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1. About this report

Category 2 water authorities (water authorities) must provide an annual report and audited financial statements to the Minister for Local Government and Water and Minister for Fire, Disaster Recovery and Volunteers (the Minister).

The Minister must table in the Queensland Parliament, either a copy of each water authority's annual report or a consolidated report for all water authorities.

This report is a consolidation of the individual annual reports produced by water authorities for the financial year ending 30 June 2025. It includes both general and specific information about the water authorities including their function, constitution date, contact details, membership, staff, operations, and financial information.

Copies of an individual water authority's annual report and audited financial statements are available either from the water authority or the Department of Local Government, Water and Volunteers (the department).

2. General information

As of 30 June 2025, there are 15 water authorities constituted under the *Water Act 2000* (the Act).

Water authorities vary in size from those serving only a few landholders, where landholders share the cost and workload of maintaining the water infrastructure, to those that support more than five hundred properties, run a multi-million-dollar budget, and employ full-time staff.

Water authorities are statutory bodies under the *Financial Accountability Act 2009* and the *Statutory Bodies Financial Arrangements Act 1982*. Many water authorities are also registered water service providers under the *Water Supply (Safety and Reliability) Act 2008*.

In 2009, the Webbe-Weller Review recommended the abolishment of all water authorities and the transfer of their functions to an alternative institutional structure. From 1 July 2012, the obligations of a water authority as a statutory body under the *Financial Accountability Act 2009* significantly increased.

The Act provides several options for a water authority to dissolve to an alternative institutional structure. Since that time, 39 water authorities have transferred the provision of their functions away from a statutory body framework to an alternative institutional structure, or to the local government.

The following water authorities, while still statutory bodies as of 30 June 2025, have formally requested to dissolve to alternative institutional structures in previous financial years:

- Fernlee Water Authority
- Bollon West Water Authority
- Ingie Water Authority.

The department has continued to work with Fernlee Water Authority to progress their dissolution to three closed water activity agreements.

The department has continued to work with Ingie Water Authority to progress their dissolution to two closed water activity agreements.

The department has continued to work with the Department of Natural Resources and Mines, Manufacturing, and Regional and Rural Development to progress requirements specific to the Bollon West Water Authority, in their dissolution to multiple closed water activity agreements.

Meanwhile, water authorities are progressing, as applicable, with meeting their legislative obligations. The department will continue working alongside and actively supporting water authorities.

Agency role and main functions

Under section 569 of the Act, a water authority's main function is to carry out the water activities decided by the water authority. If the water authority has an authority area, its main function is to carry out the water activities for the authority area.

Water activities may include water supply for domestic and stock purposes, and irrigation. Water authorities may also provide coordinated drainage systems in agriculturally productive areas.

Section 11 – Water authority membership and contact details, outlines the main function of each water authority.

Machinery of government changes

Due to machinery of government changes in October 2024, governance oversight of water authorities has transitioned from the Department of Regional Development, Manufacturing and Water to the department.

Location of water authority areas

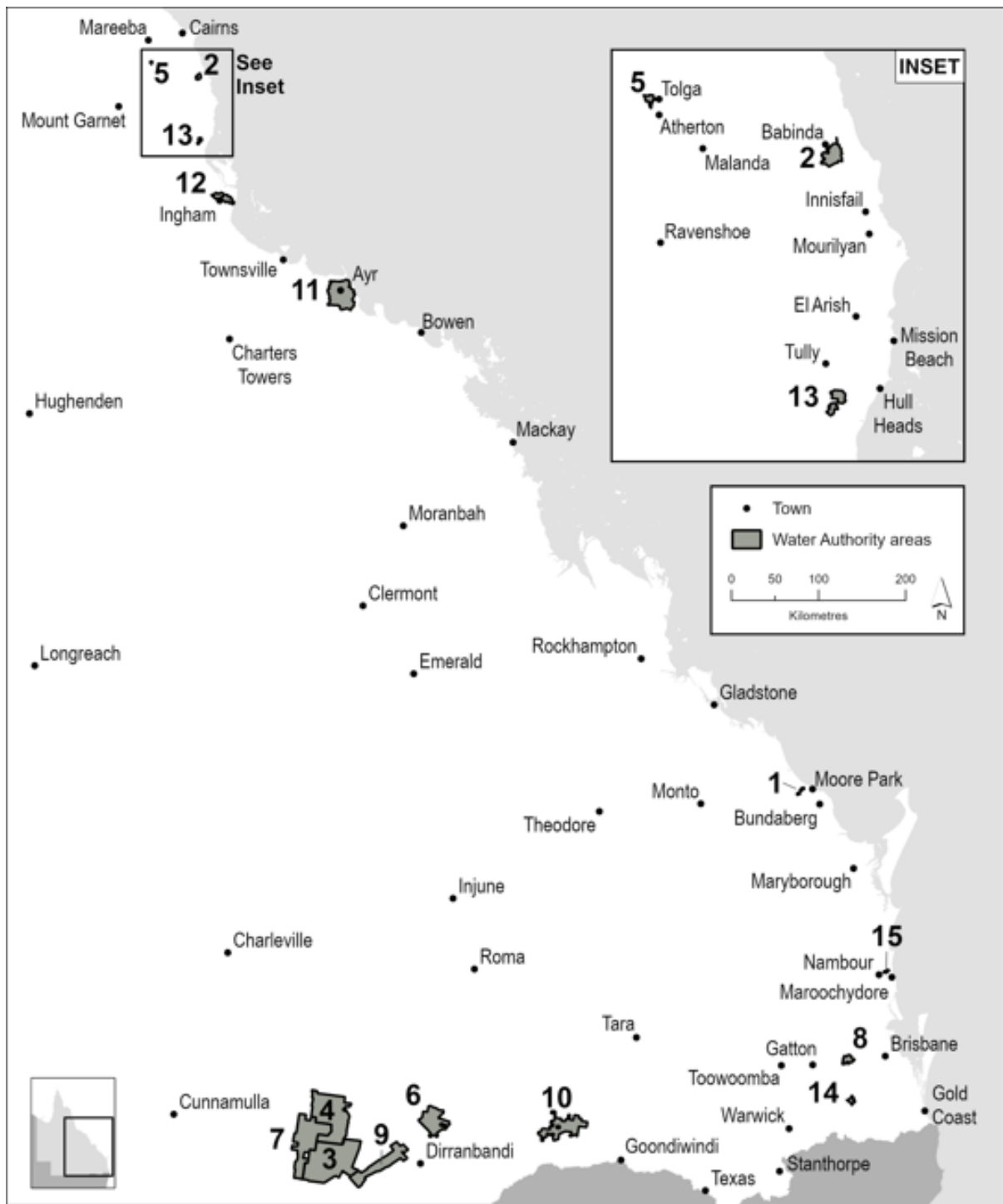
Table 1 lists the water authorities in alphabetical order alongside the administrative plan reference number for the authority areas and relevant local government(s) for each of their authority areas.

Table 1: Administrative plan reference numbers and relevant local government authority areas

Map Index	Water Authority	Administrative Plan Ref. No.	Local government
1	Avondale Water Board	AP4014	Bundaberg Regional Council
2	Babinda Swamp Drainage Board	AP4045	Cairns Regional Council
3	Bollon South Water Authority	AP6513	Balonne Shire Council
4	Bollon West Water Authority	AP7351	Balonne and Maranoa Shire Councils
5	Bones Knob Water Board	AP4016	Tablelands Regional Council
6	Eugun Bore Water Authority	AP7343	Balonne Shire Council
7	Fernlee Water Authority	AP6941	Balonne and Paroo Shire Councils
8	Glamorgan Vale Water Board	AP22179	Somerset Regional and Ipswich City Councils
9	Ingie Water Authority	AP7350	Balonne Shire Council
10	Kaywanna Bore Water Board	AP13400	Goondiwindi Regional Council
11	Lower Burdekin Water	AP22327	Burdekin Shire Council
12	Lower Herbert Water Management Authority	AP4064	Hinchinbrook Shire Council
13	Orchard Creek and East Euramo Drainage Board	AP22324	Cassowary Coast Regional Council
14	Roadvale Water Board	AP4038	Scenic Rim Regional Council
15	South Maroochy Drainage Board	AP4059	Sunshine Coast Regional Council

Figure 1 shows the location of the authority area for each of the 15 water authorities operating as of 30 June 2025.

Figure 1: Map showing the location of water authorities (see Table 1 for map index)



Letters of compliance

The chairpersons of eleven of the 15 water authorities have certified that their water authority's 2024–2025 annual report complies with the:

- prescribed requirements of the *Financial Accountability Act 2009* and the *Financial and Performance Management Standard 2019*; and
- detailed requirements set out in the Department of the Premier and Cabinet's publication, *Annual report requirements for Queensland Government agencies*.

At the time of printing the following water authorities had not submitted a letter of compliance and annual report for the 2024–2025 financial year.

- Bollon South Water Authority
- Bollon West Water Authority
- Eugun Bore Water Authority
- Fernlee Water Authority.

The department will continue to consult with these water authorities with regards to meeting annual reporting and compliance requirements.

Eugun Bore Water Authority has not submitted an annual report since 2017–2018.

3. Non-financial performance

Government's objectives for the community / specific initiatives

All water authorities provide services that are consistent with whole-of-government plans and specific initiatives addressing issues for Queensland. Water authorities provide services that support the Government objectives for the community, *A better lifestyle through a stronger economy* and *A plan for Queensland's future*.

Water authorities meet these objectives by:

- Providing essential water services to support the community, industry, environment as well as local and regional economies
- Investing in long-term water infrastructure and where applicable, employee development to ensure ongoing water security for the next generation.

More information on the Government's objectives for the community can be found on the Queensland Government website¹.

¹ <https://www.qld.gov.au/about/how-government-works/objectives-for-the-community>

Objectives and performance indicators

At the time of printing, eleven of the 15 water authorities reported that they have met the objectives of or performed consistently with their strategic plans.

Water authorities also report that they achieved their objectives with a value for money approach.

Section 9 – Overview of operations provides a summary of each water authority's progress against its strategic plan.

Service areas and service standards

Water authorities are self-funding and therefore service areas and service standards in relation to the State Budget are not applicable.

4. Financial performance

Summary of financial performance

Under the *Auditor-General Act 2009*, the Queensland Auditor-General is required to audit the 2024–2025 financial statements of each water authority.

In accordance with section 42(1) of the *Financial and Performance Management Standard 2019* unaudited financial statements are not included in this consolidated annual report. Any financial statements received but not yet audited by the Auditor-General, and any other financial statements received after the time of printing this report, will be included in the 2025–2026 consolidated annual report as corrections.

Eugun Bore Water Authority has outstanding financial statements from 2014–2015.

At the time of printing, ten of the 15 water authorities have submitted their financial statements to the Queensland Audit Office. Of these, the Auditor-General has certified the financial statements of one water authority, as identified in Table 2 below. This audited financial statement can be found at Appendix B.

Table 2: Date of completion of 2024–2025 independent audit reports

Name of water authority	Date of independent audit report	Audit opinion
Bollon West Water Authority	18 July 2025	Disclaimer

Disclaimer

The Auditor-General issues a disclaimer of opinion for Bollon West Water Authority. The basis for the disclaimed opinion was that the water authority did not comply with the

requirements of section 39(2) of the *Financial Performance Management Standard 2019* nor had regard to the minimum reporting requirements published by Queensland Treasury.

Income

The primary source of water authority income during the year was from their respective customers and ratepayers. Water authorities may make and levy charges on a volumetric basis for water activities carried out, or if not charged volumetrically, based on the ratepayer's land within the authority area. As not for profit entities, water authorities may apply for grant funding.

From the financial statement audited by the Queensland Audit Office prior to printing, one water authority reported income for the year equalling \$11,477.

Expenditure

From the one financial statement audited by the Queensland Audit Office prior to printing, funds were spent as detailed below.

Administration

One water authority reported administration costs equalling \$10,245 representing 100 per cent of total expenditure reported.

Table 3: Water authority administration expenditure

Name of water authority	Amount	Percentage of expenditure
Bollon West Water Authority	\$10,245	100

Loan indebtedness

As of 30 June 2025, three water authorities reported having loans. All water authorities reported that they have the financial ability to service their debts.

Bones Knob Water Board has one loan that was taken out on 30 April 2019 with final payment expected on 30 April 2028.

Glamorgan Vale Water Board took out a loan for capital works with the Queensland Treasury Corporation on 12 December 2014 over a period of 20 years. The final payment is due on 15 December 2034. They also took out a loan for \$160,000 for a Telemetry upgrade, drawn down on 17 January 2020 over a period of 10 years. The final payment is due on 17 December 2029. A loan for capital works was taken out on 6 May 2025 with the term of the loan 10 years. The final payment is due on 15 March 2035.

Lower Burdekin Water currently has three outstanding loans with the Queensland Treasury Corporation. Loan one commenced on 16 April 2020 with the final payment

due 21 January 2040. Loan two commenced on 24 May 2021 with the final payment due 15 March 2041. Loan three commenced on 9 December 2021 with the final payment due 16 September 2041.

Table 4: Water authority loan indebtedness

Name of water authority	Purpose	Loan indebtedness
Bones Knob Water Board	Pump improvements	\$3,000
Glamorgan Vale Water Board	Capital works and a telemetry upgrade	\$219,875
Lower Burdekin Water	Capital works	\$4,939,080

Correction to the consolidation of previous annual reports and financial statements

The 2023–2024 financial statements of 12 water authorities were unaudited at the time of printing the 2023–2024 Consolidated Annual Report. The Auditor-General has now completed an independent audit report on the financial statements for 10 of these water authorities, as listed in Table 9.

Financial statements for these water authorities are available at Appendix C.

Table 5: Date of completion of independent audit reports from previous financial years

Name of water authority	Financial Year	Date of independent audit report	Audit opinion
Orchard Creek and East Euramo Drainage Board	2023-2024	22 August 2024	Unmodified
Kaywanna Bore Water Board	2023-2024	26 August 2024	Qualified
Lower Herbert Water Management Authority	2023-2024	29 August 2024	Unmodified
South Maroochy Drainage Board	2023-2024	30 August 2024	Disclaimer
Avondale Water Board	2023-2024	17 September 2024	Unmodified
Bollon South Water Authority	2023-2024	23 September 2024	Qualified
Lower Burdekin Water	2023-2024	23 September 2024	Unmodified
Bones Knob Water Board	2023-2024	24 September 2024	Qualified
Glamorgan Vale Water Board	2023-2024	24 September 2024	Unmodified

Name of water authority	Financial Year	Date of independent audit report	Audit opinion
Fernlee Water Authority	2023-2024	21 February 2025	Qualified

Disclaimer

In issuing reports on the water authorities' financial statements, the Auditor-General issued a disclaimer of audit opinion in relation to the financial statements of South Maroochy Drainage Board.

The water authority did not comply with the requirements of section 39(2) of the *Financial and Performance Management Standard 2019*, nor had regard to the financial reporting requirements for Queensland Government agencies published by the Queensland Treasury. Subsequently, the water authority did not prepare general purpose financial statements in accordance with required accounting standards.

Additionally, the water authority provided insufficient evidence to support the recognition and measurement of non-current assets in accordance with the applicable accounting standards.

Qualified

The Auditor-General provided a qualified audit opinion for the financial statements of Bones Knob Water Board, Bollon South Water Authority, Fernlee Water Authority and Kaywanna Bore Water Board. This is due to insufficient evidence provided for the existence of, and value of assets, property, plant, and equipment. There is also insufficient evidence provided for the depreciation expense and accumulated depreciation to demonstrate the values are appropriate and in accordance with the required accounting standards.

Unmodified

The Auditor-General provided unmodified opinions for the financial statements of Avondale Water Board, Glamorgan Vale Water Board, Lower Herbert Water Management Authority, and Lower Burdekin Water. These financial statements were certified in accordance with section 40 of the *Auditor-General Act 2009*:

- all the information and explanations required were received
- it was considered that the prescribed requirements in relation to the establishment and keeping of accounts had been complied with in all material respects.

5. Governance – management and structure

Organisational structure

Each water authority is managed by a board of directors. Directors are nominated by a water authority in accordance with section 609 of the Act. The Minister may appoint directors after receiving these nominations.

A director holds office for the term stated in their instrument of appointment.

Amendments to the Act, effective 20 September 2023, changed the term of appointment for future water authority directors from three to four years.

Amendments to the Act, effective 24 May 2019, included changes to the selection and recruitment process for directors of water authorities and removed the provision that allowed directors to remain in office beyond their expiry date until new directors are appointed.

During 2024–2025, nine water authorities have undertaken a selection and nomination process due to directors reaching the end of their appointed terms or the position becoming vacant. The appointment process for three of these water authorities is yet to be finalised. Of the completed appointment processes, the Minister made 23 director appointments or reappointments.

Fernlee Water Authority has been provided a Ministerial Notice under section 609(7) of the Act. This Notice advises they are not required to conduct a nomination and selection process for the appointment of directors due to having submitted a formal request to the chief executive to undertake a dissolution process.

The contact person for each water authority as of 30 June 2025 is listed in this report in Section 11 – Water authority membership and contact details. Beyond this date, please contact the department for information.

Executive management

Water authorities meet as necessary for the conduct of their operations. There is no minimum requirement for the conduct of meetings for water authorities. Meeting and remuneration details for each water authority received at the time of printing are listed in Appendix A.

Table 6: Summary of meetings held 1 July 2024 – 30 June 2025

Name of water authority	Meetings held
Avondale Water Board	One
Babinda Swamp Drainage Board	Two

Name of water authority	Meetings held
Bones Knob Water Board	One
Glamorgan Vale Water Board	12
Ingie Water Authority	NIL
Kaywanna Bore Water Board	One
Lower Burdekin Water	89
Lower Herbert Water Management Authority	Five
Orchard Creek and East Euramo Drainage Board	One
Roadvale Water Board	11
South Maroochy Drainage Board	One

Government bodies (statutory bodies and other entities)

A director of a water authority who meets the eligibility requirements for remuneration is entitled to be paid the fees and allowances approved by the Minister under section 624 of the Act. The current remuneration rates were approved by the former Minister for Natural Resources and Mines on 28 July 2014.

Water authorities were advised at that time that Consumer Price Index increases were not applicable when calculating remuneration for board members.

The fees and allowances payable to chairpersons and directors during the financial year are consistent with the policy administered by the Department of the Premier and Cabinet titled, *'Remuneration procedures for part-time chairs and members of Queensland Government bodies'*².

Remuneration of directors is not paid by the Queensland Government but is paid by the relevant water authority from rates and charges paid by its ratepayers.

Fees and allowances are payable to directors to the following maximum rates:

- Water authorities, other than Lower Burdekin Water:
 - a meeting fee of \$390 for chairpersons and \$300 for directors
 - half the fee if the meeting is of four hours duration or less.
- Lower Burdekin Water:
 - a meeting fee of \$520 for chairpersons and \$400 for directors
 - half the fee if the meeting is of four hours duration or less.

² <https://www.premiers.qld.gov.au/publications/categories/policies-and-codes/handbooks/welcome-a-board/remuneration/procedures.aspx>

In addition to the above meeting fees, all necessary and reasonable expenses incurred while travelling on approved water authority business and to attend meetings were payable as follows:

- economy class air travel domestic travelling allowances
- allowances for use of a private motor vehicle.

Details of meetings held, remuneration paid, and related expenses can be seen in Appendix A, Remuneration of chairpersons and directors.

During the year, the total amount of daily meeting fees and allowances reported as paid by Glamorgan Vale Water Board, Lower Burdekin Water, Lower Herbert Water Management Authority and Roadvale Water Board to chairpersons, was \$33,020. The total amount for meetings as paid to directors (exclusive of chairpersons) was \$43,545.

Other expenses (including motor vehicle allowances, travelling expenses, and reasonable out-of-pocket expenses) paid by Lower Burdekin Water, Lower Herbert Water Management Authority and Roadvale Water Board to chairpersons and directors totalled \$9,103.

Table 7: Summary of fees and allowances paid 1 July 2024 – 30 June 2025

Name of water authority	Paid to chairperson	Paid to directors
Glamorgan Vale Water Board	\$4,875	\$11,400
Lower Burdekin Water	\$25,220	\$24,000
Lower Herbert Water Management Authority	\$975	\$3,450
Roadvale Water Board	\$1,950	\$4,695

The remaining water authorities do not remunerate their chairpersons or directors.

Public Sector Ethics

The *Public Sector Ethics Act 1994* (PSEA) applies to public service agencies and public sector entities (water authorities) as defined under the PSEA. In accordance with section 12M(2) of the PSEA, a water authority's annual report must include an implementation statement detailing the action taken during the reporting period to comply with the following sections of the PSEA:

- Section 12K – Education and training
- Section 12L – Procedures and practices
- Section 15 – Preparation of codes of conduct

Directors are advised of their obligations when appointed to their respective water authority and advised to access the Department of the Premier and Cabinet's

publication titled '*Welcome Aboard: A guide for members of Queensland Government Boards, committees, and statutory authorities*'³.

Eleven water authorities report that they have adopted a code of conduct that is reviewed and updated on an annual basis.

Human Rights

Water authorities were formally advised of their requirement to comply with the *Human Rights Act 2019* in December 2019, having a responsibility to make decisions and act compatibly with the human rights of individuals in everyday operations and interactions with the community.

Directors are advised of their obligations when appointed to their respective water authorities and advised to access to the Department of the Premier and Cabinet's publication titled '*Welcome Aboard: A guide for members of Queensland Government Boards, committees, and statutory authorities.*'

Water authorities reported no complaints under the *Human Rights Act 2019*.

6. Governance – risk management and accountability

Risk management

At the end of a financial year, as part of their annual report, each water authority submits the following documents to the department:

- financial statements
- a budget for the next financial year
- a notice of any proposed significant action
- a financial questionnaire on the following topics:
 - budgeting
 - borrowings
 - risk management
 - insurance
 - gross revenue
- an indebtedness statement.

³ <https://www.premiers.qld.gov.au/publications/categories/policies-and-codes/handbooks/welcome-aboard.aspx>

Lower Burdekin Water uses a Risk Management Framework which is compliant with the requirements set out in ISO31000:2018 and Financial and Performance Management Standard 2019. The Board utilises a Risk and Governance Committee and a Finance and Audit Committee to assist with managing both non-financial and financial risks within the business. Both Committees operate independently under their own charters.

Roadvale Water Board uses the following approaches to identify and monitor areas of significant operational or financial risk:

- Upgrading the tanks to ensure continuous supply
- Upgrading the pump station to improve efficiency and reliability
- Spider monitoring system to alert to any sudden changes in water supply
- Having non-potable water signs at customers properties
- Having a warning sign on the back of the utility to indicate stopping vehicle
- Having temporary fencing and water filled barriers in use
- Ensuring roadwork signs are used during maintenance near roads
- Having an 'issues' form to document and manage reported issues
- Notifying customers if there is to be an interruption to supply
- Providing a magnet for customer so they can inform the water authority of any breakages
- Having a backup of computer files
- Having dual signatories for bank account withdrawals.

Notice of Proposed Significant Action

As per section 580 of the Act, if a water authority proposes to do anything that may prevent or have a significant adverse effect on the authority performing its main function; or a water authority proposes to sell or buy property for more than \$100,000; it must give the Minister notice of the proposed significant action.

No water authority has given the Minister a notice of proposed significant action for 2025–2026.

Audit committee

Water authority directors undertake the role of an audit committee by ensuring appropriate accounting standards are used for their respective water authority and that there is proper examination of their water authority's financial arrangements.

Water authorities are able to engage consultants to review their financial arrangements.

Lower Burdekin Water established a Finance and Audit Committee to assist it with its role of ensuring the appropriate accounting standards are used and that there is proper examination of their financial arrangements. The Finance and Audit Committee provides assistance to the Board in fulfilling the Board's responsibilities relating to financial management, reporting and compliance. To that end, the Committee will oversee management's processes and activities relating to:

- maintaining the reliability and integrity of financial policies and reporting
- the independent auditor's qualifications and independence
- compliance with applicable laws and regulations
- preparation of budgets and forecasts
- financial risk management and the internal control environment
- projections of future financial performance, analysis of the financial effect of proposed corporate transactions, borrowings and capital structure.

There were seven Finance and Audit Committee meetings held during the 2024-2025 financial year. Members of the committee include:

- Chair: Mrs Neomi Butler
- Member: Mrs Helen Stanton
- Member: Mrs Glenis Jones

Internal audit

When required, the water authorities undertake internal audit functions. No issues were reported by any water authority for the year.

External scrutiny

Except for audits of the financial statements conducted by the Queensland Audit Office, no external auditor reviews of water authority's operations occurred during the reporting period.

Information systems and recordkeeping

Each water authority has established record management systems appropriate for its size and operations. Eleven water authorities have reported that their record keeping complies with the *Public Records Act 2023*.

7. Governance – human resources

Strategic workforce planning and performance

Water authority information including directors and appointment dates is provided in Section 11 – Water authority membership and contact details.

Three water authorities reported that they employ staff.

Eight water authorities reported they do not employ staff.

Glamorgan Vale Water Board employed 1.2 full time equivalent staff during the 2024-2025 financial year.

- On-line procurement training
- Guided computer programme specific training
- Staff turnover is very low. The policies of the board have enabled them to attract an inclusive, diverse and capable workforce.
- Employee performance is constantly managed by the directors at monthly meetings.
- Employees are encouraged to contribute ideas for improvements to the board.
- Remote access to the computer network enables staff to work from home when necessary. This change has promoted flexible working arrangements and a healthy work life balance.
- The board supports gender equity and offers opportunities and encourages participation on both the board and staff to all suitably qualified applicants.
- The board supports women in leadership and actively searches for female nominees for both staff and any board position.

Lower Burdekin Water has a range of human resource policies in place to guide the behaviour and performance within the workplace. The water authority has an Equal Employment Opportunity, Discrimination and Harassment Policy to guide the business in respect to diversity and utilises its Fitness for Work policy to assist in managing and supporting employee mental and physical wellbeing. The water authority has achieved a gender balance on its board of directors.

Lower Burdekin Water operates under the Federal Water Industry Award 2020 and utilises external service providers from time to time to assist in human resource activities including policy review and development, recruitment and benchmarking of salaries.

Lower Burdekin Water employed 17.1 full time equivalent staff during the 2024-2025 financial year. Staff received training in the following areas:

- MYOB advance
- Arc GIS
- Verification of Competencies
- Leadership
- Heavy rigid vehicles
- Chemical safety
- First Aid, CPR and low voltage rescue
- High risk – forklift and dogging
- Meter installation and validation
- Foundations of secretarial practice.

Roadvale Water Board employed 1.7 full time equivalent staff during the 2024-2025 financial year.

- Staff are able to work flexible hours
- Administration/finance work is undertaken at employee's home office
- Male and female employees are employed by the board
- Staff did not undertake formal training
- Directors remain in regular contact with staff between board meetings
- Staff are regularly acknowledged for initiative and improvements in service delivery
- Staff are given autonomy in their roles and support where needed
- Wages are regularly reviewed to ensure correct pay rates and overtime rates
- Monthly meetings are held to ensure regular review of employee performance.

Early retirement, redundancy, and retrenchment

No early retirement, redundancy, or retrenchment packages were paid during 2024–2025 by any water authority.

8. Open data

Where available, information in relation to the below areas will be made publicly accessible at the Government's Open Data website: www.data.qld.gov.au

Consultancies

During the year, water authorities reported expenditure on the following consultancies:

Table 8: Water authority consultancy expenditure

Water Authority	Management	Human resource management	Finance/ Accounting	Professional / technical	Total Cost
Glamorgan Vale Water Board			\$17,145		\$17,145
Lower Burdekin Water		\$148,125	\$54,800	\$79,081	\$282,006

Overseas travel

Water authority directors did not travel overseas on water authority business during the year.

Queensland Language Services Policy

Water authority directors did not access Queensland Language Services during the year.

Charter of Victims' Rights

Water authorities reported no complaints relevant to the Charter of Victims' Rights under the *Victims' Commissioner and Sexual Violence Review Board Act 2024*.

9. Overview of operations

Avondale Water Board

Avondale Water Board has continued to pump and distribute water from the Kolan River to 850 hectares of irrigable land owned by seven ratepayers within the gazetted area. In addition, the water authority supplies untreated water from the Kolan River to the Burnett Shire Council for its town water supply on an as needs basis and maintained the pump stations, 8.1 kilometres of pipelines and metered outlets constructed by the water authority.

The water authority pumped a total of 1,658.94 megalitres of water during the 2024–2025 water year representing 37 per cent of its nominal allocation of 4,500 megalitres. 261.51 megalitres was delivered to stage one customers and 1,397.43 megalitres to stage two customers. This year's water usage was 180.78 megalitres more than last year.

Electricity costs to pump water across the water authority's two stages amounted to \$224,374 at an average cost of \$135 per megalitre delivered. Maintenance costs

incurred throughout the year totalled \$6,883. Repairs to motors were the only capital works undertaken throughout the year at a cost of \$24,519.

Bundaberg Sugar Ltd has continued to provide secretarial services and maintenance management at no charge to the water authority to reduce its administrative costs.

The water authority is satisfied the current revenue regime is sufficient to cover all anticipated expenses and the entity has the capacity to continue to invoice customers to cover repairs and maintenance on a 50/50 basis for nominal allocation per usage.

The water authority continues to encourage transfers of announced allocation within the authority area. In compliance with the Sugar Industry Infrastructure Program application that requested funding to increase sugar cane production within the benefited area, the board maintains a policy that discourages transfers out of the authority area.

There are no major significant changes to the environment in which the water authority operates, other than the continued steep rises in electricity costs.

The objectives within its Strategic Plan include:

- provide fair and transparent pricing
- continue to maintain assets
- strive towards higher levels of reliable water supply whilst containing administration costs.

The water authority met objectives for the 2024–2025 reporting period as follows:

- facilities were maintained without disruption to water supply.
- value for money was achieved as costs did not increase from previous years.

Babinda Swamp Drainage Board

The Babinda Swamp Drainage Board's principal aim is to provide improved drainage within the area to ensure continued maintenance of the existing drainage works and to provide proper administration. The water authority comprises approximately 4,000 hectares which is utilised for cane production. There are approximately 10 kilometres of drains and 23 rural properties which benefit from the system.

The water authority continued to monitor the drainage system for functionality and remains very focused on environmental factors particularly water quality.

The water authority remains a major stakeholder in Project 25 (a grower-driven water monitoring program for the Russell Catchment) and continues to work with Project 25, the Reef and Rainforest Research Centre Ltd and the Great Barrier Reef Foundation around environmental and water quality issues. The board anticipates participating in several whole-of-catchment projects with the aim of improving water quality.

Funding was received from Reef and Rainforest Research Centre Ltd to help put in four sediment traps along the main drain and rock work to stabilise any drain erosion and maintenance to help improve the waterways.

The rate or charge structure levied by the water authority in 2024–2025 was \$5.80 per hectare.

The objectives within its 2025–2029 Strategic Plan include:

- efficiently drain water from agricultural land
- maintain a viable business plan
- deliver good governance
- maintain a better lifestyle through a stronger economy both locally and regionally.

The water authority measures its achievement of these objectives by:

- undertaking regular drain inspections
- maintaining good governance
- keeping expenditure within budget.

