LGMA) for over 20 years, a board member on the Central NSW Councils and a board member of the Wellington, Blayney, Cabonne and Central Tablelands Water Strategic Alliance, Tony has been integral to the region's recognised success in securing quality water supplies for the community's future.

Tony's contribution has led to the receipt of a Highly Commended for Excellence in Leadership and Innovation for Rural Councils' at the LGMA Awards and a national Engineering for Regional Communities' award from Engineers Australia for the Water Security Study.

In June 2014, Tony was awarded a Public Service Medal (PSM) in the Queens Birthday Honours list for his outstanding services to Local Government.

Tony has been considering retirement for more than six years, and has had time to reflect on the great achievements made by his team over the last 20 years.

Tony says when his contract expires in early August, he will spend a few months taking in the scenery, before working on improving his golf handicap, and brushing up on his keyboard skills.



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