The water authority met these objectives during the reporting period as follows:

- the system continued to function as designed, which in turn assisted with maintaining productivity
- progress was made toward achieving the entity's objectives in the reporting period due to the system adding four new sediment traps and a lot of maintenance assisting the drain to continue to function as designed.

Bones Knob Water Board

Bones Knob Water Board continued to supply water for domestic and stock purposes to its ratepayers across 26 properties within the surrounds of Bones Knob near the township of Tolga, supplying 24.68 megalitres of water, a reduction over last year of 0.08 megalitres. The rate or charge structure levied by the water authority in 2024–2025 was \$144 per megalitre.

The objectives within its Strategic Plan include:

- to supply a secure and potable water system that is reliable, and at a reasonable cost to ratepayers

The water authority met these objectives during the reporting period by:

- maintaining the supply of water for the year with small interruptions due to small faults.
- conducting regular pipeline and pump maintenance as required.

No new projects or work was carried out during the period.

Eugun Bore Water Authority

The terms of appointment of directors to Eugun Bore Water Authority expired on 5 April 2025 as per section 604(1) of the Act.

Eugun Bore Water Authority did not submit any candidates for appointment to the board which is now vacant.

Eugun Bore Water Authority has outstanding annual reports from 2017–2018 and has outstanding financial statements from 2014–2015.

Glamorgan Vale Water Board

Glamorgan Vale Water Board supplied 232 megalitres of water within its 350 megalitre allocation of rural water accessed from the mid-Brisbane River. Under the Resource Operations Plan the allocation of 250 megalitres in the Mid-Brisbane River is classed as High Priority A. The water authority were also approved a seasonal water transfer assignment of 100 megalitres in 2024-2025 from SEQ Water. Rural water is supplied for stock and domestic purposes only and was supplied to 589 properties (7,779 hectares).

Details of actions taken to improve operational efficiency and to overcome any issues of non-compliance:

- engaged a broker to evaluate electricity providers to ensure that the water authority is receiving most cost-efficient power supply at the pump stations
- appointed SafeGroup as the telemetry support provider, as previous supplier could not continue to provide on-site support for telemetry systems
- validation of bulk flow meters at river pump stations by SEQ Water
- installation of 4G modems to replace obsolete and supported telemetry GE radios
- rectification of break-ins and theft related damage, with new steel door installed and replacement of stolen batteries at Wanora Pump Station. The water authority continues to expend funds to reinforce security of critical infrastructure
- commenced capital works on Barretts Road to replace ageing and unreliable pipeline. This project is broken into three stages and is critical to maintain base level reliance of scheme
- extended maintenance contract with local plumbing contractor for three years with an option to extend by 12 months. New maintenance contractor has provided value-for-money to ratepayers and has helped to extend the life of ageing infrastructure in the scheme.

Significant events and undertakings relating to role and function:

Directors continue to review policies to better reflect the Strategic Plan and guide the daily operations of the water authority and staff.

Urban development continues to be a challenge for the water authority. Subdivisions continue to erode the income base as areas previously rateable properties become part of Urban Utilities water service. The water authority board continues to advocate for additional sources of revenue for the scheme or alternative solutions that may support the provision of an essential service to properties, businesses, and industry within the Gazetted area. The water authority has adopted a policy for the non-rating of properties serviced by both Urban Utilities and the water authority. The board unanimously agreed that to continue to rate properties services by Urban Utilities would be unfair and unreasonable.

Floods in March and May 2022 resulted in considerable damage to water authority infrastructure. The significant and prolonged flooding of the Brisbane River during this event caused significant erosion to the banks at the Glamorgan Vale Well.

In 2023 the water authority was successful in attaining a grant from Commonwealth and State Government's Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements (DRFA) Category D 21/22 Severe Weather Events Environmental Recovery Program - Riverine Recovery Program: State 2 On-ground Works. The grant totalled \$103,318 (GST exclusive) and is being used to stabilise the banks at the Glamorgan Vale Well. Further erosion of the bank has resulted in additional work being required to stabilise this area.

The grant has been increased to cover the cost of the removal of the slump over the pump and the investigation cost to determine best practice to protect assets. An additional \$50,849 has been added to the original \$103,318, with a revised total grant of \$154,167. The DRFA have committed to a staged approach with further potential funding available to deliver a best practice intervention. This would be determined following GEO investigative drilling. Results of the investigation have demonstrated that between 4 and 7 metres of the riverbank is unstable. However, continued rain and flooding over the 2025-2025 seasons has delayed works with minor flooding and the contractor not being able to access the area. This work will be completed in July – August 2025 (weather permitting).

The water authority has secured a one-year contract with a local central Brisbane River irrigator for the right to apply for a temporary transfer of 100 megalitres annually. This will alleviate the short-term risk of the water authority exceeding the 250 megalitre allocation. The water authority is actively seeking an increase to the permanent allocation, which was issued in 1983. With periods of lower rainfall and changes within the ratepayer demographic, water usage requirements have resulted in higher demand for rural water. The water authority will continue to monitor usage and plan for uncertainty in rainfall and other weather conditions.

To ensure the continued supply of rural water into the future, the board has increased excess water usage charges to ratepayers. The excess rate per kilolitre is 110 per cent of the base rate which will increase in 2025-2026 from \$2.03 to \$2.16. These changes reflect a commitment by the water authority to issues related to water scarcity. Investigations will also continue into water waste through leakage within the scheme. These investigations will be supported by the board's plumbing and electrical contractors to ensure the scheme runs as efficiently as possible.

The water authority employed the use of an external electricity broker to procure more favourable bulk electricity rates for its infrastructure. The new agreements have resulted in a saving of >\$10,000 annually, which has been applied to maintenance and capital works allowances.

Aging radio-based telemetry systems were upgraded to 4G telecommunication-based modems during the year. This has resulted in a greater reliability for remote monitoring of pump stations and allows the water authority and maintenance contractors to react quickly to issues arising.

Following open tender in 2024 and appointment of new maintenance contractor, a concise maintenance and reporting system has been implemented. This has allowed the water authority to more effectively monitor the condition of the scheme and conduct preventative maintenance. This condition reporting has assisted to identify and prioritise the upgrade of scheme infrastructure, operating within the limited funding that is available.

Impacts from an ageing scheme will continue to present significant cost challenges for the water authority. Where possible the water authority is undertaking critical infrastructure replacement when funds are available. However, the replacement of ageing pipelines that feed the scheme would be significant, and likely be beyond the day-to-day operational and capital expenditure of the scheme. The water authority continues to weigh costs and benefits to the community in an effort to continue rural water provision.

The water authority continues to struggle to secure grant funding or flood recovery funding. Most grants offered by all government levels are not open to a statutory authority. These grants are however often available to local and regional councils and not-for-profit entities. In previous years, the board incurred additional costs to engage external legal counsel for advice relating to its status as a not-for-profit entity. On this advice an application was advanced to be recognised as a not-for-profit entity. This application was refused being a statutory authority. Given the water authority provides an essential service that enhances water security with the region and supports business and industry, some consideration of ways to assist in the continued success of the water authority's operations would be of value to the community.

The water authority undertook the following general asset maintenance:

- review of the existing analogue telemetry system identified a requirement for the replacement of the legacy system. Work has been 80 per cent completed, replacing the legacy analogue telemetry radios with a 4G system. A funding loan from Queensland Treasury Corporation was drawn down. Grants for the introduction of improved technology have been investigated, however, as a statutory authority these avenues of grant funding remain inaccessible.
- Switch boxes at each site were upgraded as necessary before installing the 4G modems to the telemetry system.
- Review of the Wanora scheme resulted in the replacement of the mechanical solenoids in with electrical solenoids. A Queensland Treasury Corporation loan has been approved and drawn down. Work will be completed in 2025-2026.
- Continued breakages and associated costs to repair along the Barretts Road pipeline necessitated investigation. A three-stage strategy was programmed to facilitate the replacement of this line. Stage 1 replacement of Barretts Road pipeline has been completed.

The benefits of the works undertaken:

- Works completed at the Wanora Reservoir, new inlet pipe and control valves have improved control of this reservoir and reduced water loss caused by uncontrolled overfilling.
- Changes to G modems for telemetry communications, this has improved the operational efficiency of the control system. Response time to maintenance issues or emergencies has improved.
- Stage 1 Replacement of Barretts Road pipeline will decrease operational costs as this line was failing, and breaks were common and expensive.

The objectives within the 2025–2029 Strategic Plan include:

- deliver a reliable rural water supply
- maintain sustainable business strategies
- provide appropriately priced water
- provide good governance.

Table 9: Glamorgan Vale Water Board objectives met during the reporting period

Key Result Areas	Performance Indicator / Measure	Objective met
Customer and Community		
Telephone response	within 20 minutes	met
Correspondence response	within one day	met

Key Result Areas	Performance Indicator / Measure	Objective met
Billing satisfaction	1 complaint	met
Response Unplanned interruption	within 8 hours	not met ⁴
Financial Performance		
Managing recurring expenses to annual budget	monthly case disbursements remain below budget	met
Management of capital costs	operating expenses stay below 30 per cent of total expenses	not met ⁵
Operational Expenses	stay below or on budget, 51 per cent of total expenses	on budget at 53 per cent
Manage revenue in accordance with budget	monthly profit throughout financial year	met
Capital milestones compared to leakage	Division 1 and Division 2 target levels below 80L per connection per day.	not met ⁶

Ingie Water Authority

Ingie Water Authority supplied 300 megalitres of water for stock watering and domestic purposes to nine properties within their authority area.

The objectives within its Strategic Plan include:

- deliver a reliable rural water supply
- maintain a sustainable business strategy
- provide appropriately priced water
- provide good governance.

The water authority met these objectives during the reporting period by:

- reducing unplanned maintenance incidents.
- budget for scheme and CPI increases.
- ensuring that pricing mechanisms reflecting value for money.
- keeping net margins at minimum level.

⁴ Considered satisfactory given circumstances.

⁵ Operating expenses were 44 per cent of total expenditure. Capital expenses were 22 per cent of total expenditure, this is a result of aging infrastructure.

⁶ Division 1: 201 litres per connection per day. Division 2: 50 litres per connection per day. Breaks in infrastructure occur and are repaired in a timely manner.

- reducing risks and non-financial risks.

The infrastructure used in the authority's operations performed well without any maintenance or replacements required. There was no significant impact on the authority's existing infrastructure due to any events. The authority's capital works has not changed.

The current infrastructure utilised in the delivery of water to the ratepayers is sufficient to meet the expected requirements of the ratepayers, as such no further capital works is expected in the short to medium term.

Progress was made toward achieving the water authority's objectives in the 2024–2025 reporting period by progressing implementing the Closed Water Activity Agreement. A Closed Water Activity Agreement was provided in 2023-2024 at a substantial cost to the members in legal fees. This agreement was prepared by Lloyds Solicitors in Brisbane on 17 March 2023 but was deemed unsuitable by the department. The Board was advised that the *Water Act 2000* had been amended to allow for a Closed Water Activity Agreement for each bore and that two templates were being prepared to suit the unique needs of the water authority.

The "Wodonga Bore" which was found to be owned by State and administered by the Stock Routes Act and the local government. The four water users now are each signatory to a Stock Route Water Facility Agreement.

The "Ingie Bore" is owned and administered by three water users and they will be the licensees.

The above templates were received by the Board in early June 2025, after a period of two years.

The authority's activities are fully funded by the collection of rates which has been successful with no bad debts since its inception.

Kaywanna Bore Water Board

Kaywanna Bore Water Board continues to maintain the bore head installations and pipes that offer a supplementary water supply for stock and domestic purposes to 35 properties, one school and one recreation club within the authority area, and two public stock water facilities on local stock routes.

Over the last 12 months, one bore line inspection took place every month. Two voluntary working bees were also undertaken.

Leaks and other accidental damage were repaired as it occurred. Operational efficiency is improved with each update of equipment when new technology is incorporated at every opportunity.

Electricity usage has increased due to the greater demand for water; dryer weather conditions result in greater pumping of water.

The objective within its 2025–2029 Strategic Plan is to maintain the design capabilities of the bore.

The water authority met this objective during the reporting period by:

- minimising days being lost to power outages
- advising ratepayers to store three days usage in their tanks in case of short-term supply outages
- apart from less than expected repairs and maintenance costs there were no major unexpected cost variations from the budget.

The water authority measures its achievement of these objectives by an annual review conducted by its directors.

The water authority supplied 83.8 megalitres of water.

The rate structure levied by the water authority in 2024–2025 was \$1.00 per hectare.

Lower Burdekin Water

Lower Burdekin Water owns 255,000 megalitres of medium priority water allocation entitlement, which is diverted from the Burdekin River via its six river pump stations. The water is distributed throughout the authority area via a network of pipelines, water channels and natural lagoons. The water is used to replenish the large coastal aquifer beneath the authority area and to supply water for irrigation crops.

Replenishment of the aquifer is accomplished by pumping water into modified natural waterways, purposed-built channels and artificial recharge pits and allowing the water to percolate into the groundwater system under gravity. Fresh water contained in the aquifer is used by farmers to irrigate crops, residents for stock and domestic purposes and industry. The Burdekin Shire Council also sources water from the aquifer to supply potable water to the townships of Ayr, Brandon, and Home Hill.

Given the close proximity to the Coral Sea, maintaining a freshwater head within the aquifer is crucial to prevent saltwater intrusion and long-term degradation of the groundwater system.

Additional to the aquifer recharge operations, the water authority allowed customers to pump open water directly from its channel systems and lagoons. Open water is taken by customers under either a permit, licence, or water supply agreement and is metered by the water authority. Supply of open water to customers reduced demand on the aquifer and assisted in conserving and managing underground water levels and improving the quantity and quality of water available within the aquifer.

Rainfall at the Home Hill Post Office and Burdekin Shire Councils gauging stations measured 1,620 millimetres and 1,891 millimetres respectively for 2024–2025 which is significantly higher than the median (885 millimetres) and approximately 180 per cent above the mean annual rainfall for the stations. The majority of the rain was received between December 2025 and March 2025. The rain events within the authority area enabled large quantities of water to soak directly into the ground recharging the aquifer. The natural recharge and reduced irrigation demand from the rainfall assisted in elevating groundwater levels.

The Burdekin River catchment received significant rainfall events which caused the Burdekin River to run and the Burdekin Falls Dam to fill and overflow continuously from late January 2025 through to July 2025. The run in the river washed away the temporary sand diversions and caused significant damage to the river pump stations, riverbanks and distributaries of the river. The water levels within the Burdekin River rose to approximately 15 metres with approximately 1,600,000 megalitres per day recorded at the Clare gauging station during the highest recorded flows for the year. The elevated river levels assisted with the replenishment of the aquifer during the reporting period.

Turbidity levels within the Burdekin River remained high during the financial year and affected the water authority's artificial aquifer recharge operations. Artificial recharge activities were reduced and minimised due to the elevated turbidity levels within the Burdekin River.

Irrigation demand within the authority area between July and November 2025 was reasonably normal, however, significant rainfall commenced in December 2024 and persisted until April 2025 reducing irrigation demand. Irrigation demand remained relatively low for the remainder of the financial year. Groundwater levels within the authority area are very high due to the scale and extent of the wet season.

The rate structure charged by the water authority is set as follows:

- Northern Division:
 - \$20.35 per megalitre (volumetric)
 - \$150.46 per hectare (rates)
 - other, other excess \$17.41 per megalitre.
- Southern Division:
 - \$20.35 per megalitre Internal (volumetric)
 - \$87.24 per megalitre External (volumetric)
 - \$150.46 per hectare (rates)
 - other, other excess \$17.41 per megalitre.

Challenges encountered throughout the financial year were:

Flood recovery – the Burdekin Region experienced significant rainfall, local and riverine flooding in the first months of 2025. The excessive rainfall and flooding caused extensive damage to infrastructure, which consumed above normal resources to rectify. Recovery works included pump repairs, debris and sand removal, channel bank reclamation and rock armouring. The majority of the repairs have been completed; however, ongoing recovery work will continue over the coming year. Where possible the water authority partnered with landholders and other stakeholders to complete the damage repairs to minimise the cost of repairs.

The water authority has continued partnering with the Flinders University, Monash University, Charles Darwin University, and the Queensland University of Technology on a research project with the Australian Research Council. The project is a three-year agreement to undertake groundwater research within the Burdekin Delta. The research project covers four main research areas:

1. Influence of seawater intrusion on the Delta groundwater resource and the risk to this resource from sea-level rise and changing rainfall patterns
2. Predicting groundwater response (particularly for that part of the authority area influenced by seawater intrusion) to different irrigation allocation scenarios
3. Influence of the Burdekin River on groundwater recharge and potential impacts to recharge as a result of the modification of existing dams and the construction of new dams in upstream areas
4. Efficacy on water authority infrastructure (recharge pits, delivery channels, sand dams) on groundwater recharge including estimates of the benefitted area of recharge.

Staffing – the water authority experienced a high turnover of staff during the previous financial year, which placed additional pressure on recruitment, training and resources within the organisation. Notwithstanding these challenges, in 2024-2025, the water authority was able to introduce, train and retain new employees to the business and deliver on its major objects for the year.

Burdekin Regional Water Assessment (BRWA) Project – the State and Federal Governments have been working with stakeholders to investigate and analyse water demands and supply options within the Burdekin basin and surrounding regions. The water authority has been actively participating in the working and stakeholder advisory groups for the projects. One of the shortlisted projects arising out of the BRWA process is the potential modernisation of the water authority's systems and infrastructure. The proposed improvements are estimated to save approximately 19,000 megalitres of water per annum in system losses, reduce operational costs, reduce nutrients and sediment loading on the Great Barrier Reef Lagoon, reduce impacts on downstream wetlands and improve health and safety. This project represents a huge opportunity to benefit from the advancements in technology and water delivery techniques, which are

presently fiscally unobtainable for the water authority. The project will also provide opportunities to support further irrigated agriculture or for other productive uses with the estimated water savings to be obtained from the modernisation.

The water authority is party to the Bindal People #2 Native Title determination application to the Federal Court. The authority owns and operates water distribution infrastructure on Queensland Government state lands within the relevant claim.

Granting of Native Title (the connection to the land remains at issue at this stage) will require the water authority to obtain access to continue its operations either by Court or preferably by an Indigenous land use agreement. The water authority will remain involved in the proceedings until either the application is dismissed or granted as the Court sees fit.

The Water Plan (Burdekin Basin) 2007 is due to expire on 31 December 2028. The plan is currently being reviewed, and the water authority is participating in the consultation process.

On 25 May 2018, Queensland Health received results from water samples taken from groundwater bores located in Ayr which supplied part of the town's drinking water. Those results showed levels of polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) contamination above Australian drinking water quality guidelines. The Burdekin Shire Council undertook further testing with the results of that testing being received and has subsequently moved some bore fields. The water authority considers this a watching brief with the responsibility for further investigation work and communications currently resting with DES and QFES.

The water authority undertook several large capital infrastructure projects during the reporting period. These projects were initiated to address a range of issues within its water distribution system which includes reducing workplace health and safety risks, increasing system capacity, improving water control and reducing energy consumption and replacing ageing assets.

Two new vehicles, a new 22 tonne hydraulic excavator and multiple new open water meters were purchased and commissioned during the financial year as part of asset renewals.

The water authority has developed and approved the 2025/26–2029/30 Strategic Plan, the objectives include:

- safe, professional, positive workforce and workplace
- maintain a healthy aquifer and waterways
- provision of reliable and efficient services
- financially sustainable
- engaged and informed stakeholders.

The water authority measures its achievement of these objectives by reviewing and monitoring its strategies and success indicators, consistent with the method outlined in the strategic plan. The water authority met its performance targets for the 2024–2025 financial year as follows:

- safe, professional, positive workforce and workplace – metrics set for WHS system compliance, training and development were consistently achieved. Metrics for hazard and risk management were achieved in the final four months of the reporting period.
- Maintain a healthy aquifer and waterways – metrics set for aquifer recharge, water monitoring, and environmental projects were achieved.
- Provision of reliable and efficient services – metrics set for service delivery (complaints), asset performance (albeit inconsistent) and resource deployment were achieved.
- Financial sustainability – metrics set for key finance ratios, cost containment and asset renewals were consistently achieved.
- Engaged and informed stakeholders – metrics for stakeholder interactions and stakeholder communications were consistently achieved.

The water authority did not meet the success indicator metrics for performance management and aquatic weed management. Further work is required to consistently meet these performance targets.

Performance results for the 2024–2025 financial year were consistent compared with results from previous year. With regards to the water authority's longer-term objectives, the water authority has reviewed their business requirements and amended their strategies and success indicators accordingly to ensure the objectives can be met. These are documented in the 2025-26 to 2029-30 Strategic Plan.

Lower Herbert Water Management Authority

In December 2005, Lower Herbert Water Management Authority was formed by the amalgamation of four existing drainage boards and additional adjacent areas. This allows for coordinated drainage in the Lower Herbert region. The water authority has responsibility for maintenance of a network of open drains and other infrastructure which jointly channel outflows of excess rainfall from agricultural and urban properties within its authority area. Purpose-built wetlands are also maintained which filters and improves water quality flowing to the Great Barrier Reef lagoon and inshore reefs.

The historically significant rainfall and flood event of January / February 2022 caused immeasurable damage to infrastructure and landholders' properties with severe flooding and prolonged rainfall across the Herbert River catchment. The water authority is still coming to terms with the costs of reinstating infrastructure to original

condition. The repair costs will be prohibitive and cannot be fully borne by the water authority.

The water authority continues to struggle with work required at all of the drainage outflow areas across the lower catchment, such as Lagoon Creek, Mandam, Ti-tree, Perry's drain, Loder and Catherine Creek which continue to be very difficult areas to work in and to clear blockages caused by flooding and siltation. Years and years of attempting to do work by hand because the use of machinery has not been permitted.

The harsh environment necessitates a need for machinery to be used instead of handheld machines, boats and individuals who have been risking their safety in an inhospitable environment which is full of crocodiles and other dangers.

Due to the high flooding in early 2025 there will be ongoing assessment of damage and prioritisation of repairs which are absolutely necessary and affordable.

The water authority considers the current funding provided by ratepayers is sufficient to cover the operations and maintenance and the asset provision account holds funds for asset replacement such as pumps etc, however, there are insufficient funds to repair all the damage when a severe natural disaster occurs across such a large area. The rate structure levied by the water authority was \$16.99 per hectare on agricultural land only.

The most significant challenges are:

- Inability to undertake maintenance with machinery through drainage outlets which were purpose-built drains (1960's) established with the use of machinery. They are now dense with mangroves and vines but only able to be trimmed by hand in crocodile infested habitats.
- Severe natural disaster damage with no access since 2012 to natural disaster recovery funding.
- Rising costs of electricity for machinery hire and costs of necessary materials such as rock, gravel, pipes, cement, and labour.

The objectives within their 2024–2025 Strategic Plan include:

- removal of excess water (excluding exception events) from agricultural areas located within the authority area in a timely manner
- identification of projects within the authority area which deliver improved service outcomes
- provision of good governance
- fiscally responsible management
- develop mutually beneficial relationships with stakeholders, the community, industry, and government.

The water authority met these objectives during the reporting period by:

- a reduction in unplanned maintenance
- discussions with other stakeholders to reach consensus and agreement on works
- communication in both directions with all stakeholders
- a reduction in financial and non-financial risks.

The water authority met and exceeded objectives for the 2024–2025 reporting period as follows:

- a Memorandum of Understanding with the Herbert River Improvement Trust delivered benefits from works undertaken together across overlapping areas of interest and a new memorandum is being planned to continue these positive outcomes.
- Management and repairs after severe flood event especially of Mandam infrastructure shows how the water authority delivered positive results even under duress.

Expenditure has been adversely influenced by:

- A lack of repairs and maintenance works in the previous year due to a significantly long wet season and wet ground conditions in the first seven months of 2024.
- Historically high flooding in the Herbert in early 2025 then caused further and significant damage to the water authority assets so there has been a period of catching up with works from 2024 as well as more in 2025.
- Furthermore, the water authority in November 2024 was declined Public Liability insurance coverage. Extensive and intensive work was done by the Chair, Deputy and Secretary to locate a broker who was able to obtain this cover for the water authority as well as Directors and Officers Liability cover. The premium and brokerage cost for this insurance cover in 2025 was almost \$39,000, an increase over the previous Public Liability insurance premium of approximately \$2,500.

Orchard Creek and East Euramo Drainage Board

Orchard Creek and East Euramo Drainage Board continued to provide effective and efficient drainage to agricultural lands in the combined Orchard Creek and East Euramo area of Tully. The water authority conducted one ordinary inspection during the year and the management of declared weeds and erosion control measures were continued.

The objectives within their 2024–2027 Strategic Plan include:

- maintain effective flow of drains adequate to meet the high rainfall experienced in the district

- maintain sustainable strategies
- provide appropriately priced drainage
- provide good governance.

The water authority measures its achievement of these objectives by continual monitoring and maintenance of assets and infrastructure, consistent with the method outlined in the Strategic Plan.

The water authority met these objectives during the reporting period by:

- maintaining the drainage networks
- applying a value for money approach.

The water authority considers the current funding provided by ratepayers is sufficient to cover all anticipated expenses. The cash reserves are deemed sufficient to cover urgent expenditure. The rate structure levied by the water authority was \$10 per hectare.

Roadvale Water Board

Roadvale Water Board continued to provide rural water to over 300 homes and businesses in the Roadvale authority area. The scheme delivers reliable, non-potable water at a reasonable cost which allows customers to improve their property and lifestyle. Strategic capital investment and maintenance help sustain employment and increase investment in the private sector. The water authority has a focus on maintaining healthy waterways and protecting the environment. Ratepayers in the authority area are offered quality customer services and reliable rural water supply.

The water authority continues to monitor the blockage of filters, and the level of chlorine required to ensure a smooth flow. Soft start pump is being used to reduce electricity costs and water hammer.

The repair of multiple main breakages due to extreme weather and repair of water leaks has continued. Repairs, monitoring and upgrades to the system has resulted in record low water loss for the system.

High rainfall over several seasons has resulted in lower income from water rates. This combined with increases in costs for service delivery, repairs and maintenance have caused the increase of water rates for the water authority to remain sustainable into the future.

The water authority undertook the following general asset maintenance:

- Replacement of the main pipeline on Stanfield Rd
- Replacement of the main pipeline on Kulgun Rd
- New main pipeline installed on Sonnenberg Rd

- New main pipeline installed on Ehrich Rd
- Replacement of a main pump at Kents Lagoon pumping station.

The objectives within their 2025–2028 Strategic Plan include:

- Low-cost water supply
- Adequate flow to customers
- Protecting the environment
- Enhanced liveability & health for customers
- Growing our region and supporting small business and jobs
- Building & Manufacturing in Queensland
- Backing our frontline services
- Customers feel a sense of belonging to the scheme

The water authority met these objectives during the reporting period by:

- Reviewing financials at monthly meetings and emergent expenditure moved and seconded
- Conducting a maintenance program that is discussed at monthly meetings
- Increasing fees and charges by a minimal amount to maintain sustainability
- Making improvements to the scheme with a view to minimise disruption
- Providing newsletters provided with each billing period
- Monitoring water loss at each billing period. In 2024-2025 the system took in 83.6 megalitres of water and sold 79.7 megalitres to our customers. This equates to a 2.87 per cent loss. This loss has remained low for several years. Water loss will continue to be monitored in the future.
- Replacing water meters during the reporting period as needed.

South Maroochy Drainage Board

South Maroochy Drainage Board continued to provide maintenance and administration to the existing drainage facilities which services 12 rateable properties and in excess of 1,500 rural residential and urban blocks paid for by the Maroochy Shire Council.

The water authority advises the drainage system needs cleaning and that they hope to be able to undertake the clean in the next 12 months, noting at present, they do not have the funds available to undertake the clean.

The water authority has identified pending rural subdivisions as potentially having a significant impact on their drains.

The objective within their Strategic Plan include drainage within the gazetted area and regular cleaning.

The water authority met this objective during the reporting period by ensuring the drainage system continues to function despite requiring work to be undertaken. The water authority did not meet their objective of conducting maintenance work on the drainage system.

10. Supplementary information

Table 10: Group irrigation authority areas

Scheme	Date established	Number of rural holdings	Irrigable land (Ha)	Water supplied (ML)	Basis of ratings	Loan indebtedness (\$)
Avondale	03/05/1996	7	850	1,659	\$/ML	-
Lower Burdekin	18/02/2015	610	76,028	154,035	\$/ML & \$/ha	\$4,939,080
Total (2)		617	76,878	155,694		\$4,939,080

Table 11: Rural water supply authority areas

Scheme	Date established	Number of holdings			Water delivered (ML)	Basis of ratings	Loan indebtedness (\$)
		Rural	Urban	Total			
Bones Knob	13/03/1982	26	0	26	24.68	\$1.44/ML	\$3,000
Glamorgan Vale	21/09/1967	551	38	589	232	\$/KL	\$219,875
Roadvale	10/03/1966	330	0	330	79.7	\$2.39/ML	-
Total (3)		907	38	945	336.38		\$222,875

Table 12: Bore water supply authority areas

Scheme	Date established	Number of rural holdings	Benefited area (Ha)	Length of pipeline (km)	Loan indebtedness (\$)
Bollon South	19/12/2003	14	203,000	561	-
Bollon West	30/01/2004	12	100,537	700	-
Eugun	02/11/2001	11	57,850	173	-
Fernlee	02/03/2006	11	141,700	342	-
Ingie	30/09/2004	9	47,000	239	-
Kaywana	09/06/1927	35	67,341	240	-
Total (6)		92	617,428	2,255	-

Table 13: Drainage authority areas

Scheme	Date established	Number of rural holdings	Benefited area (Ha)	Length of drains (km)	Loan indebtedness (\$)
Babinda Swamp	16/02/1978	23	2,000	10	-
Lower Herbert	16/12/2005	191	14,500	110	-

Scheme	Date established	Number of rural holdings	Benefited area (Ha)	Length of drains (km)	Loan indebtedness (\$)
Orchard Creek and East Euramo	02/10/2014	20	1,058	16.3	-
South Maroochy	14/07/1977	12	1,065	17	-
Total (4)		249	18,623	153.3	-

11. Membership and contact details

Table 14: Water authority membership and contact details current as of 30 June 2025

Avondale Water Board		
Function	To supply water for irrigation purposes to landholders in the board's area.	
Date constituted:	03/05/1996	
Board composition:	4 directors	
Contact details:	4 Gavin Street PO Box 500 Bundaberg Qld 4670 Telephone: 07 4150 8500	
Directors:	Name Ms Rhonda Marsden Ms Nicole Tanner Mr Selwyn Read Mr Simon Doyle (Chair)	Appointment Date 8 Aug 2023 8 Aug 2023 8 Aug 2023 8 Aug 2023
Contact person:	Ms Nicole Tanner (Secretary) nmtanner@bundysugar.com.au	

Babinda Swamp Drainage Board

Function:	To provide a coordinated drainage system for the removal and disposal of excess water from agricultural lands.	
Date constituted:	16/02/1978	
Board composition:	4 directors	
Contact details:	CANEGROWERS Building 89 Munro Street PO Box 169 Babinda Qld 4861 Telephone: 07 4067 1313 cns@canegrowers.com.au	
Directors:	Name Mrs Celiamaree Zarins Mr Barry Stubbs Mr Maxwell Wilkins (Chair) Ms Jenny Wilkins	Appointment Date 10 Feb 2023 10 Feb 2023 10 Feb 2023 10 Feb 2023
Contact person:	Mrs Sarah Standen (Secretary) sarah_standen@canegrowers.com.au	

Bollon South Water Authority

Function:	To supply water for stock watering and domestic purposes to landholders in the board's area.	
Date constituted:	19/12/2003	
Board composition:	6 directors	
Contact details:	PO Box 94 St George Qld 4487	
Directors:	Name Mr Raymond Bennett Mrs Wendy Winks Ms Lauren Winks Ms Anita Todd Mr Vaughn Houlahan Mr Graham Kenny (Chair)	Appointment date 15 Aug 2024 15 Aug 2024 15 Aug 2024 15 Aug 2024 15 Aug 2024 15 Aug 2024
Contact person:	Mr Leon McCosker (Secretary) Telephone: 0400 993 556 leonmccosker@bodkinonline.com	

Bollon West Water Authority		
Function:	To supply water for stock watering and domestic purposes to landholders in the board's area.	
Date constituted:	30/01/2004	
Board composition:	5 directors	
Contact details:	"Charlton" PO Box 44 Bollon Qld 4488 Telephone: 07 4625 6169	
Acting Directors:	Name Mr William Winks (Chair) Mr Graeme Winks Ms Tessa Clemesha Mrs Rhonda Mobbs Mr Dugald Cameron	Appointment date 10 Sep 2024 10 Sep 2024 10 Sep 2024 10 Sep 2024 10 Sep 2024
Contact person:	Mr William Winks (Chair) Charlton54@bigpond.com	
Bones Knob Water Board		
Function:	To supply water for stock watering and domestic purposes to landholders in the board's area.	
Date constituted:	13/03/1982	
Board composition:	4 directors	
Contact details:	Turner Agencies 9 Main Street PO Box 161 Atherton Qld 4883 Telephone: 07 4091 1922	
Directors:	Name Mr Darryl Wareham (Chair) Mr Neville Gannon Ms Kylie Rankine Ms Tiffany Power	Appointment date 21 Jul 2023 21 Jul 2023 21 Jul 2023 21 Jul 2023
Contact person:	Mr Graeme Turner (Secretary) turner@turneragencies.com	

Eugun Bore Water Authority		
Function:	To conduct water activities decided by the authority.	
Date constituted:	02/11/2001	
Board composition:	4 directors	
Contact details:	PO Box 63 St George Qld 4487	
Directors:	Under section 604(1) of the <i>Water Act 2000</i> the directors' terms of appointment to the Eugun Bore Water Authority expired on 5 April 2025. The board is currently vacant.	
Contact person:	Mr Leon McCosker (Secretary) leonmccosker@bodkinonline.com	
Fernlee Water Authority		
Function:	To supply water for stock watering and domestic purposes to landholders in the board's area.	
Date constituted:	03/03/2006	
Board composition:	5 directors	
Contact details:	PO Box 68 Bollon Qld 4488 Telephone: 07 4625 6281	
Acting Directors:	Name Mr Alan Browning (Chair) Mrs Tiffany Larkin Ms Sharyn Bugden	Appointment date 19 July 2024 19 July 2024 19 July 2024
Contact person:	Mr Alan Browning (Chair) a.ebrowning@bigpond.com	

Glamorgan Vale Water Board		
Function:	To supply water for stock watering and domestic purposes to landholders in the board's area.	
Date constituted:	21/09/1967	
Board composition:	4 directors	
Contact details:	694 Glamorgan Vale Road Glamorgan Vale Qld 4306 Telephone: 07 5426 6800	
Directors:	Name Mr Brett Freese (Chair) Dr Dona-Marie Whiley Mr Geoffrey Beattie Mr Michael Kinder	Appointment date 31 Jul 2023 31 Jul 2023 31 Jul 2023 16 Nov 2022
Contact person:	Mrs Judy Seppanen (Secretary) secretary@gvwb.com.au	
Ingie Water Authority		
Function:	To supply water for stock watering and domestic purposes to landholders in the board's area.	
Date constituted:	30/09/2004	
Board composition:	6 directors	
Contact details:	PO Box 109 Killarney Qld 4373 Telephone: 0447 765 959	
Acting Directors:	Name Mrs Marilyn Hill Mr Benjamin Hill Mr Andrew Ferguson Mr Garth Ferguson (Chair) Mrs Susan Ferguson Mrs Elizabeth Ferguson	Appointment date 5 Aug 2024 5 Aug 2024 5 Aug 2024 5 Aug 2024 5 Aug 2024 5 Aug 2024
Contact person:	Mr Garth Ferguson (Chair) garthferguson2021@gmail.com	

Kaywanna Bore Water Board		
Function:	To supply water for stock watering and domestic purposes to landholders in the board's area.	
Date constituted:	09/06/1927	
Board composition:	6 directors	
Contact details:	24 McLean St PO Box 468 Goondiwindi Qld 4390 Telephone: 07 4670 0800	
Directors:	Name Mr John Allen Mr William Davison Ms Sasha Crawley Ms Kayla Schwager Ms Alice Woods Mr George Clark	Appointment date 2 Nov 2024 2 Nov 2024 2 Nov 2024 2 Nov 2024 2 Nov 2024 2 Nov 2024
Contact person:	Mr Dale Whittaker (Secretary) Dale.whittaker@findex.com.au	

Lower Burdekin Water

Function:	To use water from the Burdekin River to replenish the subterranean water supplies from Burdekin Delta and to increase the quantity and improve quality of the supply available from this source for irrigation, domestic, stock, and industrial purposes.	
Date constituted:	18/02/2015	
Board composition:	8 directors	
Contact details:	112 Airdmillan Rd PO Box 720 Ayr Qld 4807 Telephone: 07 4783 1988 admin@lowerburdekinwater.com.au	
Directors:	Name Mrs Neomi Butler Mr Eric Barbagallo Ms Glenis Jones Mr Francisco Mugica Ms Helen Stanton Cr Amanda Hall Mr Richard Papale	Appointment date 5 Jul 2022 10 Nov 2022 10 Nov 2022 29 Nov 2023 26 Mar 2024 15 Jan 2025 15 Jan 2025
Contact person:	Mr David Sartori (Executive Officer) david.sartori@lowerburdekinwater.com.au www.lowerburdekinwater.com.au	

Lower Herbert Water Management Authority		
Function:	To provide a coordinated drainage system for the removal and disposal of excess water from agricultural lands.	
Date constituted:	16/12/2005	
Board composition:	8 directors	
Contact details:	11-13 Lannercost Street PO Box 410 Ingham Qld 4850 Telephone: 07 4776 5350	
Directors:	Name Mr Cameron Barber (Chair) Mr Rodney Robino Ms Jennifer Lynn Ms Dorothy Bosworth Mr Barry Bosworth Mr Jonathan Biasi Cr Patrick Lynch	Appointment date 9 Aug 2023 9 Aug 2023 9 Aug 2023 9 Aug 2023 9 Aug 2023 9 Aug 2023 30 Sep 2024
Contact person:	Mrs Maria Battoraro (Secretary) maria_battoraro@canegrowers.com.au	

Orchard Creek and East Euramo Drainage Board		
Function:	To provide a coordinated drainage system for the removal and disposal of excess water from agricultural lands.	
Date constituted:	2/10/2014	
Board composition:	6 directors	
Contact details:	59 Butler Street PO Box 514 Tully Qld 4854 Telephone: 07 4068 4900	
Directors:	Name Mr Denis Marsilio Mr Peter Maifredi (Chair) Mr Don Cavallaro Ms Sonia Cavallaro Ms Maria Silvestro Ms Lilly Chaisiri	Appointment date 8 Aug 2023 8 Aug 2023 8 Aug 2023 8 Aug 2023 8 Aug 2023 8 Aug 2023
Contact person:	Mr Barry Dun (Secretary) barry_dun@canegrowers.com.au	
Roadvale Water Board		
Function:	To supply water for stock watering and domestic purposes to landholders in the board’s area.	
Date constituted:	10/03/1966	
Board composition:	4 directors	
Contact details:	78 Geoge Street PO Box 58 Kalbar Qld 4309 Telephone: 0408 671 063	
Directors:	Name Mr Ross Lehmann (Chair) Ms Roseanne Griffiths Mr Gary Wenzel Ms Rebecca Wallbank	Appointment date 8 Aug 2023 8 Aug 2023 8 Aug 2023 8 Aug 2023
Contact person:	Mrs Melinda Gotke (Secretary) admin@roadvalewater.com.au	

South Maroochy Drainage Board		
Function:	To provide a coordinated drainage system for the removal and disposal of excess water from agricultural lands.	
Date constituted:	14/07/1977	
Board composition:	4 directors	
Contact details:	PO Box 92 Bli Bli Qld 4560 Telephone: 07 5443 5666	
Directors:	Name Mr Christopher Baker Ms Michelle Price Mr Robert Price (Chair) Ms Brenda Baker	Appointment date 22 Sep 2023 22 Sep 2023 22 Sep 2023 22 Sep 2023
Contact person:	Mr Chris Baker (Secretary) ckb@bakerslawyers.com	

12. Glossary

FAA Financial Accountability Act 2009

FPMS Financial and Performance Management Standard 2019

ARRs Annual report requirements for Queensland Government agencies

FPMS Financial and Performance Management Standard 2019

Appendix A Details of remuneration for boards

Avondale Water Board					
Act or instrument	Water Act 2000				
Functions	Pumping and distributing water from the Kolan River to 850 hectares of irrigable land owned by seven customers in the Avondale area.				
Achievements	Achievements are outlined in Section 9.				
Financial reporting	Not exempted from audit by the Auditor-General. Transactions of the entity are accounted for in the financial statements, which are audited by distance audit procedures.				
Remuneration					
Position	Name	Meetings/ sessions attendance	Approved annual, sessional, or daily fee	Approved sub- committee fees if applicable	Actual fees received
Chair	Simon Doyle	1	\$390 \$195		NIL
Director	Rhonda Marsden	1	\$300 \$150		NIL
Director	Selwyn Read	1	\$300 \$150		NIL
Director	Nicole Tanner	1	\$300 \$150		NIL
No. scheduled meetings/sessions	1				
Total out of pocket expenses	NIL				

Babinda Swamp Drainage Board					
Act or instrument	Water Act 2000				
Functions	Carry out water activities such as water supply for stock and domestic purposes, irrigation and peri-urban rural land uses, and provision of coordinated drainage systems.				
Achievements	Achievements are outlined in Section 9.				
Financial reporting	Not exempted from audit by the Auditor-General. Transactions of the entity are accounted for in the financial statements.				
Remuneration					
Position	Name	Meetings/ sessions attendance	Approved annual, sessional, or daily fee	Approved sub- committee fees if applicable	Actual fees received
Chair	Maxwell Wilkins	2	\$390 \$195		NIL
Director	Jenny Wilkins	2	\$300 \$150		NIL
Director	Celiamaree Zarins	2	\$300 \$150		NIL
Director	Barry Stubbs	2	\$300 \$150		NIL
No. scheduled meetings/sessions	2				
Total out of pocket expenses	NIL				

Bollon South Water Authority					
Act or instrument	Water Act 2000				
Functions	Carry out water activities decided by each authority such as water supply for stock and domestic purposes, irrigation and peri-urban rural land uses, and provision of coordinated drainage systems.				
Achievements ⁷					
Financial reporting	Not exempted from audit by the Auditor-General. Transactions of the entity are accounted for in the financial statements.				
Remuneration					
Position	Name	Meetings/ sessions attendance	Approved annual, sessional, or daily fee	Approved sub- committee fees if applicable	Actual fees received
Chair	Graham Kenny		\$390 \$195		
Director	Wendy Winks		\$300 \$150		
Director	Lauren Winks		\$300 \$150		
Director	Anita Todd		\$300 \$150		
Director	Vaughn Houlahan		\$300 \$150		
Director	Raymond Bennett		\$300 \$150		
No. scheduled meetings/sessions					
Total out of pocket expenses					

⁷ Details not updated/available at the time of printing, as the water authority had not submitted its 2024-2025 annual report.

Bollon West Water Authority					
Act or instrument	Water Act 2000				
Functions	Supplying piped water for grazing purposes to associated properties aiding in viable property production.				
Achievements ⁸					
Financial reporting	Not exempted from audit by the Auditor-General. Transactions of the entity are accounted for in the financial statements.				
Remuneration					
Position	Name	Meetings/ sessions attendance	Approved annual, sessional, or daily fee	Approved sub- committee fees if applicable	Actual fees received
Acting Chair	William Winks		\$390 \$195		
Acting Director	Graeme Winks		\$300 \$150		
Acting Director	Dugald Cameron		\$300 \$150		
Acting Director	Rhonda Mobbs		\$300 \$150		
Acting Director	Tessa Clemesha		\$300 \$150		
No. scheduled meetings/sessions					
Total out of pocket expenses					

⁸ Details not updated/available at the time of printing, as the water authority had not submitted its 2024-2025 annual report.

Bones Knob Water Board

Act or instrument	Water Act 2000				
Functions	Carry out water activities such as water supply for stock and domestic purposes, irrigation and peri-urban rural land uses, and provision of coordinated drainage systems.				
Achievements	Achievements are outlined in Section 9.				
Financial reporting	Not exempted from audit by the Auditor-General. Transactions of the entity are accounted for in the financial statements.				
Remuneration					
Position	Name	Meetings/ sessions attendance	Approved annual, sessional, or daily fee	Approved sub- committee fees if applicable	Actual fees received
Chair	Darryl Wareham	1	\$390 \$195		NIL
Director	Neville Gannon	1	\$300 \$150		NIL
Director	Kylie Rankine	1	\$300 \$150		NIL
Director	Tiffany Power	1	\$300 \$150		NIL
No. scheduled meetings/sessions	1				
Total out of pocket expenses	NIL				

Eugun Bore Water Authority					
Act or instrument	Water Act 2000				
Functions	Carry out water activities such as water supply for stock and domestic purposes, irrigation and peri-urban rural land uses, and provision of coordinated drainage systems.				
Achievements ⁹					
Financial reporting	Not exempted from audit by the Auditor-General. Transactions of the entity are accounted for in the financial statements.				
Remuneration					
Position	Name	Meetings/ sessions attendance	Approved annual, sessional, or daily fee	Approved sub- committee fees if applicable	Actual fees received
VACANT					
VACANT					
VACANT					
VACANT					
No. scheduled meetings/sessions					
Total out of pocket expenses					

⁹ Under section 604(1) of the Act the directors' terms of appointment to the Eugun Bore Water Authority expired on 5 April 2025. Eugun Bore Water Authority has a vacant board and has not submitted an annual report.

Fernlee Water Authority					
Act or instrument	Water Act 2000				
Functions	Carry out water activities such as water supply for stock and domestic purposes, irrigation and peri-urban rural land uses, and provision of coordinated drainage systems.				
Achievements ¹⁰	Achievements are outlined in Section 9.				
Financial reporting	Not exempted from audit by the Auditor-General. Transactions of the entity are accounted for in the financial statements.				
Remuneration					
Position	Name	Meetings/ sessions attendance	Approved annual, sessional, or daily fee	Approved sub- committee fees if applicable	Actual fees received
Acting Chair	Alan Browning		\$390 \$195		
Acting Director	Tiffany Larkin		\$300 \$150		
Acting Director	Sharyn Bugden		\$300 \$150		
Director	Vacant				
Director	Vacant				
No. scheduled meetings/sessions					
Total out of pocket expenses	NIL				

¹⁰ Details not updated/available at the time of printing, as the water authority had not submitted its 2024–2025 annual report.

Glamorgan Vale Water Board					
Act or instrument	Water Act 2000				
Functions	To supply water for stock watering and domestic purposes to landholders within and outside the board’s gazettal area.				
Achievements	Achievements are outlined in Section 9.				
Financial reporting	Not exempted from audit by the Auditor-General. Transactions of the entity are accounted for in the financial statements.				
Remuneration					
Position	Name	Meetings/ sessions attendance (over 4 hours / under 4 hours)	Approved annual, sessional, or daily fee	Approved sub- committee fees if applicable	Actual fees received
Chair	Brett Freese	9	\$390		\$3,510
		7	\$195		\$1,365
Director	Geoffrey Beattie	9	\$300		\$2,700
		7	\$150		\$1,050
Director	Dona-Marie Whiley	9	\$300		\$2,700
		8	\$150		\$1,200
Director	Michael Kinder	9	\$300		\$2,700
		7	\$150		\$1,050
No. scheduled meetings/sessions	12				
Total out of pocket expenses	NIL				

Ingie Water Board					
Act or instrument	Water Act 2000				
Functions	To supply water for stock watering and domestic purposes to landholders in the board’s authority area.				
Achievements	Achievements are outlined in Section 9.				
Financial reporting	Not exempted from audit by the Auditor-General. Transactions of the entity are accounted for in the financial statements.				
Remuneration					
Position	Name	Meetings/ sessions attendance	Approved annual, sessional, or daily fee	Approved sub- committee fees if applicable	Actual fees received
Acting Chair	Garth Ferguson	-	\$390 \$195		NIL
Acting Director	Elizabeth Ferguson	-	\$300 \$150		NIL
Acting Director	Susan Ferguson	-	\$300 \$150		NIL
Acting Director	Andrew Ferguson	-	\$300 \$150		NIL
Acting Director	Merilyn Hill	-	\$300 \$150		NIL
Acting Director	Benjamin Hill	-	\$300 \$150		NIL
No. scheduled meetings/sessions	NIL				
Total out of pocket expenses	NIL				

Kaywanna Bore Water Board					
Act or instrument	Water Act 2000				
Functions	To supply water for stock watering and domestic purposes to landholders in the board’s authority area.				
Achievements	Achievements are outlined in Section 9.				
Financial reporting	Not exempted from audit by the Auditor-General. Transactions of the entity are accounted for in the financial statements.				
Remuneration					
Position	Name	Meetings/ sessions attendance	Approved annual, sessional, or daily fee	Approved sub- committee fees if applicable	Actual fees received
Chair	William Davison		\$390 \$195		NIL
Director	John Allen		\$300 \$150		NIL
Director	Sasha Crawley		\$300 \$150		NIL
Director	Alice Woods		\$300 \$150		NIL
Director	George Clark		\$300 \$150		NIL
Director	Kayla Schwager		\$300 \$150		NIL
No. scheduled meetings/sessions					
Total out of pocket expenses	NIL				

Lower Burdekin Water					
Act or instrument	Water Act 2000				
Functions	To carry out water activities at its discretion designed to manage and maintain the Burdekin aquifer and the water supply needs of the Lower Burdekin Water authority area.				
Achievements	Achievements are outlined in Section 9.				
Financial reporting	Not exempted from audit by the Auditor-General. Transactions of the entity are accounted for in the financial statements.				
Remuneration					
Position	Name	Meetings/ sessions attendance (over 4 hours / under 4 hours)	Approved annual, sessional, or daily fee	Approved sub- committee fees if applicable	Actual fees received
Chair	Helen Stanton	10 77	\$520 \$260		\$25,220
Director Deputy Chair (July 24 – Dec 24)	Ian Davies Wilmar Representative	2 4	\$400 \$200		\$1,600
Director Deputy Chair (Jan 25 – Jun 25)	Eric Barbagello	8 11	\$400 \$200		\$5,400
Director	Glenis Jones	9 12	\$400 \$200		\$6,000
Director	Francesco Mugica	5 10	\$400 \$200		\$4,000
Director	Richard Papale	3 7	\$400 \$200		\$2,600
Director	Neomi Butler Wilmar Representative	4 14	\$400 \$200		\$4,400
Director	Cr Amanda Hall Burdekin Shire Council Representative	0 7	\$400 \$200		\$0
No. scheduled meetings/sessions	Board 10 Board Committee 17 Special meetings / inspections 62 Total - 89				

Lower Burdekin Water

Total out of pocket expenses	\$8,623.25
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Lower Herbert Water Management Authority

Act or instrument	Water Act 2000				
Functions	Provide a drainage service within gazetтал boundary area, through the operation and maintenance of existing drainage infrastructure and to implement improvements where appropriate.				
Achievements	Achievements are outlined in Section 9.				
Financial reporting	Not exempted from audit by the Auditor-General. Transactions of the entity are accounted for in the financial statements.				
Remuneration					
Position	Name	Meetings/ sessions attendance (over 4 hours / under 4 hours)	Approved annual, sessional, or daily fee	Approved sub- committee fees if applicable	Actual fees received
Chair	Charles Girgenti	5	\$390 \$195		\$975
Deputy Chair	Cameron Barber	5	NA		NIL
Director	Jonathan Biasi	4	\$300 \$150		\$600
Director	Jennifer Lynn	5	\$300 \$150		\$750
Director	Dorothy Bosworth	4	\$300 \$150		\$600
Director	Rodney Robino	5	\$300 \$150		\$750
Director	Barry Bosworth	5	\$300 \$150		\$750
Director - Hinchinbrook Shire Council representative	Cr Patrick Lynch	3	NA		NIL
No. scheduled meetings/sessions	6				
Total out of pocket expenses	\$480				

Orchard Creek and East Euramo Drainage Board

Act or instrument	Water Act 2000				
Functions	Carry out water activities such as water supply for stock and domestic purposes, irrigation and peri-urban rural land uses, and provision of coordinated drainage systems.				
Achievements	Achievements are outlined in Section 9.				
Financial reporting	Not exempted from audit by the Auditor-General. Transactions of the entity are accounted for in the financial statements.				
Remuneration					
Position	Name	Meetings/ sessions attendance	Approved annual, sessional, or daily fee	Approved sub- committee fees if applicable	Actual fees received
Chair	Peter Maifredi	1	\$390 \$195		NIL
Director	Denis Marsilio	1	\$300 \$150		NIL
Director	Don Cavallaro		\$300 \$150		NIL
Director	Sonia Cavallaro		\$300 \$150		NIL
Director	Maria Silvestro	1	\$300 \$150		NIL
Director	Lily Chaisiri	1	\$300 \$150		NIL
No. scheduled meetings/sessions	1				
Total out of pocket expenses	NIL				

Roadvale Water Board					
Act or instrument	Water Act 2000				
Functions	To supply water for stock watering and domestic non-potable purposes to landholders in the authority area.				
Achievements	Achievements are outlined in Section 9.				
Financial reporting	Not exempted from audit by the Auditor-General. Transactions of the entity are accounted for in the financial statements.				
Remuneration ¹					
Position	Name	Meetings/ sessions attendance	Approved annual, sessional, or daily fee	Approved sub- committee fees if applicable	Actual fees received
Chair	Ross Lehmann	10	\$390 \$195		\$1,950
Director (Deputy Chair)	Gary Wenzel	11	\$300 \$150		\$1,695
Director	Rebecca Wallbank	9	\$300 \$150		\$1,350
Director	Roseanne Griffiths	11	\$300 \$150		\$1,650
No. scheduled meetings/sessions	11				
Total out of pocket expenses	\$6,645				

South Maroochy Drainage Board					
Act or instrument	Water Act 2000				
Functions	Carry out water activities such as water supply for stock and domestic purposes, irrigation and peri-urban rural land uses, and provision of coordinated drainage systems.				
Achievements	Achievements are outlined in Section 9.				
Financial reporting	Not exempted from audit by the Auditor-General. Transactions of the entity are accounted for in the financial statements.				
Remuneration					
Position	Name	Meetings/ sessions attendance	Approved annual, sessional, or daily fee	Approved sub- committee fees if applicable	Actual fees received
Chair	Robert Price	1	\$390 \$195		NIL
Director	Brenda Baker	1	\$300 \$150		NIL
Director	Christopher Baker	1	\$300 \$150		NIL
Director	Maxwell Perren	1	\$300 \$150		NIL
No. scheduled meetings/sessions	1				
Total out of pocket expenses	NIL				

Appendix B 2024–2025 audited financial statements

The Queensland Audit Office has audited the financial statements of one water authority at the time of printing.

- Audited financial statements: Bollon West Water Authority

BOLLON WEST WATER AUTHORITY

OPERATING FUND

STATEMENT OF RECIEPTS AND PAYMENTS FOR YEAR ENDING 30 JUNE 2025

Balance at Commencement of year:	2024-2025	2023-2024
Cash in bank	\$1376.84	\$597.85
Investments (term deposit acc)	\$0.00	\$0.00
Receipts for the year were:		
Rates and Charges	\$10600.00	\$5114.99
Interest on investments	\$0.00	\$0.00
GST Input Credits received	\$877.00	\$1353.00
Payments for the year were:		
Administration Expenses	\$10245.37	\$5689.00
Redemption	\$0.00	\$0.00
GST on purchases	\$0.00	\$0.00
Leaving year-end balance comprising:		
Cash in bank	\$2608.47	\$1376.84

BOLLON WEST WATER AUTHORITY

NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Note (1) STATEMENT OF OBJECTIVES AND PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES

The main function of the Bollon West Water Authority is to carry out the water activities decided by the water authority being rural bore water supply.

Note (2) STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Note (2)(a) Basis of accounting

The statements are regarded as special purpose financial statements.

Under the provisions of section 59 of the Financial Accountability Act 2009 (the Act), the Treasurer has previously exempted this entity from compliance with select provisions of the Financial and Performance Management Standard 2019 (the Standard), including the requirements of Section 43(1) of the Standard, which requires the entity to prepare its annual financial statements for each financial year having regard to the minimum reporting requirements as detailed in the Financial Reporting Requirements for Queensland Government Agencies, published by Queensland Treasury.

This exemption is no longer available for the 2025 reporting year under the Financial and Performance Management Standard 2019 (FPMS). Although required to report in accordance with the FPMS, the reduced scope of administrative and financial resources available to The Bollon West Water Authority has resulted in the Board being unable to and opting not to comply with this reporting standard. The Bollon West Water Authority has therefore elected to submit cash based financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2025.

These financial statements have not been prepared in accordance with prescribed accounting standards as it is assessed that there is a limited number of intended users of the financial statements and the format is appropriate to meet the information needs of these users. The intended users of these financial statements are limited to:

- Members of the Queensland Parliament
- The Minister and Department of Local Government, Water and Volunteers
- Treasurer and the Treasury Department
- Members of the Water Authority and related local community members

The financial statements have been prepared on a cash basis, consistent with the previous financial year, but inconsistent with the requirements for the 2024-2025 year.

Note 2 (b) Non-current assets

To achieve the Board's objective of providing a coordinated water supply system within the boards area, the board also manages 700 kms of underground pipeline which are predominately on private land. In addition, the board manages five bores and five cooling ponds to supply the 700 kms of pipeline. As these have no value or use to anyone except the rate payers the board does not consider them an asset.

In relation to any impairment of the water authority's non-current assets from natural disaster events, and for which funding NDRRA has been approved, the water authority reports that this is not applicable to the water authority.

Note (2)(c) Rates and changes Outstanding

There are no outstanding rates and charges at year end (2025: \$nil) No bad debts were written off during the year end (2025: \$nil)

Note (2)(d) Sundry Creditors

There are no sundry creditors at year end (2025: \$nil)

Note (2)(e) Loan Indebtedness

The authority's loan indebtedness at 30 June 2025 was \$0.00

Note (2)(f) Contingent Assets/Liabilities

There were no known contingent assets or liabilities of a significant nature at the 30 June 2025

Note (2)(h) Intended change in institutional arrangements

Many water authorities are currently deliberating over or undergoing the transfer of their functions to alternative structures. Such a transition would significantly impact the operation of a water authority, in that it would no longer be able to continue as a going concern on transition to the relevant institution structure. As a result, the water authority would not necessarily be able to realise its assets and extinguish its liabilities at the amounts disclosed in the financial reports.

In this regard, however The Bollon West Water Authority intends to remain in its current form as a statutory body and will be dissolving in 2026.

Note (3) Administration Expenses	2024-2025	2023-2024
Insurance	\$3145.00	\$2995.00
Bank charges	\$12.70	\$54.00
Audit Fees	\$1980.00	\$2640.00
Licences	\$92.01	\$0.00
Solicitor's fees	\$5015.66	\$0.00
Total	\$10245.37	\$5689.00

Certificate of the Bolton West Water Authority

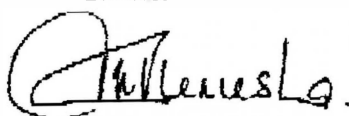
I have prepared the foregoing annual financial statements pursuant to section 62(1) of the Financial Accountability Act 2009 (the Act), relevant sections of the Financial Performance and Management Standard 2019, and other prescribed requirements. In accordance with section 62 (1)(b) of the Act, we certify that in our opinion:

1. The prescribed requirements in respect of the establishment and keeping of accounts have been complied with in all material respects;
2. The special purpose financial statements have been drawn up so as to present a true and fair view of the transactions of the water authority for the period 1 July 2024 to 30 June 2025, and of the financial position as at 30 June 2025 in accordance with the basic of accounting as detailed in Note 2 (a) to the financial statements; and
3. We acknowledge responsibility under s.7 and s.11 of the Financial and Performance Management Standard 2019 for the establishment and maintenance, in all material respect to financial reporting throughout the reporting period.

13/07/2025

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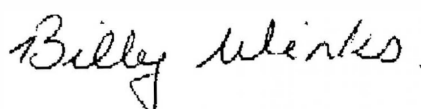
Director



13/07/2025

Bill Winks

Chairperson



INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Bollon West Water Authority

Report on the audit of the financial report

Disclaimer of opinion

Section 30(1) (b) of the *Auditor-General Act 2009* requires me to audit the accompanying financial report of Bollon West Water Authority.

I do not form an opinion on the accompanying financial report. Because of the significance of the matters described in the *Basis for Disclaimer of Opinion* section of my report, I have been unable to obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence to provide a basis for an audit opinion on this financial report.

The financial report comprises the Operating Fund Statement of Receipts and Payments for the year ended 30 June 2025, notes to the financial statements including material accounting policy information and the management certificate.

Basis for disclaimer of opinion

As explained in Note 2(a), Bollon West Water Authority has not complied with the requirements of s.39 (2) of the Financial and Performance Management Standard 2019 nor had regard to the minimum reporting requirements published by Queensland Treasury. Consequently, the Board has not prepared general purpose financial statements in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards – Simplified Disclosures.

In addition, sufficient appropriate evidence has not been presented by Bollon West Water Authority to provide a basis for an audit opinion and to support:

- The existence of non-current assets and whether all non-current assets controlled by the Board have been recognised and correctly brought to account in the financial statements, in accordance with the requirements of AASB 116 *Property, Plant and Equipment*.
- That non-current assets have been appropriately measured in accordance with the requirements of AASB 116 *Property, Plant and Equipment*. Further, that the absence of an asset revaluation surplus, accumulated depreciation balance as at 30 June 2025, depreciation expense, revaluation increments/decrements in the financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2025, are appropriate and in accordance with the requirements of AASB 116 *Property, Plant and Equipment*.

As a consequence of these matters, I am unable to determine whether any adjustments might have been required in respect to recorded or unrecorded non-current asset balances, and associated elements in the statement of comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows.

Responsibilities of the Board for the financial report

The Board is responsible for the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view in accordance with the *Financial Accountability Act 2009*, the Financial and Performance Management Standard 2019 and Australian Accounting Standards – Simplified Disclosures, and for such internal control as the Board determines is necessary to enable the preparation of the financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

The Board is also responsible for assessing the entity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters relating to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless it is intended to abolish the entity or to otherwise cease operations.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial report

My responsibility is to conduct an audit of the financial report in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards, and to issue an auditor's report. However, because of the matters described in the *Basis for Disclaimer of Opinion* section of my report, I was not able to obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence to provide a basis for an audit opinion on the financial report.

I am independent of the entity in accordance with the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including independence standards)* (the Code) that are relevant to my audit of the financial report in Australia. I have also fulfilled my other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code and the *Auditor-General Auditing Standards*.

Report on other legal and regulatory requirements

Statement

In accordance with s.40 of the *Auditor-General Act 2009*, for the year ended 30 June 2025:

- a) I received all the information and explanations I required.
- b) as described in the *Basis for disclaimer of opinion* section of my report, Bollon West Water Authority did not comply with the prescribed requirements in relation to the establishment and keeping of accounts in all material respects.

Prescribed requirements scope

The prescribed requirements for the establishment and keeping of accounts are contained in the *Financial Accountability Act 2009*, any other Act and the Financial and Performance Management Standard 2019. The applicable requirements include those for keeping financial records that correctly record and explain the entity's transactions and account balances to enable the preparation of a true and fair financial report.



Lisa Fraser
as delegate of the Auditor-General

18 July 2025

Queensland Audit Office
Brisbane

Appendix C 2023-2024 audited financial statements

The Queensland Audit Office has audited the financial statements of ten water authorities in 2024–2025.

- Audited financial statements: Avondale Water Board
- Audited financial statements: Bollon South Water Authority
- Audited financial statements: Bones Knob Water Board
- Audited financial statements: Fernlee Water Authority
- Audited financial statements: Glamorgan Vale Water Board
- Audited financial statements: Kaywanna Bore Water Board
- Audited financial statements: Lower Burdekin Water
- Audited financial statements: Lower Herbert Water Management Authority
- Audited financial statements: Orchard Creek and East Euramo Drainage Board
- Audited financial statements: South Maroochy Drainage Board

Avondale Water Board
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For the Year Ended 30 June 2024

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Avondale Water Board
Statement of Comprehensive Income
For the Year Ended 30 June 2024

OPERATING RESULT	Notes	2024	2023
Income from Continuing Operations			
User charges and fees	2	\$ 231,182	\$ 177,194
Other Revenue	3	\$ 36,357	\$ 20,864
Total Income from Continuing Operations		\$ 267,538	\$ 198,058
Expenses from Continuing Operations			
Administration Expenses	4	\$ 24,688	\$ 16,465
Supplies and Services	5	\$ 242,905	\$ 195,495
Depreciation	11	\$ 14,970	\$ 14,903
Other Expenses	8		\$ 8,175
Total Expenses from Continuing Operations		\$ 282,563	\$ 235,039
Operating Result from Continuing Operations		\$ (15,025)	\$ (36,981)
Operating Result for the Year		\$ (15,025)	\$ (36,981)
Total Other Comprehensive Income			
Total Comprehensive Income		\$ (15,025)	\$ (36,981)

The accompanying notes form part of these statements.

Avondale Water Board
Statement of Changes in Equity
For the Year Ended 30 June 2024

	Accumulated Surplus/Deficit	Asset Revaluation Surplus (Note 15)	TOTAL
Balance as at 1 July 2022	\$ 834,889	\$ -	\$ 834,889
Operating Result			
<i>Operating result from continuing operations</i>	\$ (36,981)		\$ (36,981)
Other Comprehensive Income			
Increase/(Decrease) in Asset revaluation surplus			
Total Comprehensive Income	\$ (36,981)	\$ -	\$ (36,981)
Balance as at 30 June 2023	\$ 797,909	\$ -	\$ 797,908
Balance as at 1 July 2023	\$ 797,909	\$ -	\$ 797,908
Operating Result			
<i>Operating result from continuing operations</i>	\$ (15,025)		\$ (15,025)
Other Comprehensive Income			
Increase/(Decrease) in Asset revaluation surplus			
Total Comprehensive Income	\$ (15,025)	\$ -	\$ (15,025)
Balance as at 30 June 2024	\$ 782,884	\$ -	\$ 782,884

The accompanying notes form part of these statements.

Avondale Water Board
BALANCE SHEET
For the Year Ended 30 June 2024

	Notes	2024	2023
Current Assets			
Cash and Cash Equivalents	9	\$ 43,636	\$ 4,245
Receivables	10	\$ 90,046	\$ 141,916
Prepayments		\$ 12,555	
Total Current Assets		\$ 146,237	\$ 146,161
Non Current Assets			
Property, plant and equipment	11	\$ 238,552	\$ 232,025
Intangible assets	12	\$ 450,000	\$ 450,000
Total Non Current Assets		\$ 688,552	\$ 682,025
Total Assets		\$ 834,789	\$ 828,186
Current Liabilities			
Payables	13	\$ 51,905	\$ 30,277
Total Current Liabilities		\$ 51,905	\$ 30,277
Total Liabilities		\$ (51,905)	\$ (30,277)
Net Assets (Liabilities)		\$ 782,884	\$ 797,909
Equity			
Accumulated Surplus			
Asset revaluation surplus	15	\$ 782,884	\$ 797,909
Total Equity		\$ 782,884	\$ 797,909

The accompanying notes form part of these statements.

Avondale Water Board
Statement of Cash Flows
For the Year Ended 30 June 2024

	Note	2024	2023
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
<i>Inflows:</i>			
Grants and other contributions			
User charges and fees		\$ 318,548	\$ 126,679
Interest Received			
GST input tax credits from ATO		\$ 29,102	\$ 13,884
GST collected from customers			
<i>Outflows:</i>			
Interest Paid			
Administrative expenses		\$ (25,546)	\$ (3,580)
Supplies and Services		\$ (226,380)	\$ (189,452)
GST paid to suppliers		\$ (34,837)	\$ (16,314)
GST remitted to ATO			
Net cash provided by / (used in) operating activities		<u>\$ 60,887</u>	<u>\$ (68,783)</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
<i>Inflows:</i>			
Sales of property, plant and equipment			
<i>Outflows:</i>			
Payments for property, plant and equipment		\$ (21,497)	\$ (13,274)
Net cash provided by / (used in) investing activities		<u>\$ (21,497)</u>	<u>\$ (13,274)</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES			
<i>Inflows:</i>			
Proceeds from borrowings			
<i>Outflows:</i>			
Loan repayments made			
Net cash provided by / (used in) financing activities		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		<u>\$ 39,391</u>	<u>\$ (82,057)</u>
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of financial year	9	<u>\$ 4,245</u>	<u>\$ 86,302</u>
Cash and Cash equivalents at end of financial year	9	<u>\$ 43,636</u>	<u>\$ 4,245</u>

The accompanying notes form part of these statements.

Avondale Water Board
Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended 30 June 2024

Note 1 – Basis of Financial Statement Preparation

(a) General Information about the Reporting Entity

These financial statements cover the Avondale Water Board (Water Authority). The Water Authority is a not-for-profit statutory body constituted under the *Water Act 2000*. The Water Authority does not control other entities. The financial statements are for the Water Authority as an individual entity.

The objective of the water authority is to pump and distribute water from the Kolan River to irrigable land in the Avondale area.

The head office and principal place of business of the water authority is 4 Gavin Street Bundaberg.

(b) Authorisation of Financial Statements for Issue

The financial statements are authorised for issue by the Chairperson and Secretary at the date of signing the Management Certificate.

(c) Compliance with Prescribed Requirements

The financial statements have been prepared in compliance with the *Financial Accountability Act 2009* and the *Financial and Performance Management Standard 2019*.

These general purpose financial statements are prepared in accordance with the disclosure requirements of Australian Accounting Standards - Simplified Disclosures. The financial statements comply with the recognition and measurement requirements of all Australian Accounting Standards and Interpretations applicable to not-for-profit entities, and the presentation requirements in those standards as modified by AASB 1060.

(d) Underlying Measurement Basis

The financial statements are prepared on an accrual basis, with the exception of the statement of cash flows which is prepared on a cash basis.

The historical cost convention is used as the measurement basis except for land and buildings and infrastructure assets which are measured at fair value.

(e) Presentation Matters

Currency and Rounding

Amounts included in the financial statements are in Australian dollars. Amounts are rounded to the nearest dollar.

Comparatives

Comparative information reflects the audited 2022-23 financial statements.

Current/Non-Current Classification

Assets are classified as 'current' where their carrying amount is expected to be realised within 12 months after the reporting date. Liabilities are classified as 'current' when they are due to be settled within 12 months after the reporting date, or the Board does not have an unconditional right to defer settlement to beyond 12 months after the reporting date. All other assets and liabilities are classified as non-current.

(f) Taxation

The Water Authority is exempted from income tax under the *Income Tax Assessment Act 1936* and is exempted from other forms of Commonwealth taxation with the exception of Fringe Benefits Tax (FBT) and Goods and Services Tax (GST).

Receivables and payables in the Balance Sheet are shown inclusive of GST. GST credits receivable from, and GST payable to, the ATO at reporting date are separately recognised in receivables within Note 10.

(g) Key Accounting Estimates and Judgements

The most significant estimates and assumptions made in the preparation of the financial statements related to the fair value and depreciation of property, plant and equipment. Details are set out in Note 11. The valuation of property, plant and equipment necessarily involves estimation uncertainty with the potential to materially impact on the carrying amount of such assets in the next reporting period.

(h) New and Revised Accounting Standards

First time mandatory application of Australian Accounting Standards and Interpretations

No new accounting standards were applied for the first time during the 2023-24 financial year.

Early Adoption of Australian Accounting Standards and Interpretations

No accounting pronouncements were early adopted in the 2023-24 financial year.

Voluntary Changes in Accounting Policy

No voluntary changes in accounting policies occurred during the 2023-24 financial year.

Avondale Water Board
Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended 30 June 2024

Note 2 – User Charges and fees	2024	2023
Rates & Charges	<u>\$ 231,182</u>	<u>\$ 177,194</u>
Total	<u>\$ 231,182</u>	<u>\$ 177,194</u>

Rates & Charges, Meter Fees & Charges, and Other Revenue

Revenue from receipt of rates and other charges, or rendering of a service is recognised when the revenue is earned and can be measured reliably with a sufficient degree of certainty. Other revenue is recognised when the right to receive the revenue has been established.

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Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended 30 June 2024

Note 3 – Other Revenue	2024	2023
Repairs to infrastructure	\$ 36,357	\$ 20,864
Total	\$ 36,357	\$ 20,864

Note 4 – Administration Expenses	2024	2023
Audit Fees	\$ 5,800	\$ 3,200
Bank Fees	\$ 85	\$ 60
Dues & Subscriptions	\$ 328	
Insurance	\$ 18,475	\$ 13,205
Total	\$ 24,688	\$ 16,465

Avondale Water Board
Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended 30 June 2024

Note 5 – Supplies and Services	2024	2023
Electricity Pump Stations	\$ 206,548	\$ 174,632
Repairs & Maintenance	\$ 36,357	\$ 20,864
Total	\$ 242,905	\$ 195,495

Note 8 – Other Expenses	2024	2023
Loss on Disposal of <u>assets</u>		\$ 8,175
Total	\$ -	\$ 8,175

Avondale Water Board
Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended 30 June 2024

Note 9 – Cash and Cash Equivalents	2024	2023
Cash on Hand		
Cash at Bank	\$ 43,636	\$ 4,245
Total	\$ 43,636	\$ 4,245

Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include all cash and cheques receipted as at 30 June as well as deposits held at call with financial institutions.

Note 10 – Receivables	2024	2023
Trade Debtors	\$ 84,312	\$ 132,309
GST Clearing Account	\$ 5,735	\$ 9,607
Total	\$ 90,046	\$ 141,916

Receivables

Trade debtors are recognised at the nominal amounts due at the time of sale or service delivery i.e. the agreed purchase/contract price. Settlement terms are within 30 days from invoice date.

The collectability of receivables is assessed periodically.

All known bad debts were written-off as at 30 June 2024.

Avondale Water Board
Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended 30 June 2024

Note 11 – Property, Plant and Equipment and Depreciation Expense

(i) Property Plant and Equipment	2024	2023
Buildings		
At Fair Value	\$ 116,263	\$ 116,263
Less Accumulated Depreciation	<u>\$ (48,723)</u>	<u>\$ (46,988)</u>
	\$ 67,540	\$ 69,275
 Plant & Equipment		
At cost	\$ 1,964,190	\$ 1,942,693
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	\$ (1,793,178)	\$ (1,779,944)
Less: Accumulated Impairment losses		
	<u>\$ 171,012</u>	<u>\$ 162,750</u>
 Total Property, Plant and Equipment	<u><u>\$ 238,552</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 232,025</u></u>

(ii) Property, Plant and Equipment Reconciliation

	Land	Buildings	Infrastruc- ture	Plant & Equipment	Work In Progress
Carrying amount at 1 July 2023		\$ 69,275	\$ -	\$ 162,750	
Acquisitions (including upgrades)				\$ 21,497	
Depreciation expense		\$ 1,735		\$ 13,234	
Carrying amount at 30 June 2024	-	\$ 67,540	\$ -	\$ 171,012	-

(iii) Accounting Policy - Recognition and Measurement

Asset Acquisition

Actual cost is used for the initial recording of all non-current physical asset acquisitions. Cost is determined as the value given as consideration plus costs incidental to the acquisition, including all other costs incurred in getting the assets ready for use, including architects' fees and engineering design fees. However, any training costs are expensed as incurred.

Assets acquired at no cost or for nominal consideration, other than from an involuntary transfer from another Queensland government agency, are recognised at their fair value at date of acquisition in accordance with AASB 116, *Property, Plant and Equipment*.

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of GST, except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the Australian Taxation Office. In these circumstances, the GST is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of the asset or as part of an item of expense.

Recognition of Property, Plant and Equipment

Items of property, plant and equipment with a cost or other value equal to or in excess of the following thresholds are recognised for financial reporting purposes in the year of acquisition:

Buildings	\$10,000
Infrastructure	\$10,000
Intangibles	\$100,000
Land	\$1
Plant and Equipment	\$5,000

Items with a lesser value are expensed in the year of acquisition. Expenditure is only capitalised if it increases the service potential or useful life of the existing asset. Maintenance expenditure that merely restores original service potential (arising from ordinary wear and tear) is expensed.

Assets are recognised net of the amount of GST, except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the Australian Taxation Office. In these circumstances, the GST is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of the asset.

Measurement of property, plant and equipment at fair value

Plant and equipment is measured at cost in accordance with the Non-Current Asset Policies. The carrying amounts for plant and equipment at cost approximate their fair value.

Land, buildings and infrastructure assets are measured at fair value in accordance with AASB 116 *Property, Plant and Equipment*, AASB 13 *Fair Value Measurement* and Queensland Treasury's Non-Current Asset Policies for the Queensland Public Sector. These assets are reported at their revalued amounts, being the fair value at the date of valuation, less any subsequent accumulated depreciation and impairment losses where applicable.

Revaluation of property, plant and equipment

Land, buildings and infrastructure measured at fair value are revalued on an annual basis either by appraisals undertaken by an independent professional valuer or internal expert, or by the use of appropriate and relevant indices.

Revaluations using independent professional valuer or internal expert appraisals are undertaken at least once every five years. However, if a particular asset class experiences significant and volatile changes in fair value, that class is subject to specific appraisal in the reporting period, where practicable, regardless of the timing of the last specific appraisal.

Where assets have not been specifically appraised in the reporting period, indices are applied to their previous valuations to ensure their fair values are materially up to date. Relevant indices provided by the Australian Bureau of Statistics, which are publicly available have been applied. The indices used are tested for reasonableness by applying the indices to a sample of assets, comparing the results to similar assets that have been valued by an independent professional valuer or internal expert, and analysing the trend of changes in values over time.

Any revaluation increment arising on the revaluation of an asset is credited to the asset revaluation surplus of the appropriate class, except to the extent it reverses a revaluation decrement for the class previously recognised as an expense. A decrease in the carrying amount on revaluation is charged as an expense, to the extent it exceeds the balance, if any, in the revaluation surplus relating to that asset class.

On revaluation, for assets revalued using a cost valuation approach (e.g. current replacement cost) - accumulated depreciation is adjusted to equal the difference between the gross amount and carrying amount, after taking into account accumulated impairment losses. This is generally referred to as the 'gross method'. For assets revalued using a market or income-based valuation approach - accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses are eliminated against the gross amount of the asset prior to restating for the revaluation. This is generally referred to as the 'net method'.

The cost of land and buildings acquired during the financial year has been judged by management to materially represent their fair value at the end of the reporting period.

Impairment

As a not-for-profit entity, certain property, plant and equipment of the Water Authority are held for the continuing use of its service capacity, and not for the generation of cash flows. Such assets are typically specialised in nature. In accordance with AASB 136, where such assets measured at fair value under AASB 13, that fair value (with no adjustment for disposal costs) is effectively deemed to be the recoverable amount. Consequently, impairment does not apply to such assets unless they are measured at cost.

For all property, plant and equipment and intangible assets to which impairment applies, the Water Authority assesses for indicators of impairment annually. Where indicators exist, impairment is accounted for differently, depending on the type of asset, as follows.

- Plant and equipment and intangible assets, which are measured at cost, are reduced to the asset's recoverable amount, being the higher of the asset's fair value less costs of disposal and its value in use. The adjustment is recorded as an impairment loss.
- For non-specialised property measured at fair value, the only difference between the asset's fair value and its recoverable amount is the costs of disposal. Consequently, the fair value of the asset will materially approximate its recoverable amount where the disposal costs are negligible. Where disposal costs are not negligible, the asset is reduced to its recoverable amount via a revaluation decrement.

Depreciation

Land is not depreciated as it has an unlimited useful life.

Buildings, infrastructure assets and plant and equipment are depreciated on a straight-line basis over their useful lives. The estimation of the useful lives of assets is based on historical experience with similar assets as well as considerations such as manufacturers' warranties, asset turnover practices and the Water Authority's strategic asset plan. Re-assessments of useful lives are undertaken annually by the Water Authority. Any consequential adjustments to remaining useful life estimates are implemented prospectively.

For each class of depreciable asset the following depreciation rates are used:

Class	Rate (%)
Buildings	2-10
Infrastructure	1-33.33
Plant & Equipment	10-20

Any expenditure that increases the originally assessed capacity or service potential of an asset is capitalised and the new depreciable amount is depreciated over the remaining useful life of the asset to the Water Authority.

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Note 12 – Intangible Assets and Amortisation Expense

	2024	2023
Water rights purchased	\$ 450,000	\$ 450,000
Total	\$ 450,000	\$ 450,000

Intangibles

Water rights are infinite life intangible assets capitalised on the basis of actual costs incurred to purchase those rights. As they do not have a finite life they are not amortised.

Avondale Water Board currently holds several easements, all of which fall below the recognition threshold prescribed by Queensland Treasury's Non-Current Assets Policies for the Qld Public Sector.

Note 13 – Payables

	2024	2023
Trade Creditors	\$ 51,905	\$ 30,277
Total	\$ 51,905	\$ 30,277

Payables

Trade creditors are recognised upon receipt of the goods or services ordered and are measured at the agreed purchase/contract price, gross of applicable trade and other discounts. Amounts owing are unsecured and are generally settled on 30 day terms.

Avondale Water Board
Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended 30 June 2024

Note 17 - Financial Instruments	2024	2023
<i>Financial Assets</i>		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 43,636	\$ 4,245
Loans and Receivables at amortised cost	\$ 84,312	\$ 141,916
Total	\$ 127,947	\$ 146,161

Financial Instruments

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognised in the Balance Sheet when the Water Authority becomes party to the contractual provisions of the financial instrument.

Avondale Water Board
Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended 30 June 2024

Note 18 - Key Management Personnel (KMP) Disclosures

Details of Key Management Personnel

The following details for key management personnel include those Water Authority positions that had authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of the Water Authority during 2023-24 and 2022-23.

Position	Position Responsibility
Chairperson	The strategic leadership, guidance and effective oversight of the management of the Board, including its operational and financial performance.
Board Member	Responsible for the strategic leadership and direction of the Board.
Secretary	Responsible for the efficient and effective financial administration of the Board.

Remuneration Expenses

Board members **do not** receive payment for attendance at Board Meetings and Special Assignments where they attend a meeting or conference on behalf of the Water Authority.

Category 2 Water Authorities		
Position	Meetings more than four hours duration	Meetings fewer than four hours duration
Chairperson	nil	nil
Director / Member	nil	nil

The chairperson and directors **are not** entitled to be paid allowances while travelling on approved business and attending meetings in accordance with the following arrangements:

- economy class air travel;
- motor vehicle allowances prescribed in Motor Vehicle Allowances Directive No. 20/16; and
- travelling expenses prescribed in Domestic Travelling and Relieving Expenses Directive No 01/23.

	2024	2023
Directors	\$ -	\$ -
Trustee	\$ -	\$ -
Member	\$ -	\$ -
Secretaries	\$ -	\$ -
Total	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

Note 19 - Related Party Transactions

There has been no related party transactions between the Avondale Water Board and the KMP for the year up to 30th June 2024.

Avondale Water Board
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Note 20 - Commitments

No foreseeable commitments at 30th June 2024.

Note 21 - Contingencies

No foreseeable contingencies at 30th June 2024.

Note 22 - Events occurring after balance date

No foreseeable events have occurred after the balance date of 30th June 2024.

Note 23 - Climate related risk disclosure

No adjustments to the carrying value of assets held by the Water Authority were recognised during the financial year as a result of climate-related risks impacting current accounting estimates and judgements. No other transactions have been recognised during the financial year specifically due to climate-related risks impacting the Water Authority.

**Avondale Water Board
Management Certificate**
For the Year Ended 30 June 2024

MANAGEMENT CERTIFICATE OF AVONDALE WATER BOARD

These general purpose financial statements have been prepared pursuant to s.62(1)(a) of the *Financial Accountability Act 2009* (the Act), s.39 of the *Financial and Performance Management Standard 2019* and other prescribed requirements. In accordance with s.62 (1)(b) of the Act we certify that in our opinion:

- a) the prescribed requirements for establishing and keeping the accounts have been complied with in all material respects; and
- b) the financial statements have been drawn up to present a true and fair view, in accordance with prescribed accounting standards, of the transactions of the Water Authority for the period ended 30 June 2024 and of the financial position of the Water Authority as at the end of that period; and

We acknowledge responsibility under s.7 and s.11 of the *Financial and Performance Management Standard 2019* for the establishment and maintenance, in all material respects, of an appropriate and effective system of internal controls and risk management processes with respect to financial reporting throughout the reporting period.

Nicole Tanner

Secretary



(Signature)

8/8/2024

(Date)

Simon Doyle

Chairperson



(Signature)

08/08/2024

(Date)

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Avondale Water Board

Report on the audit of the financial report

Opinion

I have audited the accompanying financial report of Avondale Water Board.

The financial report comprises the balance sheet as at 30 June 2024, the statement of comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the year then ended, notes to the financial statements including material accounting policy information, and the management certificate.

In my opinion, the financial report:

- a) gives a true and fair view of the entity's financial position as at 30 June 2024, and its financial performance and cash flows for the year then ended
- b) complies with the *Financial Accountability Act 2009*, the Financial and Performance Management Standard 2019 and Australian Accounting Standards – Simplified Disclosures.

Basis for opinion

I conducted my audit in accordance with the *Auditor-General Auditing Standards*, which incorporate the Australian Auditing Standards. My responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report* section of my report.

I am independent of the entity in accordance with the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including independence standards)* (the Code) that are relevant to my audit of the financial report in Australia. I have also fulfilled my other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code and the *Auditor-General Auditing Standards*.

I believe that the audit evidence I have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my opinion.

Responsibilities of the entity for the financial report

The Board is responsible for the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view in accordance with the *Financial Accountability Act 2009*, the Financial and Performance Management Standard 2019 and Australian Accounting Standards – Simplified Disclosures, and for such internal control as the Board determines is necessary to enable the preparation of the financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

The Board is also responsible for assessing the entity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters relating to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless it is intended to abolish the entity or to otherwise cease operations.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial report

My objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes my opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of this financial report.

A further description of my responsibilities for the audit of the financial report is located at the Auditing and Assurance Standards Board website at:

https://www.auasb.gov.au/auditors_responsibilities/ar4.pdf

This description forms part of my auditor's report.

Report on other legal and regulatory requirements

Statement

In accordance with s.40 of the *Auditor-General Act 2009*, for the year ended 30 June 2024:

- a) I received all the information and explanations I required.
- b) I consider that, the prescribed requirements in relation to the establishment and keeping of accounts were complied with in all material respects.

Prescribed requirements scope

The prescribed requirements for the establishment and keeping of accounts are contained in the *Financial Accountability Act 2009*, any other Act and the Financial and Performance Management Standard 2019. The applicable requirements include those for keeping financial records that correctly record and explain the entity's transactions and account balances to enable the preparation of a true and fair financial report.



Lisa Fraser
as delegate of the Auditor-General

17 September 2024
Queensland Audit Office
Brisbane

BOLLON SOUTH WATER AUTHORITY

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the Year Ended 30 June 2024

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BOLLON SOUTH WATER AUTHORITY
Statement of Comprehensive Income
For the period 1 July 2023 to 30 June 2024

	Notes	2024 \$	2023 \$
Income from Continuing Operations			
User Charges & Fees	2	51,000.00	-
Other Revenue	3	796.96	71.24
Total Income from Continuing Operations		51,796.96	71.24
Expenses from Continuing Operations			
Administration Expenses	4	7,010.95	7,799.50
Depreciation	7	17,368.00	17,368.00
Total Expenses from Continuing Operations		24,378.95	25,167.50
Operating Result from Continuing Operations		27,418.01	(25,096.26)
Operating Result for the Year		27,418.01	(25,096.26)
Total Comprehensive Income		27,418.01	(25,096.26)

The accompanying notes form part of these statements.

BOLLON SOUTH WATER AUTHORITY
Statement of Changes in Equity
For the period 1 July 2023 to 30 June 2024

	Accumulated Surplus \$	Total \$
Balance as at 1 July 2022	766,503.93	766,503.93
Operating Result		
<i>Operating result from continuing operations</i>	(25,096.26)	(25,096.26)
Total Comprehensive Income	\$ (25,096.26)	\$ (25,096.26)
Balance as at 30 June 2023	\$ 741,407.67	\$ 741,407.67
Balance as at 1 July 2023	\$ 741,407.67	\$ 741,407.67
Operating Result		
<i>Operating result from continuing operations</i>	27,418.01	27,418.01
Total Comprehensive Income	\$ 27,418.01	\$ 27,418.01
Balance as at 30 June 2024	\$ 768,825.68	\$ 768,825.68

The accompanying notes form part of these statements.

BOLLON SOUTH WATER AUTHORITY**Balance Sheet**

As at 30 June 2024

	Notes	2024 \$	2023 \$
Current Assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	5	276,091.36	240,350.98
Receivables	6	3,350.71	328.58
Total Current Assets		279,442.07	240,679.56
Non-Current Assets			
Property, Plant & Equipment	7	533,438.93	550,806.93
Total Non-Current Assets		533,438.93	550,806.93
Total Assets		812,881.00	791,486.49
Current Liabilities			
Payables	8	44,055.32	50,078.82
Total Current Liabilities		44,055.32	50,078.82
Total Liabilities		44,055.32	50,078.82
Net Assets		768,825.68	741,407.67
Equity			
Accumulated surplus		768,825.68	741,407.67
Total Equity		768,825.68	741,407.67

The accompanying notes form part of these statements.

BOLLON SOUTH WATER AUTHORITY**Statement of Cash Flows**

For the Year Ended 30 June 2024

	Note	2024 \$	2023 \$
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
<i>Inflows:</i>			
User charges		51,000.00	-
Other Revenue		779.83	22.66
GST input tax credits from ATO		570.00	743.00
<i>Outflows:</i>			
Administration Expenses		(15,099.50)	(3,500.00)
Supplies and Services		-	-
GST paid to suppliers		(1,509.95)	(350.00)
Net cash provided by / (used in) operating activities		<u>35,740.38</u>	<u>(3,084.34)</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES			
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		<u>35,740.38</u>	<u>(3,084.34)</u>
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of financial year	5	<u>240,350.98</u>	<u>243,435.32</u>
Cash and cash equivalents at end of financial year	5	<u>276,091.36</u>	<u>240,350.98</u>

The accompanying notes form part of these statements.

BOLLON SOUTH WATER AUTHORITY

Notes to the Financial Statements

For the Year Ended 30 June 2024

Note 1 – Basis of Financial Statement Preparation

(a) General Information about the Reporting Entity

These financial statements cover the Bollon South Water Authority (Water Authority). The Water Authority is a statutory body constituted under the Water Act 2000. The Water Authority does not control other entities. The financial statements are for the Water Authority as an individual entity.

The objective of the water authority is to supply water for stock and domestic purposes for properties within the authority area.

The head office and principal place of business of the water authority is 119 Victoria Street, St George, Queensland.

(b) Authorisation of Financial Statements for Issue

The financial statements are authorised for issue by the Chairperson and Secretary at the date of signing the Management Certificate.

(c) Compliance with Prescribed Requirements

The financial statements have been prepared in compliance with the *Financial Accountability Act 2009* and the *Financial and Performance Management Standard 2019*.

These general purpose financial statements are prepared in accordance with the disclosure requirements of Australian Accounting Standards - Simplified Disclosures. The financial statements comply with the recognition and measurement requirements of all Australian Accounting Standards and Interpretations applicable to not-for-profit entities, and the presentation requirements in those standards as modified by AASB 1060.

(d) Underlying Measurement Basis

The financial statements are prepared on an accrual basis, with the exception of the statement of cash flows which is prepared on a cash basis.

The historical cost convention is used as the measurement basis.

(e) Presentation Matters

Currency and Rounding

Amounts included in the financial statements are in Australian dollars.

Comparatives

Comparative information reflects the audited 2023-24 financial statements.

Current/Non-Current Classification

Assets are classified as 'current' where their carrying amount is expected to be realised within 12 months after the reporting date. Liabilities are classified as 'current' when they are due to be settled within 12 months after the reporting date, or the Board does not have an unconditional right to defer settlement to beyond 12 months after the reporting date. All other assets and liabilities are classified as non-current.

BOLLON SOUTH WATER AUTHORITY**Notes to the Financial Statements**

For the Year Ended 30 June 2024

(f) Taxation

The Water Authority is exempted from income tax under the Income Tax Assessment Act 1936 and is exempted from other forms of Commonwealth taxation with the exception of Fringe Benefits Tax (FBT) and Goods and Services Tax (GST).

Receivables and payables in the Balance Sheet are shown inclusive of GST. GST credits receivable from, and GST payable to, the ATO at reporting date are separately recognised in receivables within Note 6 and in payables within Note 8.

(g) Key Accounting Estimates and Judgements

The most significant estimates and assumptions made in the preparation of the financial statements related to the depreciation of Property, Plant and Equipment. Details are set out in Note 7.

(h) New and Revised Accounting Standards**First time mandatory application of Australian Accounting Standards and Interpretations**

No new accounting standards were applied for the first time during the 2023-24 financial year.

Early Adoption of Australian Accounting Standards and Interpretations

No accounting pronouncements were early adopted in the 2023-24 financial year.

Voluntary Changes in Accounting Policy

No voluntary changes in accounting policies occurred during the 2023-24 financial year.

Note 2 - User Charges and Fees

	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Rates & Charges	51,000.00	-

Rates & Charges, Meter Fees & Charges, Grants and Other Revenue

Revenue from receipt of rates and other charges, or rendering of a service is recognised when the revenue is earned and can be measured reliably with a sufficient degree of certainty. Other revenue is recognised when the right to receive the revenue has been established.

Note 3 - Other Revenue

	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Interest - Bank	796.96	71.24

Note 4 - Administration Expenses

	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Accounting fees	1,000.00	1,000.00
Administration fees	3,610.00	3,500.00
Audit fees	2,400.00	3,299.50
Sundry expenses	0.95	-
	<u>7,010.95</u>	<u>7,799.50</u>

BOLLON SOUTH WATER AUTHORITY**Notes to the Financial Statements**

For the Year Ended 30 June 2024

Note 5 - Cash and cash equivalents	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Cash at bank	276,091.36	240,350.98

Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include all cash and cheques receipted as at 30 June 2024 as well as deposits held at call with financial institutions.

Note 6 - Receivables	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Trade debtors	15,149.34	15,149.34
Less: Impairment loss allowance	<u>(15,149.34)</u>	<u>(15,149.34)</u>
	-	-
Accrued interest income	65.71	48.58
GST receivable	3,285.00	280.00
Total	<u>3,350.71</u>	<u>328.58</u>

Receivables

Trade debtors are recognised at the nominal amounts due at the time of sale or service delivery i.e. the agreed purchase/contract price. Settlement terms are within 30 days from invoice date.

The collectability of receivables is assessed periodically.

All known bad debts were written-off as at 30 June 2024.

Note 7 - Property, Plant & Equipment and Depreciation Expense

(i) Property Plant and Equipment	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Plant & Equipment		
At cost	868,449.93	868,449.93
Less: Accumulated depreciation	<u>(335,011.00)</u>	<u>(317,643.00)</u>
Total	<u>533,438.93</u>	<u>550,806.93</u>

(ii) Property, Plant & Equipment Reconciliation

	Plant & Equipment
Carrying amount at 1 July 2023	550,806.93
Depreciation expense	<u>(17,368.00)</u>
Carrying amount at 30 June 2024	<u>533,438.93</u>

BOLLON SOUTH WATER AUTHORITY

Notes to the Financial Statements

For the Year Ended 30 June 2024

(iii) Accounting Policy - Recognition and Measurement

Asset Acquisition

Actual cost is used for the initial recording of all non-current physical asset acquisitions. Cost is determined as the value given as consideration plus costs incidental to the acquisition, including all other costs incurred in getting the assets ready for use, including architects' fees and engineering design fees. However, any training costs are expensed as incurred.

Assets acquired at no cost or for nominal consideration, other than from an involuntary transfer from another Queensland government agency, are recognised at their fair value at date of acquisition in accordance with AASB 116 Property, Plant and Equipment.

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of GST, except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the Australian Taxation Office. In these circumstances, the GST is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of the asset or as part of an item of expense.

Recognition of Property, Plant and Equipment

Items of property, plant and equipment with a cost or other value equal to or in excess of the following thresholds are recognised for financial reporting purposes in the year of acquisition:

Buildings / Infrastructure	\$10,000
Land	\$1
Plant and Equipment	\$5,000

Items with a lesser value are expensed in the year of acquisition. Expenditure is only capitalised if it increases the service potential or useful life of the existing asset. Maintenance expenditure that merely restores original service potential (arising from ordinary wear and tear) is expensed.

Assets are recognised net of the amount of GST, except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the Australian Taxation Office. In these circumstances, the GST is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of the asset.

Impairment

As a not-for-profit entity, certain property, plant and equipment of the Water Authority are held for the continuing use of its service capacity, and not for the generation of cash flows. Such assets are typically specialised in nature. In accordance with AASB 136, where such assets measured at fair value under AASB 13, that fair value (with no adjustment for disposal costs) is effectively deemed to be the recoverable amount. Consequently, impairment does not apply to such assets unless they are measured at cost.

BOLLON SOUTH WATER AUTHORITY

Notes to the Financial Statements

For the Year Ended 30 June 2024

For all property, plant and equipment and intangible assets to which impairment applies, the Water Authority assesses for indicators of impairment annually. Where indicators exist, impairment is accounted for differently, depending on the type of asset, as follows.

- Plant and equipment and intangible assets, which are measured at cost, are reduced to the asset's recoverable amount, being the higher of the asset's fair value less costs of disposal and its value in use. The adjustment is recorded as an impairment loss.
- For non-specialised property measured at fair value, the only difference between the asset's fair value and its recoverable amount is the costs of disposal. Consequently, the fair value of the asset will materially approximate its recoverable amount where the disposal costs are negligible. Where disposal costs are not negligible, the asset is reduced to its recoverable amount via a revaluation decrement.

Depreciation

Buildings, infrastructure assets and plant and equipment are depreciated on a straight-line basis over their useful lives. The estimation of the useful lives of assets is based on historical experience with similar assets as well as considerations such as manufacturers' warranties, asset turnover practices and the Water Authority's strategic asset plan. Re-assessments of useful lives are undertaken annually by the Water Authority. Any consequential adjustments to remaining useful life estimates are implemented prospectively.

For each class of depreciable asset the following depreciation rates are used:

Class	Rate %
Plant & Equipment	2.00

Any expenditure that increases the originally assessed capacity or service potential of an asset is capitalised and the new depreciable amount is depreciated over the remaining useful life of the asset to the Water Authority.

Note 8 - Payables	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Trade creditors	25,806.00	3,080.00
Debtor overpayment	4,639.32	4,639.32
Accrued audit fees	9,000.00	18,899.50
Accrued accounting fees	1,000.00	5,500.00
Accrued administration fees	3,610.00	17,960.00
	<u>44,055.32</u>	<u>50,078.82</u>

Payables

Trade creditors are recognised upon receipt of the goods or services ordered and are measured at the agreed purchase/contract price, gross of applicable trade and other discounts. Amounts owing are unsecured and are generally settled on 30 day terms.

Note 9 - Financial Instruments

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognised in the Balance Sheet when the Authority becomes party to the contractual provisions of the financial instrument.

BOLLON SOUTH WATER AUTHORITY

Notes to the Financial Statements

For the Year Ended 30 June 2024

Note 10 - Key Management Personnel (KMP) Disclosures

Details of Key Management Personnel

The following details for key management personnel include those Water Authority positions that had authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of the Water Authority during 2023-24 and 2022-23.

Position	Position Responsibility
Chairperson	The strategic leadership, guidance and effective oversight of the management of the Board, including its operational and financial performance.
Board Member	Responsible for the strategic leadership and direction of the Board.
Secretary	Responsible for the efficient and effective financial administration of the Board.

Remuneration Expenses

The Board members did not enforce the payment of their entitlements for attendance at board meetings, special assignments or travelling allowances and did not receive any remuneration.

Note 11 - Related Party Transactions

Related party transactions occurred with the Directors and Secretary of the Board. The Directors themselves are ratepayers or are related to the ratepayers of the Authority. These transactions were undertaken on the same terms as non-related ratepayers.

The Secretary is associated with the entities Andette Pty Ltd and Bodkin Accounting that provided administration and accounting services (respectively) to the Water Authority for which they receive a fee paid by the Water Authority . These fees are charged on the same terms as with other water authorities.

Note 12 - Commitments

There are no commitments at reporting date.

Note 13 - Contingencies

There are no contingencies at reporting date.

Note 14 - Events occurring after balance date

There are no events occurring after balance date.

BOLLON SOUTH WATER AUTHORITY

Notes to the Financial Statements

For the Year Ended 30 June 2024

Note 15 - Climate related risk disclosure

The State of Queensland, as the ultimate parent on the Water Authority, has published a wide range of information and resources on climate change risks, strategies and actions (<https://www.qld.gov.au/environment/climate/climate-change>) including the following key whole-of-Government publications:

- Climate Action Plan 2020-2030 (<https://www.des.qld.gov.au/climateaction>)
- Queensland Energy and Jobs Plan (<https://www.epw.qld.gov.au/energyandjobsplan>)
- Climate Adaptation Strategy (<https://www.qld.gov.au/environment/climate/climate-change/adapting/strategy>)
- Queensland Sustainability Report (<https://www.treasury.qld.gov.au/programs-andpolicies/esq/>)

No adjustments to the carrying value of assets were recognised during the financial year as a result of climate-related risks impacting current accounting estimates and judgements. No other transactions have been recognised during the financial year specifically due to climate-related risks impacting the Water Authority.

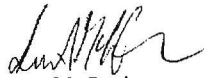
BOLLON SOUTH WATER AUTHORITY
Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended 30 June 2024

MANAGEMENT CERTIFICATE OF BOLLON SOUTH WATER AUTHORITY

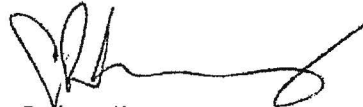
These general purpose financial statements have been prepared pursuant to s.62(1)(a) of the *Financial Accountability Act 2009* (the Act), s.39 of the *Financial and Performance Management Standard 2019* and other prescribed requirements. In accordance with s.62 (1)(b) of the Act we certify that in our opinion:

- a) the prescribed requirements for establishing and keeping the accounts have been complied with in all material respects; and
- b) the financial statements have been drawn up to present a true and fair view, in accordance with prescribed accounting standards, of the transactions of the Water Authority for the period ended 30 June 2024 and of the financial position of the Water Authority as at the end of that period; and

We acknowledge responsibility under s.7 and s.11 of the Financial and Performance Management Standard 2019 for the establishment and maintenance, in all material respects, of an appropriate and effective system of internal controls and risk management processes with respect to financial reporting throughout the reporting period.


Leon McCosker
Secretary

13 SEPTEMBER 2024


Graham Kenny
Chairperson

13 SEPTEMBER 2024

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Bollon South Water Authority

Report on the audit of the financial report

Qualified opinion

I have audited the accompanying financial report of Bollon South Water Authority.

The financial report comprises the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2024, the statement of comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the year then ended, notes to the financial statements including material accounting policy information, and the management certificate.

In my opinion, except for the possible effects of the matters described in the *Basis for qualified opinion* section of my report, the financial report:

- a) gives a true and fair view of the entity's financial position as at 30 June 2024, and its financial performance and cash flows for the year then ended
- b) complies with the *Financial Accountability Act 2009*, the Financial and Performance Management Standard 2019 and Australian Accounting Standards – Simplified Disclosures.

Basis for qualified opinion

Sufficient appropriate evidence has not been presented by Bollon South Water Authority to confirm the existence of its property plant and equipment, that all assets controlled by the board have been recorded, or that the carrying values of property, plant and equipment were in accordance with either the cost model or revaluation model options available under AASB 116 *Property, Plant and Equipment*. As a consequence, sufficient and appropriate audit evidence has not been presented by Bollon South Water Authority to demonstrate that the carrying value of property, plant and equipment of \$533,438.93 (2023: \$550,806.93), accumulated depreciation of \$335,011 (2023: \$317,643), and depreciation expense of \$17,368 (2023: \$17,368) as recorded in Note 7 are reliable.

The impact of these matters on the financial report is unable to be quantified due to the absence of reliable data.

I conducted my audit in accordance with the *Auditor-General Auditing Standards*, which incorporate the Australian Auditing Standards. My responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report* section of my report.

I am independent of the entity in accordance with the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including independence standards)* (the Code) that are relevant to my audit of the financial report in Australia. I have also fulfilled my other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code and the *Auditor-General Auditing Standards*.

I believe that the audit evidence I have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my qualified opinion.

Responsibilities of the entity for the financial report

The Board is responsible for the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view in accordance with the *Financial Accountability Act 2009*, the Financial and Performance Management Standard 2019 and Australian Accounting Standards – Simplified Disclosures, and for such internal control as the Board determines is necessary to enable the preparation of the financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

The Board is also responsible for assessing the entity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters relating to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless it is intended to abolish the entity or to otherwise cease operations.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial report

My objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes my opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of this financial report.

A further description of my responsibilities for the audit of the financial report is located at the Auditing and Assurance Standards Board website at:

https://www.auasb.gov.au/auditors_responsibilities/ar4.pdf

This description forms part of my auditor's report.

Report on other legal and regulatory requirements

Statement

In accordance with s.40 of the *Auditor-General Act 2009*, except for the matters described in the *Basis of qualified opinion* section of my report, for the year ended 30 June 2024:

- a) I received all the information and explanations I required.
- b) I consider that, the prescribed requirements in relation to the establishment and keeping of accounts were complied with in all material respects.

Prescribed requirements scope

The prescribed requirements for the establishment and keeping of accounts are contained in the *Financial Accountability Act 2009*, any other Act and the Financial and Performance Management Standard 2019. The applicable requirements include those for keeping financial records that correctly record and explain the entity's transactions and account balances to enable the preparation of a true and fair financial report.



Lisa Fraser
as delegate of the Auditor-General

23 September 2024
Queensland Audit Office
Brisbane

BONES KNOB WATER BOARD
Statement of Comprehensive Income
For the Year Ended 30 June 2024

OPERATING RESULT	Notes	2024	2023
		\$	\$
Income from Continuing Operations			
User charges and fees	2	\$ 33,001.00	\$ 32,343.00
Meter Fees & Charges	2a		\$ 11,000.00
Grants and other contributions			
Interest			
Other Revenue	3		
Total Income from Continuing Operations		\$ 33,001.00	\$ 43,343.00
Expenses from Continuing Operations			
Administration Expenses	4	\$ 37,940.00	\$ 14,193.00
Supplies and Services	5	\$ 17,666.00	\$ 9,794.00
Depreciation	11	\$ 2,599.00	\$ 2,888.00
Impairment Losses	6		
Amortisation	12		
Finance/borrowing costs			
Total Expenses from Continuing Operations		\$ 58,205.00	\$ 26,875.00
Operating Result from Continuing Operations		-\$ 25,204.00	\$ 16,467.00
Operating Result for the Year		-\$ 25,204.00	\$ 16,467.00
OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME			
<u>Items that will not be reclassified to operating result</u>			
Increase (decrease) in asset revaluation surplus			
Total Items that will not be reclassified to operating result		\$ -	\$ -
Total Other Comprehensive Income		0	0
Total Comprehensive Income		-\$ 25,204.00	\$ 16,467.00

BONES KNOB WATER BOARD
Statement of Changes in Equity
As at 30 June 2024

	Accumulated Surplus/Deficit
Balance as at 1 July 2022	<u>\$ 85,223.00</u>
Operating Result	
<i>Operating result from continuing operations</i>	<u>\$ 16,467.00</u>
Other Comprehensive Income	
<i>Increase/(Decrease) in Asset revaluation surplus</i>	
Total Comprehensive Income	<u>\$ 16,467.00</u>
Balance as at 30 June 2023	<u><u>\$ 101,690.00</u></u>
Balance as at 1 July 2023	<u><u>\$ 101,690.00</u></u>
Operating Result	
<i>Operating result from continuing operations</i>	<u>-\$ 25,204.00</u>
Other Comprehensive Income	
<i>Increase/(Decrease) in Asset revaluation surplus</i>	
Total Comprehensive Income	<u>-\$ 25,204.00</u>
Balance as at 30 June 2024	<u><u>\$ 76,486.00</u></u>

The accompanying notes form part of these statements.

**BONES KNOB WATER BOARD
BALANCE SHEET**

As at 30 June 2024

	Notes	2024 \$	2023 \$
Current Assets			
Cash and Cash Equivalents	9	-\$ 5,889.00	\$ 18,304.00
Receivables	10	\$ 34,281.00	\$ 31,893.00
Total Current Assets		\$ 28,392.00	\$ 50,197.00
Non Current Assets			
Property, plant and equipment	11	\$ 23,394.00	\$ 25,993.00
Intangible Assets	12	\$ 31,500.00	\$ 31,500.00
Total Non Current Assets		\$ 54,894.00	\$ 57,493.00
Total Assets		\$ 83,286.00	\$ 107,690.00
Current Liabilities			
Payables	13	\$ 3,800.00	\$ 3,000.00
Other current liabilities	14	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00
Total Current Liabilities		\$ 6,800.00	\$ 6,000.00
Non Current Liabilities			
Other non current liabilities	14		
Total Non-Current Liabilities		\$ -	\$ -
Total Liabilities		-\$ 6,800.00	\$ 6,000.00
Net Assets (Liabilities)		\$ 76,486.00	\$ 101,690.00
Equity			
Accumulated Surplus	15	\$ 76,486.00	\$ 101,690.00
Asset revaluation surplus			
Total Equity		\$ 76,486.00	\$ 101,690.00

The accompanying notes form part of these statements.

BONES KNOB WATER BOARD
Statement of Cash Flows
For the Year Ended 30 June 2024

	Note	2024 \$	2023 \$
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
<i>Inflows:</i>			
Grants and other contributions			\$1,727.00
User charges and fees		\$ 30,741.00	\$ 25,837.00
Interest Received		\$ 857.00	
GST input tax credits from ATO		\$ 5,017.00	\$ 2,570.00
GST collected from customers			\$ 73.00
<i>Outflows:</i>			
Interest Paid			
Administrative Expenses		\$ 37,140.00	\$ 14,193.00
Supplies and Services		\$ 17,666.00	\$ 9,794.00
GST paid to suppliers		\$ 5,082.00	\$ 2,347.00
GST remitted to ATO		\$ 920.00	
Net cash provided by / (used in) operating activities		<u>-\$ 24,193.00</u>	<u>\$ 3,871.00</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
<i>Inflows:</i>			
Sales of property, plant and equipment			
<i>Outflows:</i>			
Payments for property, plant and equipment			
Net cash provided by / (used in) investing activities		<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES			
<i>Inflows:</i>			
<i>Outflows:</i>			
Loan repayments made			\$ 3,000.00
Net cash provided by / (used in) financing activities		<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 3,000.00</u>
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		<u>-\$ 24,193.00</u>	<u>\$ 871.00</u>
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of financial year	9	<u>\$ 18,304.00</u>	<u>\$ 17,433.00</u>
Cash and Cash equivalents at end of financial year	9	<u>-\$ 5,889.00</u>	<u>\$ 18,304.00</u>

The accompanying notes form part of these statements.

BONES KNOB WATER BOARD
Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended 30 June 2024

Note 1 – Basis of Financial Statement Preparation

(a) General Information about the Reporting Entity

These financial statements cover the Bones Knob Water Board. The Water Authority is a not-for-profit statutory body constituted under the *Water Act 2000*. The Water Authority does not control other entities. The financial statements are for the Water Authority as an individual entity.

The objective of the water authority is to supply stock and domestic water.

The head office and principal place of business of the water authority is 9 Main Street Atherton Q4885

(b) Authorisation of Financial Statements for Issue

The financial statements are authorised for issue by the Chairperson and Secretary at the date of signing the Management Certificate.

(c) Compliance with Prescribed Requirements

The financial statements have been prepared in compliance with the *Financial Accountability Act 2009* and the *Financial and Performance Management Standard 2019*.

These general purpose financial statements are prepared in accordance with the disclosure requirements of Australian Accounting Standards - Simplified Disclosures. The financial statements comply with the recognition and measurement requirements of all Australian Accounting Standards and Interpretations applicable to not-for-profit entities, and the presentation requirements in those standards as modified by AASB 1060.

(d) Underlying Measurement Basis

The financial statements are prepared on an accrual basis, with the exception of the statement of cash flows which is prepared on a cash basis.

The historical cost convention is used as the measurement basis except for land and buildings and infrastructure assets which are measured at fair value.

(e) Presentation Matters

Currency and Rounding

Amounts included in the financial statements are in Australian dollars. Amounts are rounded to the nearest dollar.

Comparatives

Comparative information reflects the audited 2022-23 financial statements.

Current/Non-Current Classification

Assets are classified as 'current' where their carrying amount is expected to be realised within 12 months after the reporting date. Liabilities are classified as 'current' when they are due to be settled within 12 months after the reporting date, or the Board does not have an unconditional right to defer settlement to beyond 12 months after the reporting date. All other assets and liabilities are classified as non-current.

(f) Taxation

The Water Authority is exempted from income tax under the *Income Tax Assessment Act 1936* and is exempted from other forms of Commonwealth taxation with the exception of Fringe Benefits Tax (FBT) and Goods and Services Tax (GST).

Receivables and payables in the Balance Sheet are shown inclusive of GST. GST credits receivable from, and GST payable to, the ATO at reporting date are separately recognised in receivables within Note 10.

(g) Key Accounting Estimates and Judgements

The most significant estimates and assumptions made in the preparation of the financial statements related to the fair value and depreciation of property, plant and equipment. Details are set out in Note 11. The valuation of property, plant and equipment necessarily involves estimation uncertainty with the potential to materially impact on the carrying amount of such assets in the next reporting period.

(h) New and Revised Accounting Standards

First time mandatory application of Australian Accounting Standards and Interpretations

No new accounting standards were applied for the first time during the 2023-24 financial year.

Early Adoption of Australian Accounting Standards and Interpretations

No accounting pronouncements were early adopted in the 2023-24 financial year.

Voluntary Changes in Accounting Policy

No voluntary changes in accounting policies occurred during the 2023-24 financial year.

BONES KNOB WATER BOARD
Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended 30 June 2024

Note 2 – User Charges and fees	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Rates & Charges	\$ 32,144.00	\$ 31,268.00
Excess Water Usage		\$ 1,075.00
Interest on Rates	\$ 857.00	
Total	\$ 33,001.00	\$ 32,343.00

Note 2(a) – Meter Fees & Charges	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Meter Searches		
New Connections		\$ 11,000.00
Reconnections & Relocations		
Total	\$ -	\$ 11,000.00

Rates & Charges, Meter Fees & Charges, Grants and Other Revenue

Revenue from receipt of rates and other charges, or rendering of a service is recognised when the revenue is earned and can be measured reliably with a sufficient degree of certainty. Other revenue is recognised when the right to receive the revenue has been established.

BONES KNOB WATER BOARD
Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended 30 June 2024

Note 3 – Other Revenue	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Repairs to infrastructure		
Miscellaneous		
Interest - Bank		
Interest - Investment Fund		
Insurance Recoveries		
Total	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

Note 4 – Administration Expenses	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Accounting Fees		
Administration Fees - Loans		
Administration Fees - Investment Account		
Audit Fees	\$ 5,700.00	\$ 2,800.00
Bank Fees	\$ 182.00	\$ 140.00
Consultancy		
Council Rates	\$ 782.00	\$ 795.00
Donations		
Dues & Subscriptions		
Electricity - Office Building		
Fees for Board Members		
Insurance		
Interest - Loans	\$ 75.00	\$ 150.00
Legal Fees		
Repairs & Maintenance	\$ 31,201.00	\$ 10,308.00
Security		
Stationery & Office Expenses		
Telephone/Internet		
Travel Expenses		
Total	<u>\$ 37,940.00</u>	<u>\$ 14,193.00</u>

BONES KNOB WATER BOARD
Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended 30 June 2024

Note 5 – Supplies and Services	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Electricity Pump Stations	\$ 12,999.00	\$ 9,794.00
Meter Reading Costs		
New Connections		
On Call Costs		
Pipe Locations		
Repairs & Maintenance		
Supply of Water - Breakdown	\$ 4,667.00	
Total	\$ 17,666.00	\$ 9,794.00

BONES KNOB WATER BOARD
Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended 30 June 2024

Note 9 – Cash and Cash Equivalents

	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Cash on Hand		
Cash at Bank	-\$ 5,889.00	\$ 18,304.00
Total	-\$ 5,889.00	\$ 18,304.00

Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include all cash and cheques receipted as at 30 June as well as deposits held at call with financial institutions.

Note 10 – Receivables

	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Trade Debtors	\$ 32,711.00	\$ 31,308.00
GST Clearing Account	\$ 1,570.00	\$ 585.00
Total	\$ 34,281.00	\$ 31,893.00

Receivables

Trade debtors are recognised at the nominal amounts due at the time of sale or service delivery i.e. the agreed purchase/contract price. Settlement terms are within 30 days from invoice date.

The collectability of receivables is assessed periodically.

All known bad debts were written-off as at 30 June 2024.

BONES KNOB WATER BOARD
Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended 30 June 2024

Note 11 – Property, Plant and Equipment and Depreciation Expense

(i) Property Plant and Equipment	2024	2023
Land		
At Fair Value	X	X
Buildings		
At Fair Value		
Less Accumulated Depreciation	(X)	(X)
	-	-
Infrastructure		
At Fair Value	\$ 139,113.00	\$ 139,113.00
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	(X)	(X)
Plant & Equipment		
At cost	\$ 46,844.00	\$ 46,844.00
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	\$ 23,450.00	\$ 20,851.00
Less: Accumulated Impairment losses	(X)	(X)
	23,394.00	25,993.00
Work in Progress		
At cost	X	X
Less: Accumulated Impairment losses	(X)	(X)
	-	-
Total Property, Plant and Equipment	23,394.00	25,993.00

(ii) Property, Plant and Equipment Reconciliation

	Land	Buildings	Infrastruc- ture	Plant & Equipment	Work In Progress
Carrying amount at 1 July 2023				\$ 25,993.00	
Acquisitions (including upgrades)					
Donations received					
Disposals					
Assets reclassified as held for sale					
Donations made					
Transfers between classes					
Revaluation increments/(decrements)					
Impairment losses recognised in Operating					
Impairment losses reversed in Operating					
Impairment losses recognised in Equity					
Impairment losses reversed in Equity					
Depreciation expense				\$ 2,599.00	
Carrying amount at 30 June 2024	-	-	-	23,394.00	-

(iii) Accounting Policy - Recognition and Measurement

Asset Acquisition

Actual cost is used for the initial recording of all non-current physical asset acquisitions. Cost is determined as the value given as consideration plus costs incidental to the acquisition, including all other costs incurred in getting the assets ready for use, including architects' fees and engineering design fees. However, any training costs are expensed as incurred.

Assets acquired at no cost or for nominal consideration, other than from an involuntary transfer from another Queensland government agency, are recognised at their fair value at date of acquisition in accordance with AASB 116, *Property, Plant and Equipment*.

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of GST, except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the Australian Taxation Office. In these circumstances, the GST is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of the asset or as part of an item of expense.

Recognition of Property, Plant and Equipment

Items of property, plant and equipment with a cost or other value equal to or in excess of the following thresholds are recognised for financial reporting purposes in the year of acquisition:

Buildings	\$10,000
Infrastructure	\$10,000
Intangibles	\$100,000
Land	\$1
Plant and Equipment	\$5,000

Items with a lesser value are expensed in the year of acquisition. Expenditure is only capitalised if it increases the service potential or useful life of the existing asset. Maintenance expenditure that merely restores original service potential (arising from ordinary wear and tear) is expensed.

Assets are recognised net of the amount of GST, except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the Australian Taxation Office. In these circumstances, the GST is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of the asset.

Measurement of property, plant and equipment at fair value

Plant and equipment is measured at cost in accordance with the Non-Current Asset Policies. The carrying amounts for plant and equipment at cost approximate their fair value.

Land, buildings and infrastructure assets are measured at fair value in accordance with AASB 116 *Property, Plant and Equipment*, AASB 13 *Fair Value Measurement* and Queensland Treasury's Non-Current Asset Policies for the Queensland Public Sector. These assets are reported at their revalued amounts, being the fair value at the date of valuation, less any subsequent accumulated depreciation and impairment losses where applicable.

Revaluation of property, plant and equipment

Land, buildings and infrastructure measured at fair value are revalued on an annual basis either by appraisals undertaken by an independent professional valuer or internal expert, or by the use of appropriate and relevant indices.

Revaluations using independent professional valuer or internal expert appraisals are undertaken at least once every five years. However, if a particular asset class experiences significant and volatile changes in fair value, that class is subject to specific appraisal in the reporting period, where practicable, regardless of the timing of the last specific appraisal.

Where assets have not been specifically appraised in the reporting period, indices are applied to their previous valuations to ensure their fair values are materially up to date. Relevant indices provided by the Australian Bureau of Statistics, which are publicly available have been applied. The indices used are tested for reasonableness by applying the indices to a sample of assets, comparing the results to similar assets that have been valued by an independent professional valuer or internal expert, and analysing the trend of changes in values over time.

Any revaluation increment arising on the revaluation of an asset is credited to the asset revaluation surplus of the appropriate class, except to the extent it reverses a revaluation decrement for the class previously recognised as an expense. A decrease in the carrying amount on revaluation is charged as an expense, to the extent it exceeds the balance, if any, in the revaluation surplus relating to that asset class.

On revaluation, for assets revalued using a cost valuation approach (e.g. current replacement cost) - accumulated depreciation is adjusted to equal the difference between the gross amount and carrying amount, after taking into account accumulated impairment losses. This is generally referred to as the 'gross method'. For assets revalued using a market or income-based valuation approach - accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses are eliminated against the gross amount of the asset prior to restating for the revaluation. This is generally referred to as the 'net method'.

The cost of land and buildings acquired during the financial year has been judged by management to materially represent their fair value at the end of the reporting period.

Impairment

As a not-for-profit entity, certain property, plant and equipment of the Water Authority are held for the continuing use of its service capacity, and not for the generation of cash flows. Such assets are typically specialised in nature. In accordance with AASB 136, where such assets measured at fair value under AASB 13, that fair value (with no adjustment for disposal costs) is effectively deemed to be the recoverable amount. Consequently, impairment does not apply to such assets unless they are measured at cost.

For all property, plant and equipment and intangible assets to which impairment applies, the Water Authority assesses for indicators of impairment annually. Where indicators exist, impairment is accounted for differently, depending on the type of asset, as follows.

- Plant and equipment and intangible assets, which are measured at cost, are reduced to the asset's recoverable amount, being the higher of the asset's fair value less costs of disposal and its value in use. The adjustment is recorded as an impairment loss.
- For non-specialised property measured at fair value, the only difference between the asset's fair value and its recoverable amount is the costs of disposal. Consequently, the fair value of the asset will materially approximate its recoverable amount where the disposal costs are negligible. Where disposal costs are not negligible, the asset is reduced to its recoverable amount via a revaluation decrement.

Depreciation

Land is not depreciated as it has an unlimited useful life.

Buildings, infrastructure assets and plant and equipment are depreciated on a straight-line basis over their useful lives. The estimation of the useful lives of assets is based on historical experience with similar assets as well as considerations such as manufacturers' warranties, asset turnover practices and the Water Authority's strategic asset plan. Re-assessments of useful lives are undertaken annually by the Water Authority. Any consequential adjustments to remaining useful life estimates are implemented prospectively.

For each class of depreciable asset the following depreciation rates are used:

Class	Rate (%)
Buildings	2-10
Infrastructure	1-33.33
Plant & Equipment	10-20

Any expenditure that increases the originally assessed capacity or service potential of an asset is capitalised and the new depreciable amount is depreciated over the remaining useful life of the asset to the Water Authority.

BONES KNOB WATER BOARD
Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended 30 June 2024

Note 12 – Intangible Assets and Amortisation Expense

	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Water rights purchased	\$ 31,500.00	\$ 31,500.00
Less: accumulated amortisation and impairment losses	(X)	(X)
Total	\$ 31,500.00	\$ 31,500.00

Intangibles

Water rights are infinite life intangible assets capitalised on the basis of actual costs incurred to purchase those rights. As they do not have a finite life they are not amortised.

The Water Authority currently holds several easements, all of which fall below the recognition threshold prescribed by Queensland Treasury's Non-Current Assets Policies for the Qld Public Sector.

Note 13 – Payables

	2024	2023
Trade Creditors	\$ 3,800.00	\$ 3,000.00
Payables to related parties		
Other		
Total	3,800.00	3,000.00

Payables

Trade creditors are recognised upon receipt of the goods or services ordered and are measured at the agreed purchase/contract price, gross of applicable trade and other discounts. Amounts owing are unsecured and are generally settled on 30 day terms.

BONES KNOB WATER BOARD
Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended 30 June 2024

Note 14 – Other Liabilities	2024	2023
Current		
Unearned Revenue		
Loan	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00
Total	3,000.00	3,000.00

ENTITY NAME
Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended 30 June 2024

Note 16 - Fair Value Measurement

What is Fair Value?

Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date under current market conditions (i.e. an exit price) regardless of whether that price is directly derived from observable inputs or estimated using another valuation technique.

Financial assets and liabilities

The carrying amounts of trade receivables and payables approximate their fair value. The Water Authority holds no financial assets or liabilities classified at fair value through profit and loss

Non-Financial Assets - Land and Buildings

The Water Authority's land and buildings are measured at fair value. The fair value measurements take into account a market participant's ability to generate economic benefits by using the asset in its highest and best use.

The valuations maximise the use of relevant observable inputs, and unobservable inputs are used to the extent that sufficient relevant and reliable observable inputs are not available for similar assets.

Observable inputs used by the Water Authority include, but are not limited to, published sales data for land and general office buildings.

Significant unobservable inputs used by the Water Authority include subjective adjustments made to observable data to take account of the characteristics of the Water Authority's assets/liabilities, internal record of recent construction costs (and/or estimates of such costs) for assets' characteristics/functionality, and assessments of physical condition and remaining useful life.

Independent specific appraisals of the Water Authority's infrastructure assets, land and buildings were most recently performed as at DATE by COMPANY using fair value principles. The fair value of land was based on publicly available data on sales of similar land in nearby localities in the six months prior to the date of the revaluation. In determining the values, adjustments were made to the sales data to take into account the location of the land, its size, street/road frontage and access, and any significant restrictions.

The fair value of the Water Authority's buildings was determined based on an average of rental rates per square metre advertised publicly for comparable buildings in similar locations, together with industry-accepted rental multiples for such buildings. Adjustments are made for the age, internal features/design and physical condition of each building being valued. None of the adjustments have a significant impact on the valuations.

The fair value of the Water Authority's infrastructure assets was determined on a current replacement cost basis. Internal records of the original cost are adjusted for contemporary technology and construction approaches. Significant judgement is also used to assess the remaining service potential of the assets, given local climatic and environmental conditions, projected usage, and records of the current condition of the assets.

BONES KNOB WATER BOARD
Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended 30 June 2024

Note 17 - Financial Instruments	2024	2023
	\$	\$
<i>Financial Assets</i>		
Cash and cash equivalents	-\$ 5,889.00	\$ 18,304.00
Loans and Receivables at amortised cost	\$ 34,281.00	\$ 31,893.00
Total	\$ 28,392.00	\$ 50,197.00
	2024	2023
	\$	\$
<i>Financial Liabilities</i>		
Loans payable at amortised cost	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00
Total	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00

Financial Instruments

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognised in the Balance Sheet when the Water Authority becomes party to the contractual provisions of the financial instrument.

BONES KNOB WATER BOARD
Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended 30 June 2024

Note 18 - Key Management Personnel (KMP) Disclosures

Details of Key Management Personnel

The following details for key management personnel include those Water Authority positions that had authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of the Water Authority during 2023-24 and 2022-23.

Position	Position Responsibility
Chairperson	The strategic leadership, guidance and effective oversight of the management of the Board, including its operational and financial performance.
Board Member	Responsible for the strategic leadership and direction of the Board.
Secretary	Responsible for the efficient and effective financial administration of the Board.

Remuneration Expenses

Board members receive payment for attendance at Board Meetings and Special Assignments where they attend a meeting or conference on behalf of the Water Authority.

Category 2 Water Authorities		
Position	Meetings more than four hours duration	Meetings fewer than four hours duration
Chairperson	\$390	\$195
Director / Member	\$300	\$150

The chairperson and directors are entitled to be paid allowances while travelling on approved business and attending meetings in accordance with the following arrangements:

- economy class air travel;
- motor vehicle allowances prescribed in Motor Vehicle Allowances Directive No. 20/16; and
- travelling expenses prescribed in Domestic Travelling and Relieving Expenses Directive No 01/23.

	2024	2023
Directors		
Trustee		
Member		
Secretaries		
Total	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

Note 19 - Related Party Transactions

In April 2019 the Board borrowed \$13,000 from Mr D Wareham.
This loan is due to be paid in full on or before the 30th April, 2024
Interest is payable at the rate of 2.5% per annum.

Amounts due to be repaid within twelve months of balance date are shown as current liabilities with the remaining balance being shown as non-currents (refer note 14)

BONES KNOB WATER BOARD
Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended 30 June 2024

Note 20 - Commitments	2024	2023
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There are no contracts at the 30th June 2024

Note 21 - Contingencies

There are no contingencies at 30 June 2024.

Note 22 - Events occurring after balance date

Nothing has occurred since balance date that would impact the final statements.

Note 23 - Climate related risk disclosure

The State of Queensland, as the ultimate parent of the Water Authority, has published a wide range of information and resources on climate related risks, strategies and actions accessible via <https://www.energyandclimate.qld.gov.au/climate>

The Queensland Sustainability Report (QSR) outlines how the Queensland Government measures, monitors and manages sustainability risks and opportunities, including governance structures supporting policy oversight and implementation. To demonstrate progress, the QSR also provides time series data on key sustainability policy responses. The QSR is available via Queensland Treasury's website at <https://www.treasury.qld.gov.au/programs-and-policies/queensland-sustainability-report>

No adjustments to the carrying value of assets held by the Water Authority were recognised during the financial year as a result of climate-related risks impacting current accounting estimates and judgements. No other transactions have been recognised during the financial year specifically due to climate-related risks impacting the Water Authority.

BONES KNOB WATER BOARD
Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended 30 June 2024

MANAGEMENT CERTIFICATE OF BONES KNOB WATER BOARD

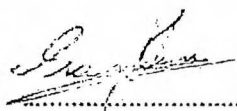
These general purpose financial statements have been prepared pursuant to s.62(1)(a) of the *Financial Accountability Act 2009* (the Act), s.39 of the *Financial and Performance Management Standard 2019* and other prescribed requirements. In accordance with s.62 (1)(b) of the Act we certify that in our opinion:

- a) the prescribed requirements for establishing and keeping the accounts have been complied with in all material respects; and
- b) the financial statements have been drawn up to present a true and fair view, in accordance with prescribed accounting standards, of the transactions of the Water Authority for the period ended 30 June 2024 and of the financial position of the Water Authority as at the end of that period; and

We acknowledge responsibility under s.7 and s.11 of the *Financial and Performance Management Standard 2019* for the establishment and maintenance, in all material respects, of an appropriate and effective system of internal controls and risk management processes with respect to financial reporting throughout the reporting period.

Graeme J Turner - Secretary

Darryl Wareham - Chairman


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28th July 2024


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28th July 2024

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Bones Knob Water Board

Report on the audit of the financial report

Qualified opinion

I have audited the accompanying financial report of Bones Knob Water Board.

The financial report comprises the balance sheet as at 30 June 2024, the statement of comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the year then ended, notes to the financial statements including material accounting policy information, and the management certificate

In my opinion, except for the possible effects of the matters described in the *Basis for qualified opinion* section of my report, the financial report:

- a) gives a true and fair view of the entity's financial position as at 30 June 2024, and its financial performance and cash flows for the year then ended
- b) complies with the *Financial Accountability Act 2009*, the Financial and Performance Management Standard 2019 and Australian Accounting Standards – Simplified Disclosures.

Basis for qualified opinion

Bones Knob Water Board has been unable to provide sufficient appropriate evidence to confirm the existence of its property plant and equipment, that all assets controlled by the Board have been recorded, and that the carrying values of property, plant and equipment were in accordance with either the cost model or revaluation model options available under AASB 116 *Property, Plant and Equipment*. As a consequence, Bones Knob Water Board is unable to demonstrate that the carrying value of property, plant and equipment of \$23 394 (2023: \$25 993) as recorded in Note 11 and the depreciation expense of \$2 599 (2023: \$2 888) recorded in Note 11 are reliable.

In addition, Bones Knob Water Board has been unable to provide sufficient appropriate evidence to confirm the existence of its intangible assets, that all intangible assets controlled by the Board have been recorded, and that the carrying value of intangible assets were in accordance with AASB 138 *Intangible Assets*. As a consequence, Bones Knob Water Board is unable to demonstrate that the carrying value of intangible assets of \$31 500 (2023: \$31 500) as recorded in Note 12 is reliable.

In addition, Bones Knob Water Board has been unable to provide sufficient appropriate audit evidence to demonstrate that all trade debtors recorded at 30 June 2024 are able to be fully collected. As a consequence, Bones Knob Water Board is unable to demonstrate that the carrying value of trade debtors of \$32 711 (2023: \$31 308) as recorded in Note 10 is reliable.

Accordingly, the evidence available to me was limited and I was unable to satisfy myself using alternative procedures. I am unable to determine whether any adjustments to these amounts are necessary. I do not express an opinion on the:

- existence, completeness and valuation of property, plant and equipment
- existence and valuation of intangible assets
- valuation of trade debtors at 30 June 2024.

The impact of these matters on the financial report is unable to be quantified due to the absence of reliable data.

I conducted my audit in accordance with the *Auditor-General Auditing Standards*, which incorporate the Australian Auditing Standards. My responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report* section of my report.

I am independent of the entity in accordance with the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including independence standards)* (the Code) that are relevant to my audit of the financial report in Australia. I have also fulfilled my other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code and the *Auditor-General Auditing Standards*.

I believe that the audit evidence I have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my qualified opinion.

Responsibilities of the entity for the financial report

The Board is responsible for the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view in accordance with the *Financial Accountability Act 2009*, the Financial and Performance Management Standard 2019 and Australian Accounting Standards – Simplified Disclosures, and for such internal control as the Board determines is necessary to enable the preparation of the financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

The Board is also responsible for assessing the entity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters relating to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless it is intended to abolish the entity or to otherwise cease operations.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial report

My objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes my opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of this financial report.

A further description of my responsibilities for the audit of the financial report is located at the Auditing and Assurance Standards Board website at:

https://www.auasb.gov.au/auditors_responsibilities/ar4.pdf

This description forms part of my auditor's report.

Report on other legal and regulatory requirements

Statement

In accordance with s.40 of the *Auditor-General Act 2009*, except for the matters described in the *Basis of qualified opinion* section of my report, for the year ended 30 June 2024:

- a) I received all the information and explanations I required.
- b) I consider that, the prescribed requirements in relation to the establishment and keeping of accounts were complied with in all material respects.

Prescribed requirements scope

The prescribed requirements for the establishment and keeping of accounts are contained in the *Financial Accountability Act 2009*, any other Act and the Financial and Performance Management Standard 2019. The applicable requirements include those for keeping financial records that correctly record and explain the entity's transactions and account balances to enable the preparation of a true and fair financial report.



Lisa Fraser
as delegate of the Auditor-General

24 September 2024
Queensland Audit Office
Brisbane

FERNLEE WATER AUTHORITY

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the Year Ended 30 June 2024

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Fernlee Water Authority
Statement of Comprehensive Income
For the Year Ended 30 June 2024

OPERATING RESULT	Notes	2024 \$	2023 \$
Income from Continuing Operations			
User charges and fees	2	86,818.56	82,417.66
Other Revenue	3	3,228.14	2,403.10
Total Income from Continuing Operations		<u>\$ 90,046.70</u>	<u>\$ 84,820.76</u>
Expenses from Continuing Operations			
Administration Expenses	4	45,335.22	44,515.41
Total Expenses from Continuing Operations		<u>\$ 45,335.22</u>	<u>\$ 44,515.41</u>
Operating Result from Continuing Operations		<u>\$ 44,711.48</u>	<u>\$ 40,305.35</u>
Operating Result for the Year		<u>\$ 44,711.48</u>	<u>\$ 40,305.35</u>
Total Comprehensive Income		<u>\$ 44,711.48</u>	<u>\$ 40,305.35</u>

The accompanying notes form part of these statements.

Fernlee Water Authority
Statement of Changes in Equity
For the Year Ended 30 June 2024

	Accumulated Surplus/Deficit \$	TOTAL \$
Balance as at 1 July 2022	2,213,032.48	\$ 2,213,032.48
Total Comprehensive Income	40,305.35	40,305.35
Balance as at 30 June 2023	<u>\$ 2,253,337.83</u>	<u>\$ 2,253,337.83</u>
Balance as at 1 July 2023	\$ 2,253,337.83	\$ 2,253,337.83
Total Comprehensive Income	44,711.48	44,711.48
Balance as at 30 June 2024	<u>\$ 2,298,049.31</u>	<u>\$ 2,298,049.31</u>

The accompanying notes form part of these statements.

Fernlee Water Authority
Balance Sheet
As at 30 June 2024

	Notes	2024 \$	2023 \$
Current Assets			
Cash and Cash Equivalents	5	77,191.73	97,091.02
Receivables	6	9,459.30	685.49
Other Current Assets	7	2,854.48	2,615.74
Total Current Assets		<u>\$ 89,505.51</u>	<u>\$ 100,392.25</u>
Non Current Assets			
Property, plant and equipment	8	2,534,836.43	2,534,836.43
Total Non Current Assets		<u>\$ 2,534,836.43</u>	<u>\$ 2,534,836.43</u>
Total Assets		<u>\$ 2,624,341.94</u>	<u>\$ 2,635,228.68</u>
Current Liabilities			
Payables	9	8,496.50	5,662.75
Other Liabilities	10(i)	59,605.05	59,289.39
Total Current Liabilities		<u>\$ 68,101.55</u>	<u>\$ 64,952.14</u>
Non Current Liabilities			
Other Liabilities	10(ii)	258,191.08	316,938.71
Total Non-Current Liabilities		<u>\$ 258,191.08</u>	<u>\$ 316,938.71</u>
Total Liabilities		<u>\$ 326,292.63</u>	<u>\$ 381,890.85</u>
Net Assets (Liabilities)		<u>\$ 2,298,049.31</u>	<u>\$ 2,253,337.83</u>
Equity			
Accumulated Surplus		\$ 2,298,049.31	\$ 2,253,337.83
Total Equity		<u>\$ 2,298,049.31</u>	<u>\$ 2,253,337.83</u>

The accompanying notes form part of these statements.

Fernlee Water Authority
Statement of Cash Flows
For the Year Ended 30 June 2024

	Note	2024 \$	2023 \$
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
<i>Inflows:</i>			
User charges and fees		75,455.47	85,990.50
Other Revenue		3,187.32	2,239.02
GST input tax credits from ATO		1,275.00	1,442.00
<i>Outflows:</i>			
Administrative expenses		(42,724.15)	(46,824.11)
GST paid to suppliers		(1,904.06)	(1,851.28)
GST paid to ATO		(35.00)	(22.00)
Net cash provided by / (used in) operating activities		<u>\$ 35,254.58</u>	<u>\$ 40,974.13</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES			
<i>Outflows:</i>			
Loan repayments made		(55,153.87)	(51,640.29)
Net cash provided by / (used in) financing activities		<u>\$ (55,153.87)</u>	<u>\$ (51,640.29)</u>
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		<u>\$ (19,899.29)</u>	<u>\$ (10,666.16)</u>
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of financial year	5	<u>\$ 97,091.02</u>	<u>\$ 107,757.18</u>
Cash and Cash equivalents at end of financial year	5	<u>\$ 77,191.73</u>	<u>\$ 97,091.02</u>

The accompanying notes form part of these statements.

Fernlee Water Authority
Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended 30 June 2024

Note 1 – Basis of Financial Statement Preparation

(a) General Information about the Reporting Entity

These financial statements cover the Fernlee Water Authority (Water Authority). The Water Authority is a not-for-profit statutory body constituted under the *Water Act 2000*. The Water Authority does not control other entities. The financial statements are for the Water Authority as an individual entity.

The objective of the water authority is to supply rural water in an economically and socially equitable manner while maintaining all financial obligations. The principal place of business of the water authority is 9680 Balonne Highway, Bollon, Queensland.

(b) Authorisation of Financial Statements for Issue

The financial statements are authorised for issue by the Chairperson and Secretary at the date of signing the Management Certificate.

(c) Compliance with Prescribed Requirements

The financial statements have been prepared in compliance with the *Financial Accountability Act 2009* and the *Financial and Performance Management Standard 2019*.

These general purpose financial statements are prepared in accordance with the disclosure requirements of Australian Accounting Standards - Simplified Disclosures. The financial statements comply with the recognition and measurement requirements of all Australian Accounting Standards and Interpretations applicable to not-for-profit entities, and the presentation requirements in those standards as modified by AASB 1060.

(d) Underlying Measurement Basis

The financial statements are prepared on an accrual basis, with the exception of the statement of cash flows which is prepared on a cash basis.

The historical cost convention is used as the measurement basis.

(e) Presentation Matters

Currency and Rounding

Amounts included in the financial statements are in Australian dollars.

Comparatives

Comparative information reflects the audited 2022-23 financial statements.

Current/Non-Current Classification

Assets are classified as 'current' where their carrying amount is expected to be realised within 12 months after the reporting date. Liabilities are classified as 'current' when they are due to be settled within 12 months after the reporting date, or the Board does not have an unconditional right to defer settlement to beyond 12 months after the reporting date. All other assets and liabilities are classified as non-current.

Fernlee Water Authority
Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended 30 June 2024

Note 1 – Basis of Financial Statement Preparation (continued)

(f) Taxation

The Water Authority is exempted from income tax under the *Income Tax Assessment Act 1936* and is exempted from other forms of Commonwealth taxation with the exception of Fringe Benefits Tax (FBT) and Goods and Services Tax (GST).

Receivables and payables in the Balance Sheet are shown inclusive of GST. GST credits receivable from, and GST payable to, the ATO at reporting date are separately recognised in receivables within Note 6 and in payables within Note 9.

(g) New and Revised Accounting Standards

First time mandatory application of Australian Accounting Standards and Interpretations

No new accounting standards were applied for the first time during the 2023-24 financial year.

Early Adoption of Australian Accounting Standards and Interpretations

No accounting pronouncements were early adopted in the 2023-24 financial year.

Voluntary Changes in Accounting Policy

No voluntary changes in accounting policies occurred during the 2023-24 financial year.

Note 2 – User Charges and fees

	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Rates & Charges	\$ 86,818.56	\$ 82,417.66

Rates & Charges

Revenue from receipt of rates and other charges, or rendering of a service is recognised when the revenue is earned and can be measured reliably with a sufficient degree of certainty. Other revenue is recognised when the right to receive the revenue has been established.

Note 3 – Other Revenue

	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Interest - Bank	74.64	64.13
Interest - Investment Fund	3,153.50	2,338.97
Total	\$ 3,228.14	\$ 2,403.10

Fernlee Water Authority
Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended 30 June 2024

Note 4 – Administration Expenses	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Accounting Fees	5,600.00	3,470.00
Administration Fees - Loans	401.77	462.64
Administration Fees - Investment Account	77.62	107.15
Audit Fees	3,400.00	3,700.00
Bad Debts	-	1,242.36
Fees for Board Members	6,181.82	6,318.18
Insurance	3,199.83	2,934.20
Interest - Loans	22,785.10	26,237.83
Legal Fees	3,551.46	-
Licence Fees	92.01	-
Postage & Freight	44.55	42.73
Sundry	1.06	0.32
Total	\$ 45,335.22	\$ 44,515.41

Note 5 – Cash and Cash Equivalents	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Cash at Bank	\$ 77,191.73	\$ 97,091.02

Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include all cash and cheques receipted as at 30 June 2024 as well as deposits held at call with financial institutions.

Note 6 – Receivables	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Trade Debtors	8,084.99	-
Interest Income	255.31	214.49
Overpayment	20.00	-
GST Clearing Account	1,099.00	471.00
Total	\$ 9,459.30	\$ 685.49

Receivables

Trade debtors are recognised at the nominal amounts due at the time of sale or service delivery i.e. the agreed purchase/contract price. Settlement terms are within 30 days from invoice date.

The collectability of receivables is assessed periodically.

All known bad debts were written-off as at 30 June 2024.

Fernlee Water Authority
Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended 30 June 2024

Note 7 – Other Current Assets	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Prepayments	\$ 2,854.48	\$ 2,615.74

Other current assets

Prepayments are amounts paid for goods and services with the benefits to be received within 12 months after the balance date. The amounts are recognised at its cost.

Note 8 – Property, Plant and Equipment and Depreciation Expense

(i) Property Plant and Equipment	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Infrastructure		
At cost	\$ 2,518,611.07	\$ 2,518,611.07
Plant & Equipment		
At cost	\$ 16,225.36	\$ 16,225.36
Total Property, Plant and Equipment	\$ 2,534,836.43	\$ 2,534,836.43

(ii) Property, Plant and Equipment Reconciliation

	Infrastruc- ture	Plant & Equipment	Total
	\$	\$	
Carrying amount at 1 July 2023	\$ 2,518,611.07	\$ 16,225.36	\$ 2,534,836.43
Carrying amount at 30 June 2024	\$ 2,518,611.07	\$ 16,225.36	\$ 2,534,836.43

(iii) Accounting Policy - Recognition and Measurement

Asset Acquisition

Actual cost is used for the initial recording of all non-current physical asset acquisitions. Cost is determined as the value given as consideration plus costs incidental to the acquisition, including all other costs incurred in getting the assets ready for use, including architects' fees and engineering design fees. However, any training costs are expensed as incurred.

Assets acquired at no cost or for nominal consideration, other than from an involuntary transfer from another Queensland government agency, are recognised at their fair value at date of acquisition in accordance with AASB 116, *Property, Plant and Equipment*.

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of GST, except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the Australian Taxation Office. In these circumstances, the GST is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of the asset or as part of an item of expense.

Fernlee Water Authority
Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended 30 June 2024

Note 8 – Property, Plant and Equipment and Depreciation Expense (continued)
(iii) Accounting Policy - Recognition and Measurement (continued)

Recognition of Property, Plant and Equipment

Items of property, plant and equipment with a cost or other value equal to or in excess of the following thresholds are recognised for financial reporting purposes in the year of acquisition:

Buildings / Infrastructure	\$	10,000
Land	\$	1
Plant and Equipment	\$	5,000

Items with a lesser value are expensed in the year of acquisition. Expenditure is only capitalised if it increases the service potential or useful life of the existing asset. Maintenance expenditure that merely restores original service potential (arising from ordinary wear and tear) is expensed.

Assets are recognised net of the amount of GST, except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the Australian Taxation Office. In these circumstances, the GST is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of the asset.

Depreciation

Land is not depreciated as it has an unlimited useful life.

Buildings, infrastructure assets and plant and equipment have not been depreciated.

Note 9 – Payables	2024	2023
	\$	\$
GST refund over-claimed	-	35.00
Accrued Accounting Fees	5,090.00	2,420.00
Accrued Administration Fees -		
Investment Funds	6.50	7.75
Accrued Audit Fees	3,400.00	3,200.00
Total	\$ 8,496.50	\$ 5,662.75

Payables

Trade creditors are recognised upon receipt of the goods or services ordered and are measured at the agreed purchase/contract price, gross of applicable trade and other discounts. Amounts owing are unsecured and are generally settled on 30 day terms.

Fernlee Water Authority
Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended 30 June 2024

Note 10 – Other Liabilities

	2024	2023
	\$	\$
(i) Current liabilities		
Unearned revenue	-	3,278.10
Loan	59,605.05	56,011.29
Total	\$ 59,605.05	\$ 59,289.39
(ii) Non-current liabilities		
Loan	\$ 258,191.08	\$ 316,938.71

(iii) Loan Current and Non-current Balances

	Current	Non-current	Total
Loan - Queensland Treasury Corporation #80986	59,605.05	258,191.08	\$ 317,796.13

Note 11 - Fair Value Measurement

What is Fair Value?

Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date under current market conditions (i.e. an exit price) regardless of whether that price is directly derived from observable inputs or estimated using another valuation technique.

Financial assets and liabilities

The carrying amounts of trade receivables and payables approximate their fair value. The Water Authority holds no financial assets or liabilities classified at fair value through profit and loss.

Note 12 - Key Management Personnel (KMP) Disclosures

Details of Key Management Personnel

The following details for key management personnel include those Water Authority positions that had authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of the Water Authority during 2022-23 and 2023-24 financial years.

Position	Position Responsibility
Chairperson	The strategic leadership, guidance and effective oversight of the management of the Board, including its operational and financial performance.
Directors	Responsible for the strategic leadership and direction of the Board.
Secretary	Responsible for the efficient and effective financial administration of the Board.

Fernlee Water Authority
Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended 30 June 2024

Note 12 - Key Management Personnel (KMP) Disclosures (continued)

Remuneration Expenses

The Board members did not enforce the payment of their entitlements for attendance at board meetings, special assignments or travelling allowances. The Board did pay remuneration to the Directors filling the positions of Chairperson and Treasurer and to the Secretary.

	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Chairperson	2,000.00	2,000.00
Treasurer	2,000.00	2,500.00
Secretary	2,181.82	1,818.18

Note 13 - Related Party Transactions

Related party transactions occurred with the Directors and Secretary of the Board, as they are or are related to, the ratepayers of the Authority. These transactions were undertaken on the same terms as non-related ratepayers.

Note 14 - Commitments

There are no commitments at reporting date.

Note 15 - Contingencies

There are no contingencies at reporting date.

Note 16 - Going concern

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis.

It has been resolved by the Authority to initiate the dissolution of Fernlee Water Authority for the transition to a Closed Water Activity Agreement.

Note 17 - Events occurring after balance date

The dissolution of the Water Authority referred to in Note 16 has progressed with all ratepayers executing Closed Water Activity Agreements and these lodged with the Dept of Local Government, Water and Volunteers by January 2025. The loan from Queensland Treasury Corporation was fully repaid in January 2025.

Fernlee Water Authority
Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended 30 June 2024

Note 18 - Climate related risk disclosure

The State of Queensland, as the ultimate parent on the Water Authority, has published a wide range of information and resources on climate change risks, strategies and actions (<https://www.qld.gov.au/environment/climate/climate-change>) including the following key whole-of-Government publications:

- Climate Action Plan 2020-2030 (<https://www.des.qld.gov.au/climateaction>)
- Queensland Energy and Jobs Plan (<https://www.epw.qld.gov.au/energyandjobsplan>)
- Climate Adaptation Strategy (<https://www.qld.gov.au/environment/climate/climate-change/adapting/strategy>)
- Queensland Sustainability Report (<https://www.treasury.qld.gov.au/programs-andpolicies/esq/>)

No adjustments to the carrying value of assets were recognised during the financial year as a result of climate-related risks impacting current accounting estimates and judgements. No other transactions have been recognised during the financial year specifically due to climate-related risks impacting the Water Authority.

Fernlee Water Authority
Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended 30 June 2024

MANAGEMENT CERTIFICATE OF FERNLEE WATER AUTHORITY

These general purpose financial statements have been prepared pursuant to s.62(1)(a) of the *Financial Accountability Act 2009* (the Act), s.39 of the *Financial and Performance Management Standard 2019* and other prescribed requirements. In accordance with s.62(1)(b) of the Act we certify that in our opinion:

- a) the prescribed requirements for establishing and keeping the accounts have been complied with in all material respects; and
- b) the financial statements have been drawn up to present a true and fair view, in accordance with prescribed accounting standards, of the transactions of the Water Authority for the period ended 30 June 2024 and of the financial position of the Water Authority as at the end of that period; and

We acknowledge responsibility under s.7 and s.11 of the *Financial and Performance Management Standard 2019* for the establishment and maintenance, in all material respects, of an appropriate and effective system of internal controls and risk management processes with respect to financial reporting throughout the reporting period.



Tiffany Larkin, Secretary
Fernlee Water Authority
7 December 2024



Alan Browning, Chairperson
Fernlee Water Authority
7 December 2024

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Fernlee Water Authority

Report on the audit of the financial report

Qualified opinion

I have audited the accompanying financial report of Fernlee Water Authority.

The financial report comprises the balance sheet as at 30 June 2024, the statement of comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the year then ended, notes to the financial statements including material accounting policy information, and the management certificate.

In my opinion, except for the possible effects of the matters described in the *Basis for qualified opinion* section of my report, the financial report:

- a) gives a true and fair view of the entity's financial position as at 30 June 2024, and its financial performance and cash flows for the year then ended
- b) complies with the *Financial Accountability Act 2009*, the Financial and Performance Management Standard 2019 and Australian Accounting Standards – Simplified Disclosures.

Basis for qualified opinion

Sufficient appropriate evidence has not been presented by Fernlee Water Authority to confirm the existence of its property plant and equipment, that all assets controlled by the board have been recorded, or that the carrying values of property, plant and equipment were in accordance with either the cost model or revaluation model options available under *AASB 116 Property, Plant and Equipment*. As a consequence, sufficient and appropriate audit evidence has not been presented by Fernlee Water Authority to demonstrate that the carrying value of property, plant and equipment of \$2,534,836.43 (2023: \$2,534,836.43) as recorded in Note 8 is reliable, along with the absence of an accumulated depreciation balance as at 30 June 2024 and 30 June 2023, and depreciation expense for the year ended 30 June 2024 and 30 June 2023. The impact of these matters on the financial report is unable to be quantified due to the absence of reliable data.

I conducted my audit in accordance with the *Auditor-General Auditing Standards*, which incorporate the Australian Auditing Standards. My responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report* section of my report.

I am independent of the entity in accordance with the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's *APES 110 Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including independence standards)* (the Code) that are relevant to my audit of the financial report in Australia. I have also fulfilled my other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code and the *Auditor-General Auditing Standards*.

I believe that the audit evidence I have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my qualified opinion.

Emphasis of matter – proposed dissolution of the Authority

I draw attention to Note 16 and 17 of the financial report, which describes the Board's intention to dissolve the Authority and transfer its assets and liabilities at their respective carrying values to a Closed Water Activity Agreement, subject to approval by the Minister for Local Government, Water and Volunteers. As a result, this financial report has been prepared on a basis consistent with a going concern basis. My opinion is not further modified in respect of this matter.

Responsibilities of the Board for the financial report

The Board is responsible for the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view in accordance with the *Financial Accountability Act 2009*, the Financial and Performance Management Standard 2019 and Australian Accounting Standards – Simplified Disclosures, and for such internal control as the Board determines is necessary to enable the preparation of the financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

The Board is also responsible for assessing the entity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters relating to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless it is intended to abolish the entity or to otherwise cease operations.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial report

My objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes my opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of this financial report.

A further description of my responsibilities for the audit of the financial report is located at the Auditing and Assurance Standards Board website at:

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This description forms part of my auditor's report.

Report on other legal and regulatory requirements

Statement

In accordance with s.40 of the *Auditor-General Act 2009*, except for the matters described in the *Basis for qualified opinion* section of my report, for the year ended 30 June 2024:

- a) I received all the information and explanations I required.
- b) I consider that, the prescribed requirements in relation to the establishment and keeping of accounts were complied with in all material respects.

Prescribed requirements scope

The prescribed requirements for the establishment and keeping of accounts are contained in the *Financial Accountability Act 2009*, any other Act and the Financial and Performance Management Standard 2019. The applicable requirements include those for keeping financial records that correctly record and explain the entity's transactions and account balances to enable the preparation of a true and fair financial report.



Lisa Fraser
as delegate of the Auditor-General

21 February 2025

Queensland Audit Office
Brisbane



GLAMORGAN VALE WATER BOARD FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 2023 - 2024

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General Information

These financial statements cover the Glamorgan Vale Water Board (GVWB)

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GLAMORGAN VALE WATER BOARD
STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME
For the year ended 30 June 2024



	Notes	2024 \$	2023 \$
Income from Continuing Operations			
Rates & Excess Water Charges	2	547,375	500,507
Meter Fees & Charges	3	1,828	14,905
Other Revenue	4	74,793	9,554
Total Income from Continuing Operations		623,996	524,966
Expenses from Continuing Operations			
Administration Expenses	5	104,035	106,438
Employee Expenses	6	112,269	106,241
Supplies and Services	7	352,428	275,209
Depreciation	8	139,760	134,980
Revaluation Decrement		-	-
Other Expenses		-	-
Total Expenses from Continuing Operations		708,492	622,868
Operating Result from Continuing Operations		(84,496)	(97,902)
Operating Result for the Year		(84,496)	(97,902)
Other Comprehensive Income			
<u>Items Not Recyclable to Operating Result:</u>			
Increase (decrease) in asset revaluation surplus		56,460	275,437
<u>Total Items Not Recyclable to Operating Result</u>		<u>56,460</u>	<u>275,437</u>
Total other Comprehensive Income		56,460	275,437
Total Comprehensive Income		(28,036)	177,535

The accompanying notes form part of these statements.

GLAMORGAN VALE WATER BOARD
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
As at 30 June 2024



	Notes	2024 \$	2023 \$
Current Assets			
Cash and Cash Equivalents	9	152,160	86,443
Receivables	10	25,251	35,166
Inventories	11	11,364	11,364
Other	12	8,373	5,766
Total Current Assets		<u>197,148</u>	<u>138,739</u>
Non Current Assets			
Property, plant and equipment	13	3,845,659	3,928,960
Total Non Current Assets		<u>3,845,659</u>	<u>3,928,960</u>
Total Assets		<u>4,042,807</u>	<u>4,067,699</u>
Current Liabilities			
Payables	14	31,260	5,809
Accrued employee benefits	15	23,001	22,414
Other current liabilities	16	35,662	38,334
Total Current Liabilities		<u>89,923</u>	<u>66,557</u>
Non Current Liabilities			
Accrued employee benefits	15	9,988	7,560
Other non current liabilities	17	150,961	173,611
Total Non-Current Liabilities		<u>160,949</u>	<u>181,171</u>
Total Liabilities		<u>250,872</u>	<u>247,728</u>
Net Assets (Liabilities)		<u>3,791,935</u>	<u>3,819,971</u>
Equity			
Accumulated Surplus		1,766,961	1,851,457
Asset revaluation surplus	18	2,024,974	1,968,514
Total Equity		<u>3,791,935</u>	<u>3,819,971</u>

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY
For the year ended 30 June 2024



	Accumulated Surplus/Deficit	Asset Revaluation Surplus (Note 18)	Total
	\$	\$	\$
Balance as at 1 July 2022	1,949,359	1,693,077	3,642,436
Operating result from continuing operations	(97,902)	-	(97,902)
Other Comprehensive Income			
- Increase/(Decrease) in Asset revaluation surplus	-	275,437	275,437
<i>Total Comprehensive Income for the Year</i>	(97,902)	275,437	177,535
Balance as at 30 June 2023	1,851,457	1,968,514	3,819,971
Balance as at 1 July 2023	1,851,457	1,968,514	3,819,971
Operating result from continuing operations	(84,496)	-	(84,496)
Other Comprehensive Income	-		-
-Increase/(Decrease) in Asset revaluation surplus		56,460	56,460
<i>Total Comprehensive Income for the Year</i>	(84,496)	56,460	(28,036)
Balance as at 30 June 2024	1,766,961	2,024,974	3,791,935

The accompanying notes form part of these statements.

GLAMORGAN VALE WATER BOARD
STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
For the year ended 30 June 2024



	Notes	2024 \$	2023 \$
Cash Flows from operating activities			
<i>Inflows:</i>			
User charges and fees		623,759	517,199
Interest Received		4,093	2,836
GST input tax credits from ATO		42,037	32,194
GST collected from customers		7,040	660
<i>Outflows:</i>			
Interest Paid		(4,770)	(5,242)
Employee Expenses		(109,254)	(95,362)
Supplies and Services		(428,849)	(377,695)
GST paid to suppliers		(40,672)	(33,729)
GST remitted to ATO		(5,510)	(640)
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities		87,874	40,221
Cash flows from investing activities			
<i>Inflows:</i>			
Proceeds from sale of property, plant and equipment		-	3,000
<i>Outflows:</i>			
Payments for property, plant and equipment		-	(5,750)
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities		-	(2,750)
Cash flows from financing activities			
<i>Inflows:</i>			
Borrowings		-	-
<i>Outflows:</i>			
Loan repayments made		(22,158)	(21,658)
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities		(22,158)	(21,658)
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		65,717	15,813
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of financial year		86,443	70,630
Cash and Cash equivalents at end of financial year	9	152,160	86,443

The accompanying notes form part of these statements.

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1. Basis of Financial Statement Preparation

(a) Compliance with Prescribed Requirements

The financial statements have been prepared in compliance with the *Financial Accountability Act 2009* and the *Financial and Performance Management Standard 2019*.

The financial statements are general purpose financial statements and have been prepared on an accrual basis, (with the exception of the statement of cash flows which is prepared on a cash basis), in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards - Simplified Disclosure Requirements.

With respect to compliance with Australian Accounting Standards and Interpretations, Glamorgan Vale Water Board has applied those requirements applicable to not-for-profit entities, and the presentation requirements in those standards as modified by AASB 1060, as Glamorgan Vale Water Board is a not-for-profit public sector entity.

(b) The Reporting Entity

Glamorgan Vale Water Board is a non-for-profit Statutory Body established under the Water Act 2000. It does not control other entities. The Financial Statements include the value of all income, expenses, assets, liabilities and equity for the Glamorgan Vale Water Board as an individual entity.

The head office and principal place of business of the water authority is 694 Glamorgan Vale Road, Glamorgan Vale QLD 4306.

The objectives of the Glamorgan Vale Water Board are to provide reticulated non-potable water for stock and domestic use to the landholders within its Gazetted Area.

(c) Underlying Measurement Basis

The historical cost convention is used, except for infrastructure assets, land and buildings which are measured at value.

(d) Rates & Charges, Meter Fees & Charges and Other Revenue

Revenue from receipt of rates and other charges, or rendering of a service is recognised when the revenue is earned and can be measured reliably with a sufficient degree of certainty. Other revenue is recognised when the right to receive the revenue has been established.

Grants contributions, donations and gifts arise from transactions that are non-reciprocal in nature (i.e. do not require any goods or services to be provided in return). Where the grant agreement is enforceable and contains sufficiently specific performance obligations for the water authority to transfer goods or services to a third-party on the grantor's behalf, the grant is accounted for under AASB 15 Revenue from Contracts with Customer. In this case, revenue is initially deferred as unearned revenue (contract liability) and recognised as or when the performance obligations are satisfied.

Otherwise, the grant or donation is accounted for under AASB 1058 Income of Not-for-Profit Entities, whereby revenue is recognised upon receipt of the grant funding.

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(e) Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include all cash and cheques receipted as at 30 June 2024 as well as deposits held at call with financial institutions.

(f) Receivables

Trade debtors are recognised at the nominal amounts due at the time of sale or service delivery i.e. the rated billing period. Settlement of these amounts is required within 30 days from invoice date.

The collectability of receivables is assessed periodically with provision being made for impairment.

All known bad debts were written-off as at 30 June 2024.

(g) Acquisitions of Assets

Actual cost is used for the initial recording of all non-current physical asset acquisitions. Cost is determined as the value given as consideration plus costs incidental to the acquisition, including all other costs incurred in getting the assets ready for use, including architects' fees and engineering design fees. However, any training costs are expensed as incurred.

Where assets are received free of charge from another Queensland public sector entity (usually via an involuntary transfer), the acquisition cost is recognised as the gross carrying amount in the books of the transferor immediately prior to the transfer together with any accumulated depreciation.

Assets acquired at no cost or for nominal consideration, other than from an involuntary transfer from another Queensland government agency, are recognised at their fair value at date of acquisition in accordance with AASB 116, *Property, Plant and Equipment*.

(h) Recognition Thresholds for Property, Plant and Equipment

Items of property, plant and equipment with a cost or other value equal to or in excess of the following thresholds are recognised for financial reporting purposes in the year of acquisition.

Buildings	\$10,000
Infrastructure	\$10,000
Intangibles (Other)	\$100,000
Land	\$1
Plant and Equipment	\$5,000

Items with a lesser value are expensed in the year of acquisition.

Expenditure is only capitalised if it increases the service potential or useful life of the existing asset. Maintenance expenditure that merely restores original service potential (arising from ordinary wear and tear) is expensed.

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(i) Measurement & Revaluations of Non-Current Physical Assets

Land and buildings are measured at fair value in accordance with AASB 116 *Property, Plant and Equipment*, AASB 13 *Fair Value Measurement* and Queensland Treasury's Non-Current Asset Policies for the Queensland Public Sector. These assets are reported at their revalued amounts, being fair valuation, less any subsequent accumulated depreciation and impairment losses where applicable.

Plant and Equipment is measured at cost in accordance with Queensland Treasury's Non-Current Asset Policies for the Queensland Public Sector. The carrying amounts for Plant and Equipment at cost approximate their fair values.

For financial reporting purposes, the revaluation process is managed by the Board who determine the specific revaluation practices and procedures. Matis Accounting Pty Ltd undertakes an annual review of the revaluation practices, and reports to the board regarding the outcomes and recommendations arising from each annual review.

Revaluations based on independent professional valuer or internal expert appraisals are undertaken at least once every five years. However, if a particular asset class experiences significant and volatile changes in fair value, that class is subject to specific appraisal in the reporting period, where practicable, regardless of the timing of the last specific appraisal.

The fair values reported by the Board are based on appropriate valuation techniques that maximise the use of available and relevant observable inputs and minimise the use of unobservable inputs (refer to note 1 (v)).

Where assets have not been specifically appraised in the reporting period, their previous valuations are materially kept up-to-date via the application of relevant indices. The Board ensures that the application of such indices results in a valid estimation of the asset's fair values at reporting date. The State Valuation Service (SVS) supplies the indices used for the various types of assets. Such indices are either publicly available, or are derived from market information available to SVS. SVS provides assurance of their robustness, validity and appropriateness for application to the relevant assets. Indices used are also tested for reasonableness by applying the indices to a sample of assets, comparing their results to similar assets that have been purchased or quoted on, in the current reporting period, or valued by an independent valuer or internal expert, and analysing the trend of changes in values over time. Through this process which is undertaken annually, management assesses and confirms the relevance and suitability of indices provided by SVS, based on the Board's own particular circumstances.

Any revaluation increment arising on the revaluation of an asset is credited to the asset revaluation surplus of the appropriate class, except to the extent it reverses a revaluation decrement for the class previously recognised as an expense. A decrease in the carrying amount on revaluation is charged as an expense, to the extent it exceeds the balance, if any, in the revaluation surplus relating to that asset class.

On revaluation:

- for assets revalued using a cost valuation approach (e.g. current replacement cost) - accumulated depreciation is adjusted to equal the difference between the gross amount and carrying amount, after taking into account accumulated impairment losses. This is generally referred to as the 'gross method'; and
- for assets revalued using a market or income-based valuation approach - accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses are eliminated against the gross amount of the asset prior to restating for the revaluation. This is generally referred to as the 'net method'.

Materiality concepts under AASB 1031 Materiality are considered in determining whether any difference between the carrying amount and the fair value of an asset is material.

Separately identified components of assets are measured on the same basis as the assets to which they relate.

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(j) Intangibles

Glamorgan Vale Water Board currently holds several easements, and telemetry software, licences, all of which fall below the recognition threshold prescribed by Queensland Treasury's Non-Current Assts Policies for the Qld Public Sector. (Refer to note 1(h)).

(k) Depreciation

Land is not depreciated as it has an unlimited useful life.

Buildings, plant and equipment are depreciated on a straight-line basis so as to allocate the revalued amount or net cost of each asset (respectively), less its estimated residual value, progressively over its estimated useful life to the Glamorgan Vale Water Board.

The estimation of the useful lives of assets is based on historical experience with similar assets as well as considerations such as manufacturers' warranties, asset turnover practices and Glamorgan Vale Water Board's strategic asset plan. Re-assessments of useful lives are undertaken annually by the Glamorgan Vale Water Board. Any consequential adjustments to remaining useful life estimates are implemented prospectively.

Where assets have separately identifiable components that are subject to regular replacement, these components are assigned useful lives distinct from the asset to which they relate and are depreciated accordingly.

Any expenditure that increases the originally assessed capacity or service potential of an asset is capitalised and the new depreciable amount is depreciated over the remaining useful life of the asset to Glamorgan Vale Water Board.

For each class of depreciable asset the following depreciation rates are used:

Class	Rate %
Buildings	11 - 13
Infrastructure	1 - 50
Plant & Equipment	9 - 25

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(l) Impairment on Non-Current Assets

As a not-for-profit entity, certain property, plant and equipment of the Water Authority are held for the continuing use of its service capacity, and not for the generation of cash flows. Such assets are typically specialised in nature. In accordance with AASB 136, where such assets measured at fair value under AASB 13, that fair value (with no adjustment for disposal costs) is effectively deemed to be the recoverable amount. Consequently, impairment does not apply to such assets unless they are measured at cost.

For all property, plant and equipment and intangible assets to which impairment applies, the Water Authority assesses for indicators of impairment annually. Where indicators exist, impairment is accounted for differently, depending on the type of asset, as follows.

- Plant and equipment and intangible assets, which are measured at cost, are reduced to the asset's recoverable amount, being the higher of the asset's fair value less costs of disposal and its value in use. The adjustment is recorded as an impairment loss.
- For non-specialised property measured at fair value, the only difference between the asset's fair value and its recoverable amount is the costs of disposal. Consequently, the fair value of the asset will materially approximate its recoverable amount where the disposal costs are negligible.
Where disposal costs are not negligible, the asset is reduced to its recoverable amount via a revaluation decrement.

(m) Payables

Trade creditors are recognised upon receipt of the goods or services ordered and are measured at the agreed purchase/contract price, gross of applicable trade and other discounts. Amounts owing are unsecured and are generally settled in 30 days depending on payment terms required by the supplier.

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(n) Financial Instruments

Recognition

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognised in the Statement of Financial Position when Glamorgan Vale Water Board becomes party to the contractual provisions of the financial instrument.

Classification

Financial Instruments are classified and measured as follows:

- (a) Cash and Cash equivalents - held at fair value through profit or loss
- (b) Receivables- held at amortised cost
- (c) Payables - held at amortised cost

The carrying amounts of trade receivables and payables approximate their fair value.

No financial assets and financial liabilities have been offset and presented on a net basis in the Statement of Financial Position.

Glamorgan Vale Water Board does not enter into, or trade with, such instruments for speculative purposes, nor for hedging. Apart from cash and cash equivalents, Glamorgan Vale Water Board holds no financial assets classified at fair value through profit and loss.

(o) Employees & Employee Benefits

Number of Employees

The number of employees as at 30 June 2024 including both full-time employees and part-time employees measured on a full-time equivalent basis is 1.31.

Employee Benefits

Employer superannuation contributions, annual leave levies and long service leave levies are regarded as employee benefits.

Payroll tax and workers' compensation insurance are a consequence of employing employees, but are not counted in an employee's total remuneration package. They are not employee benefits and are recognised separately as employee related expenses.

Wages, Salaries and Sick Leave

Wages and salaries due but unpaid at the reporting date are recognised in the Statement of Financial Position at the current salary rate(s). As the Glamorgan Vale Water Board expects such liabilities to be wholly settled within 12 months of reporting date, the liabilities are recognised at undiscounted amounts.

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(o) Employees & Employee Benefits (continued)

Wages, Salaries and Sick Leave (continued)

For unpaid entitlements expected to be paid within 12 months, the liabilities are recognised at their undiscounted values. Entitlements not expected to be paid within 12 months are classified as non-current liabilities and recognised at their present value, calculated using yields on Fixed Rate Commonwealth Government Bonds of similar maturity after projecting the remuneration rates expected to apply at the time of likely settlement.

Prior history indicates that on average, sick leave taken each reporting period is less than the entitlement accrued. This is expected to continue in future periods. Accordingly, it is unlikely that existing accumulated entitlements will be used by employees and no liability for unused sick leave entitlements is recognised. As sick leave is non-vesting, an expense is recognised for this leave as it is taken.

Annual and Long Service Leave

Annual leave and long service leave liabilities are disclosed as current liabilities to the extent that Glamorgan Vale Water Board expects to pay such liabilities within the 12 months following balance date. Otherwise, annual leave and long service leave liabilities are classified as non-current liabilities in accordance with AASB 119 and split between current and non-current components.

Entitlements expected to be paid within the 12 months following balance date are recognised at their undiscounted values. For those entitlements not expected to be paid within 12 months following balance date, the liabilities are recognised at their present value, calculated using yields on Fixed Rate Commonwealth Government Bonds of similar maturity, after projecting the remuneration rates expected to apply at the time of likely payment.

Long service leave liabilities are estimated with reference to the minimum period of qualifying service. For employees with less than the required minimum period of 10 years of qualifying service, the probability that they will reach the required minimum period of service has been taken into account in estimating the long service leave liability.

All directly associated on-costs (e.g. employer superannuation contributions, payroll tax and workers' compensation insurance) are also recognised as liabilities, where these on-costs are material.

Superannuation

Employer superannuation contributions are paid to the superannuation fund of the employees choice. Contributions are expensed in the period which they are paid or payable. Glamorgan Vale Water Board's obligations is limited to its contribution to the employees nominated fund.

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(p) Provisions - Accounting policy

Provisions represent management's best estimate, at reporting date, of the amount expected to be settled in future periods. Where the settlement of the obligation is expected after 12 or more months, the obligation is discounted to the present value using an appropriate discount rate.

Glamorgan Vale Water Board has no provision liabilities.

(q) Insurance

Glamorgan Vale Water Board insures its buildings, plant and equipment for loss and damage, and also insures for public liability risks. Public liability insurance is currently held with Aon Risk Services Australia Ltd.

Glamorgan Vale Water Board pays insurance premiums to Workcover Queensland in respect of its obligations for employee compensation and coverage for Board Members.

(r) Taxation

Glamorgan Vale Water Board is exempt from income tax under the Income Tax Assessment Act 1936 and is exempt from other forms of Commonwealth taxation with the exception of Fringe Benefits Tax (FBT) and Goods and Services Tax (GST). GST credits receivable from, and GST payable to, the ATO at reporting date are separately recognised in receivables (refer to note 10).

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of GST, except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable by or from the Australian Taxation Office. In these circumstances the GST is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of the asset or as part of an item of expense or revenue.

Receivables and payables in the Statement of Financial Position are shown inclusive of GST.

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(s) Authorisation of Financial Statements for Issue

The financial statements are authorised for issue by the Chairman and Secretary of Glamorgan Vale Water Board at the date of signing the Management Certificate.

(t) Accounting Estimates and Judgements

The preparation of financial statements necessarily requires the determination and use of certain critical accounting estimates, assumptions, and management judgements that have the potential to cause a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year. Such estimates, judgements and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period which the estimate is revised and in future periods as relevant.

Estimates and assumptions that have a potential significant effect are outlined in note 13 - Property, plant and equipment; and Depreciation - Note 1(k) and note 8.

(u) Other Presentation Matters

Currency and Rounding

Amounts included in the financial statements are in Australian dollars. Rounding of amounts has occurred where appropriate.

Comparatives

There has been no restatement of comparative information. Comparative information reflects the audited 2022-23 financial statements.

Current/Non-Current Classification

Assets and liabilities are classified as either 'current' or 'non-current' in the Statement of Financial Position and associated notes. Assets are classified as 'current' where their carrying amount is expected to be realised within 12 months after the reporting date. Liabilities are classified as 'current' when they are due to be settled within 12 months after the reporting date, or the Board does not have an unconditional right to defer settlement to beyond 12 months after the reporting date. All other assets and liabilities are classified as non-current.

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(v) Fair Value Measurement

Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date under current market conditions (i.e. an exit price) regardless of whether that price is directly derived from observable inputs or estimated using another valuation technique.

Financial assets and liabilities

The carrying amounts of trade receivables and payables approximate their fair value. The Water Authority holds no financial assets or liabilities classified at fair value through profit and loss.

Non-Financial Assets - Land and Buildings

A fair value measurement of a non-financial asset takes into account a market participant's ability to generate economic benefits by using the asset in its highest and best use.

The valuations maximise the use of relevant observable inputs, and unobservable inputs are used to the extent that sufficient relevant and reliable observable inputs are not available for similar assets.

Observable inputs are publicly available data that are relevant to the characteristics of the assets/liabilities being valued. Observable inputs used by the Glamorgan Vale Water Board include, but are not limited to, published sales data for land and general office buildings, SVS land valuations, publicly advertised prices for infrastructure components and asset revaluation indices published by the Qld Government's statistics office.

Unobservable inputs are data, assumptions and judgements that are not available publicly, but are relevant to the characteristics of the assets/liabilities being valued. Significant unobservable inputs used by the Glamorgan Vale Water Board include subjective adjustments made to observable data to take account of the characteristics of the Glamorgan Vale Water Board's assets/liabilities, internal records of recent construction costs (and/or estimates of such costs) for assets' characteristics/functionality, and assessments of physical condition and the remaining useful life. Unobservable inputs are used to the extent that sufficient relevant and reliable observable inputs are not available for similar assets/liabilities.

(w) New and Revised Accounting Standards

First time mandatory application of Australian Accounting Standards and Interpretations

No accounting standards were applied for the first time during the 2023-24 financial year.

Early adoption of Australian Accounting Standards and Interpretations

No accounting pronouncements were adopted early in the 2023-24 financial year.

Voluntary changes in accounting policy

No voluntary changes in accounting policies occurred during the 2023-24 financial year.



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(x) Key Management Personnel Disclosures

The key management personnel of the Glamorgan Vale Water Board include those that had authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of the water board during the 2022-23 and 2023-24 financial years.

The board of directors were responsible for the strategic leadership, guidance and management of the Glamorgan Vale Water Board including its operational and financial performance and effective financial administration.

Remuneration of Key Management Personnel

Members of the board and secretaries have received the following remuneration during the financial year:

2024 Key Management Personnel Remuneration					
Name	Position	Directors Fee	Salary	Superannuation	Total
Mr Brett Freese	Director	4,485	-	498	4,983
Dr Donna Whiley	Director	3,600	-	396	3,996
Mr Geoffrey Beattie	Director	4,140	-	462	4,602
Mr Michael Kinder	Director	3,600	-	396	3,996
Mrs Judy Seppanen	Secretary	-	62,868	6,915	69,783
Mrs Alex Hill	Secretary	-	35,760	3,934	39,693

In the comparative year, members of the board and secretaries received the following remuneration:

2023 Key Management Personnel Remuneration					
Name	Position	Directors Fee	Salary	Superannuation	Total
Mr Brett Freese	Director	5,655	-	594	6,249
Dr Donna Whiley	Director	4,050	-	425	4,475
Mr Geoffrey Beattie	Director	4,950	-	520	5,470
Mr Michael Kinder	Director	3,150	-	331	3,481
Mrs Judy Seppanen	Secretary	-	51,990	5,459	57,449
Mrs Alex Hill	Secretary	-	28,789	3,023	31,812

Board members receive payment for attendance at Board Meetings and Special Assignments where they attend a meeting or conference on behalf of Glamorgan Vale Water Board. These payments are made in accordance with s624 of the Water Act Qld (2000).

The chairperson and directors are entitled to be paid allowances while travelling on approved business and attending meetings in accordance with the following arrangements:

- economy class air travel;
- motor vehicle allowances prescribed in Motor Vehicle Allowances Directive No. 20/16; and
- travelling expenses prescribed in Domestic Travelling and Relieving Expenses Directive No. 01/23.

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(y) Related Party Transactions

There were no transactions undertaken throughout the 2022-23 and 2023-24 financial years with people or entities related to the Glamorgan Vale Water Board. Should related party transactions occur in the future, it is the policy of the Glamorgan Vale Water Board that these transactions occur on normal commercial terms that are no more favourable than those to other parties. Whilst the members of the Board are ratepayers within the Glamorgan Vale Water Board scheme, their rates are levied on the same basis as all other ratepayers.

(z) Commitments, Contingencies and Events Occurring after Balance Date

At reporting date, the Board had committed to replace two submersible pumps in the infrastructure network. The pumps were purchased prior to balance date, for a cost of \$7,714 including GST. This purchase was expensed as incurred based on the total cost, including anticipated incidental costs to install, not exceeding the asset recognition threshold. The installation of the pumps are scheduled for July 2024 at a cost of \$5,524 including GST.

There were no other commitments at reporting date, nor contingencies or events occurring after balance date that would materially affect the presentation of the Glamorgan Vale Water Board financial statements.

(aa) Climate related risk disclosure

The State of Queensland, as the ultimate parent on the Water Authority, has published a wide range

(<https://www.qld.gov.au/environment/climate/climate-change>) including the following key whole-of Government publications:

- Climate Action Plan 2020-2030 (<https://www.des.qld.gov.au/climateaction>)
- Queensland Energy and Jobs Plan (<https://www.epw.qld.gov.au/energyandjobsplan>)
- Climate Adaptation Strategy (<https://qld.gov.au/environment/climate/climate-change/adapting/strategy>)
- Queensland Sustainability Report (<https://www.treasury.qld.gov.au/programs-andpolicies/esq/>)

No adjustments to the carrying value of assets were recognised during the financial year as a result of climate-related risks impacting current accounting estimates and judgements. No other transactions have been recognised during the financial year specifically due to climate-related risks impacting the Water Authority.

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	2024 \$	2023 \$
2. User Charges		
Rates & Charges	469,552	440,031
Excess Water Usage	76,940	59,593
Interest on Rates	883	883
Total	<u>547,375</u>	<u>500,507</u>
3. Meter Fees & Charges		
Meter Searches	528	990
New Connections	1,300	13,915
Total	<u>1,828</u>	<u>14,905</u>
4. Other Revenue		
Fernvale Rural Fire Brigade	573	382
Repairs to Pipeline	2,889	690
Legal Costs Recovered	-	631
Gain on Sale of Land	-	1,832
Grants Income	66,914	2,793
Interest - Bank	13	12
Interest - QTC Capital Fund	3,197	1,941
Solar Power Credits	1,207	1,273
Total	<u>74,793</u>	<u>9,554</u>
5. Administration Expenses		
Accounting Fees	17,000	16,900
Administration Fees - Loans	246	272
Administration Fees - QTC	79	87
Advertising	964	1,214
Audit Fees	7,200	6,600
Bank Fees	1,112	1,030
Computer Expense	2,072	2,604
Council Rates	16,656	16,273
Dues & Subscriptions	3,223	4,861
Election Expenses	-	4,900
Electricity - Office Building	1,644	1,295
Fees for Board Members	15,825	17,805
Insurance	8,047	7,061
Interest - Loans	4,770	5,242
Legal Fees	3,358	661
Licence - Telemetry	6,996	3,869
Postage & Freight	1,393	1,522
Property Searches	1,544	523
Repairs & Maintenance	4,764	4,126
Security	534	1,653
Staff Amenities	441	659
Stationery & Office Expenses	2,196	2,657
Telephone/Internet	1,955	1,899
Training Expenses	-	312
Travel Expenses	2,016	2,203
Water Purchase Office	-	210
Total	<u>104,035</u>	<u>106,438</u>

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	2024 \$	2023 \$
6. Employee Expenses		
Employee Benefits		
Wages & Salaries	98,944	86,824
Annual Leave	(2,110)	4,724
Long Service Leave	2,077	2,660
Superannuation	12,270	10,964
Total	<u>111,181</u>	<u>105,172</u>
Employee Related Expenses		
Workers Compensation premium	1,088	1,069
Total	<u>1,088</u>	<u>1,069</u>
Total Employee Expenses	<u>112,269</u>	<u>106,241</u>
7. Supplies and Services		
Seasonal Water Allocation Fee	2,500	1,500
Electricity	92,152	55,034
Meter Reading Costs	5,613	4,000
New Connections	5,330	20,545
Repairs & Maintenance	246,193	194,130
Disconnection / Reconnection Costs	640	-
Total	<u>352,428</u>	<u>275,209</u>
8. Depreciation		
Buildings	2,331	2,181
Mains	77,572	76,351
Valves	6,106	5,668
Telemetry Office	10,045	9,817
Telemetry Locations	12,161	11,382
Tanks	15,626	14,519
Pumps	7,520	7,081
Switchboards	7,032	6,614
Plant & Equipment	1,367	1,367
Total	<u>139,760</u>	<u>134,980</u>
9. Cash and Cash Equivalents		
Cash on Hand	200	200
Cash at Bank	151,960	86,243
Total	<u>152,160</u>	<u>86,443</u>

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	2024 \$	2023 \$
10. Receivables		
Trade Debtors	18,289	25,309
GST Clearing Account	6,962	9,857
Total	<u>25,251</u>	<u>35,166</u>
11. Inventories		
Spare Parts	11,364	11,364
Total	<u>11,364</u>	<u>11,364</u>
12. Other Current Assets		
Prepayments	8,373	5,766
Total	<u>8,373</u>	<u>5,766</u>
13. Property, Plant & Equipment		
Land		
At Fair Value	<u>145,950</u>	<u>145,950</u>
Buildings		
At Fair Value	63,694	59,902
Less Accumulated Depreciation	(46,343)	(41,254)
Total	<u>17,351</u>	<u>18,648</u>
Plant & Equipment		
At Cost	15,015	15,015
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	(6,005)	(4,637)
Total	<u>9,010</u>	<u>10,378</u>
Infrastructure		
At Fair Value	7,288,389	7,218,503
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	(3,615,041)	(3,464,519)
Total	<u>3,673,348</u>	<u>3,753,984</u>
Work in Progress	-	-
Total Property, Plant & Equipment	<u>3,845,659</u>	<u>3,928,960</u>



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13 Property, Plant & Equipment (continued)

Property, Plant & Equipment Reconciliation

	Land	Buildings	Plant & Equipment	Infrastructure	Work In Progress	Total
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Carrying amount at 1 July 2023	145,950	18,648	10,378	3,753,984	-	3,928,960
Acquisitions						-
Donations received						
Disposals						
Assets reclassified as held for sale						
Donations made						
Transfers between classes						
Revaluation increments (Note 18)		1,034		55,426		56,460
Revaluation decrements (Note 18)						
Impairment losses recognised in Operating surplus/(deficit)						
Impairment losses reversed in Operating surplus/(deficit)						
Impairment losses recognised in Equity						
Impairment losses reversed in Equity						
Depreciation		(2,331)	(1,368)	(136,062)		(139,761)
Carrying amount at 30 June 2024	145,950	17,351	9,010	3,673,348	-	3,845,659

Independent specific appraisals of the Glamorgan Vale Water Board's land were most recently performed as at 30th June 2021 by external valuer Andrew Rankin of Leeson Valuers, in conjunction with Leary & Partners Pty Ltd Quantity Surveyors, using fair value principles. The fair value of the land was based on publicly available data on sales of similar land, with adjustments made for the Glamorgan Vale Water Board's land size, location, street/road frontage, and

Independent specific appraisals of the Glamorgan Vale Water Board's buildings were most recently performed as at 30th June 2021 by external valuer Andrew Rankin of Leeson Valuers, in conjunction with Leary & Partners Pty Ltd Quantity Surveyors, using fair value principles.

Independent specific appraisals of the Glamorgan Vale Water Board's infrastructure were most recently performed as at 30th June 2021 by external valuer Andrew Rankin of Leeson Valuers, in conjunction with Leary & Partners Pty Ltd Quantity Surveyors, using fair value principles.



18. Asset Revaluation Surplus by Class:

	Land	Buildings	Plant/Equip	Infrastructure	Work in Progress	Total
Balance 1 July 2023	126,118	7,515	182	1,834,699	-	1,968,514
Revaluation Increments	-	1,034	-	55,426	-	56,460
Revaluation Decrements						
Revaluation Decrements - expense						
Impairment losses through equity						
Impairment reversals through equity						
Balance 30 June 2024	126,118	8,549	182	1,890,125	-	2,024,974



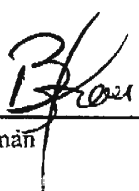
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MANAGEMENT CERTIFICATE OF GLAMORGAN VALE WATER BOARD

These general purpose financial statements have been prepared pursuant to section 62(1)(a) of the *Financial Accountability Act 2009* (the Act), s.39 of the *Financial and Performance Management Standard 2019* and other prescribed requirements. In accordance with s.62(1)(b) of the Act we certify that in our opinion:

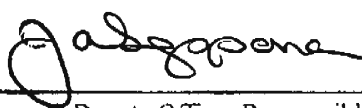
- a) the prescribed requirements for establishing and keeping the accounts have been complied with in all material respects; and
- b) the financial statements have been drawn up to present a true and fair view, in accordance with prescribed accounting standards, of the transactions of Glamorgan Vale Water Board for the financial year ended 30 June 2024 and of the financial position of Glamorgan Vale Water Board as at the end of that year; and

We acknowledge responsibility under s.7 and s.11 of the *Financial and Performance Management Standard 2019* for the establishment and maintenance, in all material respects, of an appropriate and effective system of internal controls and risk management processes with respect to financial reporting throughout the reporting period.



Mr. B. Freese - Chairman
(Signature)

5/8/24
(Date)



Judy Seppanen - Deputy Officer Responsible for Financial Management
(Signature)

5/8/2024
(Date)

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Glamorgan Vale Water Board

Report on the audit of the financial report

Opinion

I have audited the accompanying financial report of Glamorgan Vale Water Board.

The financial report comprises the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2024, the statement of comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the year then ended, notes to the financial statements including material accounting policy information, and the management certificate.

In my opinion, the financial report:

- a) gives a true and fair view of the entity's financial position as at 30 June 2024, and its financial performance and cash flows for the year then ended
- b) complies with the *Financial Accountability Act 2009*, the Financial and Performance Management Standard 2019 and Australian Accounting Standards – Simplified Disclosures.

Basis for opinion

I conducted my audit in accordance with the *Auditor-General Auditing Standards*, which incorporate the Australian Auditing Standards. My responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report* section of my report.

I am independent of the entity in accordance with the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including independence standards)* (the Code) that are relevant to my audit of the financial report in Australia. I have also fulfilled my other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code and the *Auditor-General Auditing Standards*.

I believe that the audit evidence I have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my opinion.

Responsibilities of the entity for the financial report

The Board is responsible for the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view in accordance with the *Financial Accountability Act 2009*, the Financial and Performance Management Standard 2019 and Australian Accounting Standards – Simplified Disclosures, and for such internal control as the Board determines is necessary to enable the preparation of the financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

The Board is also responsible for assessing the entity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters relating to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless it is intended to abolish the entity or to otherwise cease operations.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial report

My objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes my opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of this financial report.

A further description of my responsibilities for the audit of the financial report is located at the Auditing and Assurance Standards Board website at:

https://www.auasb.gov.au/auditors_responsibilities/ar4.pdf

This description forms part of my auditor's report.

Report on other legal and regulatory requirements

Statement

In accordance with s.40 of the *Auditor-General Act 2009*, for the year ended 30 June 2024:

- a) I received all the information and explanations I required.
- b) I consider that, the prescribed requirements in relation to the establishment and keeping of accounts were complied with in all material respects.

Prescribed requirements scope

The prescribed requirements for the establishment and keeping of accounts are contained in the *Financial Accountability Act 2009*, any other Act and the Financial and Performance Management Standard 2019. The applicable requirements include those for keeping financial records that correctly record and explain the entity's transactions and account balances to enable the preparation of a true and fair financial report.



Lisa Fraser
as delegate of the Auditor-General

24 September 2024
Queensland Audit Office
Brisbane

KAYWANNA BORE WATER BOARD

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KAYWANNA BORE WATER BOARD
Statement of Comprehensive Income
For the Year Ended 30 June 2024

OPERATING RESULT	Notes	2024	2023
Income from Continuing Operations			
User charges and fees	2	\$ 73,045	\$ 73,213
Interest	3	\$ 10,445	\$ 6,061
Other Revenue	3	\$ 2,232	\$ 840
Total Income from Continuing Operations		\$ 85,722	\$ 80,114
Expenses from Continuing Operations			
Administration Expenses	4	\$ 28,298	\$ 27,858
Supplies and Services	5	\$ 20,781	\$ 17,391
Depreciation	11	\$ 61,401	\$ 61,809
Total Expenses from Continuing Operations		\$ 110,480	\$ 107,058
Operating Result from Continuing Operations		-\$ 24,759	-\$ 26,944
Operating Result for the Year		-\$ 24,759	-\$ 26,944
OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME			
<u>Items that will not be reclassified to operating result</u>			
Increase (decrease) in asset revaluation surplus	15	\$ 55,153	\$ 55,302
<u>Total Items that will not be reclassified to operating result</u>		\$ 55,153	\$ 55,302
Total Other Comprehensive Income			
Total Comprehensive Income		\$ 30,394	\$ 28,358

The accompanying notes form part of these statements.

KAYWANNA BORE WATER BOARD
Statement of Changes in Equity
For the Year Ended 30 June 2024

	Accumulated Surplus/Deficit	Asset Revaluation Surplus (Note 15)	TOTAL
Balance as at 1 July 2022	\$ 780,018	\$ 1,525,113	\$ 2,305,131
Operating Result			
<i>Operating result from continuing operations</i>	<i>-\$ 26,944</i>		<i>-\$ 26,944</i>
Other Comprehensive Income			
Increase/(Decrease) in Asset revaluation surplus		\$ 55,302	\$ 55,302
Total Comprehensive Income	-\$ 26,944	\$ 55,302	\$ 28,358
Balance as at 30 June 2023	\$ 753,074	\$ 1,580,415	\$ 2,333,489
Balance as at 1 July 2023	\$ 753,074	\$ 1,580,415	\$ 2,333,489
Operating Result			
<i>Operating result from continuing operations</i>	<i>-\$ 24,759</i>		<i>-\$ 24,759</i>
Other Comprehensive Income			
Increase/(Decrease) in Asset revaluation surplus		\$ 55,153	\$ 55,153
Total Comprehensive Income	-\$ 24,759	\$ 55,153	\$ 30,394
Balance as at 30 June 2024	\$ 728,315	\$ 1,635,568	\$ 2,363,883

The accompanying notes form part of these statements.

KAYWANNA BORE WATER BOARD
BALANCE SHEET
For the Year Ended 30 June 2024

	Notes	2024	2023
Current Assets			
Cash and Cash Equivalents	9	\$ 305,648	\$ 296,985
Receivables	10	\$ 35,854	\$ 8,036
Other		\$ 3,685	\$ 3,425
Total Current Assets		\$ 345,186	\$ 308,446
Non Current Assets			
Property, plant and equipment	11	\$ 2,022,278	\$ 2,028,526
Total Non Current Assets		\$ 2,022,278	\$ 2,028,526
Total Assets		\$ 2,367,464	\$ 2,336,972
Current Liabilities			
Payables	13	\$ 3,582	\$ 3,482
Total Current Liabilities		\$ 3,582	\$ 3,482
Non Current Liabilities			
Other non current liabilities	14	\$ -	\$ -
Total Non-Current Liabilities		\$ -	\$ -
Total Liabilities		\$ 3,582	\$ 3,482
Net Assets (Liabilities)		\$ 2,363,883	\$ 2,333,490
Equity			
Accumulated Surplus		\$ 728,315	\$ 753,075
Asset revaluation surplus	15	\$ 1,635,568	\$ 1,580,415
Total Equity		\$ 2,363,883	\$ 2,333,490

The accompanying notes form part of these statements.

KAYWANNA BORE WATER BOARD
Statement of Cash Flows
For the Year Ended 30 June 2024

	Note	2024	2023
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
<i>Inflows:</i>			
User charges and fees		\$ 43,851	\$ 70,983
Hire of plant & equipment		\$ 1,232	\$ 840
Interest Received		\$ 10,445	\$ 6,061
GST input tax credits from ATO		\$ 7,172	\$ 3,866
<i>Outflows:</i>			
Administrative expenses		-\$ 28,140	-\$ 33,020
Supplies and Services		-\$ 21,201	-\$ 17,391
GST paid to suppliers		-\$ 4,695	-\$ 4,737
Net cash provided by / (used in) operating activities		\$ 8,663	\$ 26,602
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
<i>Inflows:</i>			
Sales of property, plant and equipment		\$ -	\$ -
<i>Outflows:</i>			
Payments for property, plant and equipment		\$ -	\$ -
Net cash provided by / (used in) investing activities		\$ -	\$ -
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES			
<i>Inflows:</i>			
Proceeds from borrowings		\$ -	\$ -
<i>Outflows:</i>			
Loan repayments made		\$ -	\$ -
Net cash provided by / (used in) financing activities		\$ -	\$ -
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		\$ 8,663	\$ 26,602
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of financial year	9	\$ 296,985	\$ 270,383
Cash and Cash equivalents at end of financial year	9	\$ 305,648	\$ 296,985

The accompanying notes form part of these statements.

KAYWANNA BORE WATER BOARD
Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended 30 June 2024

Note 1 – Basis of Financial Statement Preparation

(a) General Information about the Reporting Entity

These financial statements cover the Kaywanna Bore Water Board (Water Authority). The Water Authority is a not-for-profit statutory body constituted under the *Water Act 2000*. The Water Authority does not control other entities. The financial statements are for the Water Authority as an individual entity.

The objective of the water authority is for the continued maintenance of the bore head installations and pipes that offer a supplementary water supply for stock and domestic purposes to thirty five (35) properties, one school and one recreation club within the Kaywanna Bore Water Supply Area, and two public stock water facilities on local stock routes.

The head office and principal place of business of the water authority is 24 McLean Street, Goondiwindi QLD 4390.

(b) Authorisation of Financial Statements for Issue

The financial statements are authorised for issue by the Chairperson and Secretary at the date of signing the Management Certificate.

(c) Compliance with Prescribed Requirements

The financial statements have been prepared in compliance with the *Financial Accountability Act 2009* and the *Financial and Performance Management Standard 2019*.

These general purpose financial statements are prepared in accordance with the disclosure requirements of Australian Accounting Standards - Simplified Disclosures. The financial statements comply with the recognition and measurement requirements of all Australian Accounting Standards and Interpretations applicable to not-for-profit entities, and the presentation requirements in those standards as modified by AASB 1060.

(d) Underlying Measurement Basis

The financial statements are prepared on an accrual basis, with the exception of the statement of cash flows which is prepared on a cash basis.

The historical cost convention is used as the measurement basis except for land and buildings and infrastructure assets which are measured at fair value.

(e) Presentation Matters

Currency and Rounding

Amounts included in the financial statements are in Australian dollars. Amounts are rounded to the nearest dollar.

Comparatives

Comparative information reflects the audited 2022-23 financial statements.

Current/Non-Current Classification

Assets are classified as 'current' where their carrying amount is expected to be realised within 12 months after the reporting date. Liabilities are classified as 'current' when they are due to be settled within 12 months after the reporting date, or the Board does not have an unconditional right to defer settlement to beyond 12 months after the reporting date. All other assets and liabilities are classified as non-current.

(f) Taxation

The Water Authority is exempted from income tax under the *Income Tax Assessment Act 1936* and is exempted from other forms of Commonwealth taxation with the exception of Fringe Benefits Tax (FBT) and Goods and Services Tax (GST).

Receivables and payables in the Balance Sheet are shown exclusive of GST. GST credits receivable from, and GST payable to, the ATO at reporting date are separately recognised in receivables within Note 11.

(g) Key Accounting Estimates and Judgements

The most significant estimates and assumptions made in the preparation of the financial statements related to the fair value and depreciation of property, plant and equipment. Details are set out in Note 12. The valuation of property, plant and equipment necessarily involves estimation uncertainty with the potential to materially impact on the carrying amount of such assets in the next reporting period.

(h) New and Revised Accounting Standards

First time mandatory application of Australian Accounting Standards and Interpretations

No new accounting standards were applied for the first time during the 2023-24 financial year.

Early Adoption of Australian Accounting Standards and Interpretations

No accounting pronouncements were early adopted in the 2023-24 financial year.

Voluntary Changes in Accounting Policy

No voluntary changes in accounting policies occurred during the 2023-24 financial year.

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Note 2 – User Charges and fees	2024	2023
Rates & Charges	\$ 73,045	\$ 73,213
Total	\$ 73,045	\$ 73,213

Rates & Charges, Meter Fees & Charges, and Other Revenue

Revenue from receipt of rates and other charges, or rendering of a service is recognised when the revenue is earned and can be measured reliably with a sufficient degree of certainty. Other revenue is recognised when the right to receive the revenue has been established.

KAYWANNA BORE WATER BOARD
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Note 3 – Other Revenue	2024	2023
Hire of Plant	\$ 1,232	\$ 840
Application Fees	\$ 1,000	\$ -
Interest - Bank	\$ 10,445	\$ 6,061
Total	\$ 12,677	\$ 6,901

Note 4 – Administration Expenses	2024	2023
Accounting & Secretarial Fees	\$ 15,920	\$ 15,920
Audit Fees	\$ 3,400	\$ 3,300
Bank Fees	\$ 258	\$ 356
Council Rates	\$ 582	\$ 556
Insurance	\$ 5,821	\$ 5,311
Registration	\$ 450	\$ 325
Stationery & Office Expenses	\$ 420	\$ 591
Telephone/Internet	\$ 1,447	\$ 1,499
Total	\$ 28,298	\$ 27,858

KAYWANNA BORE WATER BOARD
Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended 30 June 2024

Note 5 – Supplies and Services	2024	2023
Electricity Pump Stations	\$ 19,986	\$ 15,966
Repairs & Maintenance	\$ 795	\$ 1,425
Total	\$ 20,781	\$ 17,391

KAYWANNA BORE WATER BOARD
Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended 30 June 2024

Note 9 – Cash and Cash Equivalents

	2024	2023
Deposits at Call	\$ 291,953	\$ 181,766
Cash at Bank	\$ 13,695	\$ 115,219
Total	\$ 305,648	\$ 296,985

Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include all cash and cheques receipted as at 30 June as well as deposits held at call with financial institutions.

Note 10 – Receivables

	2024	2023
Unpaid rates - current	\$ 34,408	\$ 4,213
GST Clearing Account	\$ 1,446	\$ 3,823
Total	\$ 35,854	\$ 8,036

Receivables

Trade debtors are recognised at the nominal amounts due at the time of sale or service delivery i.e. the agreed purchase/contract price. Settlement terms are within 30 days from invoice date.

The collectability of receivables is assessed periodically.

KAYWANNA BORE WATER BOARD
Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended 30 June 2024

Note 11 – Property, Plant and Equipment and Depreciation Expense

(i) Property Plant and Equipment	2024	2023
Land		
At Fair Value	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000
Infrastructure		
At Fair Value	\$ 2,843,276	\$ 2,788,464
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	-\$ 861,170	-\$ 806,358
	\$ 1,982,106	\$ 1,982,106
Plant & Equipment		
At cost	\$ 157,839	\$ 157,499
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	-\$ 127,667	-\$ 121,079
	\$ 30,172	\$ 36,420
Total Property, Plant and Equipment	\$ 2,022,278	\$ 2,028,526

(ii) Property, Plant and Equipment Reconciliation

	Land	Buildings	Infrastruc- ture	Plant & Equipment
Carrying amount at 1 July 2023	\$ 10,000	\$ -	\$ 1,982,106	\$ 36,420
Acquisitions (including upgrades)				
Donations received				
Disposals				
Assets reclassified as held for sale				
Donations made				
Transfers between classes				
Revaluation increments/(decrements)			\$ 55,153	
Impairment losses recognised in Operating				
Impairment losses reversed in Operating				
Impairment losses recognised in Equity				
Impairment losses reversed in Equity				
Depreciation expense			-\$ 55,153	-\$ 6,248
Carrying amount at 30 June 2024	\$ 10,000	\$ -	\$ 1,982,106	\$ 30,172

(iii) Accounting Policy - Recognition and Measurement

Asset Acquisition

Actual cost is used for the initial recording of all non-current physical asset acquisitions. Cost is determined as the value given as consideration plus costs incidental to the acquisition, including all other costs incurred in getting the assets ready for use, including architects' fees and engineering design fees. However, any training costs are expensed as incurred.

Assets acquired at no cost or for nominal consideration, other than from an involuntary transfer from another Queensland government agency, are recognised at their fair value at date of acquisition in accordance with AASB 116, *Property, Plant and Equipment*.

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of GST, except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the Australian Taxation Office. In these circumstances, the GST is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of the asset or as part of an item of expense.

Recognition of Property, Plant and Equipment

Items of property, plant and equipment with a cost or other value equal to or in excess of the following thresholds are recognised for financial reporting purposes in the year of acquisition:

Infrastructure	\$10,000
Land	\$1
Plant and Equipment	\$100

Items with a lesser value are expensed in the year of acquisition. Expenditure is only capitalised if it increases the service potential or useful life of the existing asset. Maintenance expenditure that merely restores original service potential (arising from ordinary wear and tear) is expensed.

Assets are recognised net of the amount of GST, except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the Australian Taxation Office. In these circumstances, the GST is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of the asset.

Measurement of property, plant and equipment at fair value

Plant and equipment is measured at cost in accordance with the Non-Current Asset Policies. The carrying amounts for plant and equipment at cost approximate their fair value.

Land, buildings and infrastructure assets are measured at fair value in accordance with AASB 116 *Property, Plant and Equipment*, AASB 13 *Fair Value Measurement* and Queensland Treasury's Non-Current Asset Policies for the Queensland Public Sector. These assets are reported at their revalued amounts, being the fair value at the date of valuation, less a subsequent accumulated depreciation and impairment losses where applicable.

The fair values reported are based on last available independent valuations undertaken of its assets presented to the together with the professional judgement of the Board members.

Revaluation of property, plant and equipment

Land, buildings and infrastructure measured at fair value are assessed and revalued on an annual basis by the board of directors.

Any revaluation increment arising on the revaluation of an asset is credited to the asset revaluation surplus of the appropriate class, except to the extent it reverses a revaluation decrement for the class previously recognised as an expense. A decrease in the carrying amount on revaluation is charged as an expense, to the extent it exceeds the balance, if any, in the revaluation surplus to that asset class.

On revaluation, for assets revalued using a cost valuation approach (e.g. current replacement cost) - accumulated depreciation is adjusted to equal the difference between the gross amount and carrying amount, after taking into account accumulated impairment losses. This is generally referred to as the 'gross method'. For assets revalued using a market or income-based valuation approach - accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses are eliminated against the gross value of the asset prior to restating for the revaluation. This is generally referred to as the 'net method'.

Impairment

As a not-for-profit entity, certain property, plant and equipment of the Water Authority are held for the continuing use of its service capacity, and not for the generation of cash flows. Such assets are typically specialised in nature. In accordance with AASB 136, where such assets measured at fair value under AASB 13, that fair value (with no adjustment for disposal costs) is effectively deemed to be the recoverable amount. Consequently, impairment does not apply to such assets unless they are measured at cost.

For all property, plant and equipment and intangible assets to which impairment applies, the Water Authority assesses for indicators of impairment annually. Where indicators exist, impairment is accounted for differently, depending on the type of asset, as follows.

- Plant and equipment and intangible assets, which are measured at cost, are reduced to the asset's recoverable amount, being the higher of the asset's fair value less costs of disposal and its value in use. The adjustment is recorded as an impairment loss.

Depreciation

Land is not depreciated as it has an unlimited useful life.

Buildings, infrastructure assets and plant and equipment are depreciated on a straight-line basis over their useful lives. The estimation of the useful lives of assets is based on historical experience with similar assets as well as considerations such as manufacturers' warranties, asset turnover practices and the Water Authority's strategic asset plan. Re-assessments of useful lives are undertaken annually by the Water Authority. Any consequential adjustments to remaining useful life estimates are implemented prospectively.

For each class of depreciable asset the following depreciation rates are used:

Class	Rate (%)
Infrastructure	1-33.33
Plant & Equipment	10-20

Any expenditure that increases the originally assessed capacity or service potential of an asset is capitalised and the new depreciable amount is depreciated over the remaining useful life of the asset to the Water Authority.

KAYWANNA BORE WATER BOARD
Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended 30 June 2024

Note 13 – Payables

	2024	2023
Audit Costs	\$ 3,400	\$ 3,300
Other	\$ 182	\$ 183
Total	\$ 3,582	\$ 3,483

Payables

Trade creditors are recognised upon receipt of the goods or services ordered and are measured at the agreed purchase/contract price, gross of applicable trade and other discounts. Amounts owing are unsecured and are generally settled on 30 day terms.

KAYWANNA BORE WATER BOARD
Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended 30 June 2024

Note 15 – Movement in Asset Revaluation Surplus

	Land	Buildings	Infrastruc- ture	Total
Balance 1 July 2022	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,525,113	\$ 1,525,113
Revaluation Increments			\$ 55,302	\$ 55,302
Revaluation Decrements				
Impairment losses				
Impairment reversals				
Balance 30 June 2023	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,580,415	\$ 1,580,415
	Land	Buildings	Infrastruc- ture	Total
Balance 1 July 2023	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,580,415	\$ 1,580,415
Revaluation Increments			\$ 55,153	\$ 55,153
Revaluation Decrements				
Impairment losses				
Impairment reversals				
Balance 30 June 2024	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,635,568	\$ 1,635,568

KAYWANNA BORE WATER BOARD
Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended 30 June 2024

Note 16 - Fair Value Measurement

What is Fair Value?

Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date under current market conditions (i.e. an exit price) regardless of whether that price is directly derived from observable inputs or estimated using another valuation technique.

Financial assets and liabilities

The carrying amounts of trade receivables and payables approximate their fair value. The Water Authority holds no financial assets or liabilities classified at fair value through profit and loss.

Non-Financial Assets - Land and Buildings

The Water Authority's land and buildings are measured at fair value. The fair value measurements take into account a market participant's ability to generate economic benefits by using the asset in its highest and best use.

The valuations maximise the use of relevant observable inputs, and unobservable inputs are used to the extent that sufficient relevant and reliable observable inputs are not available for similar assets.

Observable inputs used by the Water Authority include, but are not limited to, published sales data for land and general office buildings.

Significant unobservable inputs used by the Water Authority include subjective adjustments made to observable data to take account of the characteristics of the Water Authority's assets/liabilities, internal record of recent construction costs (and/or estimates of such costs) for assets' characteristics/functionality, and assessments of physical condition and remaining useful life.

Independent specific appraisals of the Water Authority's infrastructure assets and land were most recently performed as at 31 May 2014 by Mr Mal Gollan, Certified Practising Valuer of Ray White Real Estate - Goondiwindi, using fair value principles. The fair value of land was based on publicly available data on sales of similar land in nearby localities in the six months prior to the date of the revaluation. In determining the values, adjustments were made to the sales data to take into account the location of the land, its size, street/road frontage and access, and any significant restrictions.

The directors undertake an appraisal of the carrying value of the Water Authority's assets on an annual basis.

The fair value of the Water Authority's infrastructure assets was determined on a current replacement cost basis. Internal records of the original cost are adjusted for contemporary technology and construction approaches. Significant judgement is also used to assess the remaining service potential of the assets, given local climatic and environmental conditions, projected usage, and records of the current condition of the assets.

KAYWANNA BORE WATER BOARD
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Note 18 - Key Management Personnel (KMP) Disclosures

Details of Key Management Personnel

The following details for key management personnel include those Water Authority positons that had authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of the Water Authority during 2023-24 and 2022-23.

Position	Position Responsibility
Chairperson	The strategic leadership, guidance and effective oversight of the management of the Board, including its operational and financial performance.
Board Member	Responsible for the strategic leadership and direction of the Board.
Secretary	Responsible for the efficient and effective financial administration of the Board.

Remuneration Expenses

Board members do not receive payment for attendance at Board Meetings, or Special Assignments where they attend a meeting or conference on behalf of the Water Authority.

	2024	2023
Directors	\$ -	\$ -
Trustee	\$ -	\$ -
Member	\$ -	\$ -
Secretaries	\$ -	\$ -
Total	\$ -	\$ -

Note 19 - Related Party Transactions

There were no transactions with KMPs other than normal course of business arrangements (at arms length) between the parties.

KAYWANNA BORE WATER BOARD
Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended 30 June 2024

Note 20 - Commitments

2024

2023

The board has no current commitments to report at 30 June.

Note 21 - Contingencies

There are no contingencies at reporting date.

Note 22 - Events occurring after balance date

There are no events occurring after balance date that effect the financial statements as presented.

Note 23 - Climate related risk disclosure

The State of Queensland, as the ultimate parent on the Water Authority, has published a wide range of information and resources on climate change risks, strategies and actions (<https://www.qld.gov.au/environment/climate/climate-change>) including the following key whole-of-Government publications:

- Climate Action Plan 2020-2030 (<https://www.des.qld.gov.au/climateaction>)
- Queensland Energy and Jobs Plan (<https://www.epw.qld.gov.au/energyandjobsplan>)
- Climate Adaptation Strategy (<https://www.qld.gov.au/environment/climate/climate-change/adapting/strategy>)
- Queensland Sustainability Report (<https://www.treasury.qld.gov.au/programs-andpolicies/esq/>)

No adjustments to the carrying value of assets were recognised during the financial year as a result of climate-related risks impacting current accounting estimates and judgements. No other transactions have been recognised during the financial year specifically due to climate-related risks impacting the Water Authority.

KAYWANNA BORE WATER BOARD
Management Certificate
For the Year Ended 30 June 2024

MANAGEMENT CERTIFICATE OF KAYWANNA BORE WATER BOARD

These general purpose financial statements have been prepared pursuant to s.62(1)(a) of the *Financial Accountability Act 2009* (the Act), s.39 of the *Financial and Performance Management Standard 2019* and other prescribed requirements. In accordance with s.62 (1)(b) of the Act we certify that in our opinion:

- a) the prescribed requirements for establishing and keeping the accounts have been complied with in all material respects; and
- b) the financial statements have been drawn up to present a true and fair view, in accordance with prescribed accounting standards, of the transactions of the Water Authority for the period ended 30 June 2024 and of the financial position of the Water Authority as at the end of that period; and

We acknowledge responsibility under s.7 and s.11 of the *Financial and Performance Management Standard 2019* for the establishment and maintenance, in all material respects, of an appropriate and effective system of internal controls and risk management processes with respect to financial reporting throughout the reporting period.



Dale Edwin Whittaker
Secretary to the Board

31 / 7 / 2024



William Geoffrey Woods
Chairperson

31 / 7 / 2024

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Kaywanna Bore Water Board

Report on the audit of the financial report

Opinion

I have audited the accompanying financial report of Kaywanna Bore Water Board.

In my opinion, except for the possible effects of the matters described in the *Basis for qualified opinion* section of my report, the financial report:

- a) gives a true and fair view of the entity's financial position as at 30 June 2024, and its financial performance and cash flows for the year then ended
- b) complies with the *Financial Accountability Act 2009*, the Financial and Performance Management Standard 2019 and Australian Accounting Standards – Simplified Disclosures.

The financial report comprises the balance sheet as at 30 June 2024, the statement of comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the year then ended, notes to the financial statements including material accounting policy information, and the management certificate.

Basis for qualified opinion

Kaywanna Bore Water Board has not provided sufficient and appropriate evidence to demonstrate that the reported fair values of non-current assets are in accordance with the requirements of AASB 13 *Fair Value Measurement*. As a consequence, I am unable to and do not express an opinion on the reported values for property, plant and equipment of \$2,022,278 (2023: \$2,028,526) disclosed in Note 11, depreciation expense of \$61,401 (2023: \$61,809) disclosed in Note 11, and the asset revaluation surplus of \$1,635,568 (2023: \$1,580,415) and revaluation increments of \$55,153 (2023: \$55,302) disclosed in Note 15.

The impact of these matters on the financial report is unable to be quantified due to the absence of reliable data.

I conducted my audit in accordance with the *Auditor-General Auditing Standards*, which incorporate the Australian Auditing Standards. My responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report* section of my report.

I am independent of the entity in accordance with the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including independence standards)* (the Code) that are relevant to my audit of the financial report in Australia. I have also fulfilled my other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code and the *Auditor-General Auditing Standards*.

I believe that the audit evidence I have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my qualified opinion.

Responsibilities of the entity for the financial report

The Board is responsible for the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view in accordance with the *Financial Accountability Act 2009*, the Financial and Performance Management Standard 2019 and Australian Accounting Standards – Simplified Disclosures, and for such internal control as the Board determines is necessary to enable the preparation of the financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

The Board is also responsible for assessing the entity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters relating to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless it is intended to abolish the entity or to otherwise cease operations.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial report

My objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes my opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of this financial report.

A further description of my responsibilities for the audit of the financial report is located at the Auditing and Assurance Standards Board website at:

https://www.auasb.gov.au/auditors_responsibilities/ar4.pdf

This description forms part of my auditor's report.

Report on other legal and regulatory requirements

Statement

In accordance with s.40 of the *Auditor-General Act 2009*, except for the matters described in the *Basis of qualified opinion* section of my report, for the year ended 30 June 2024:

- a) I received all the information and explanations I required.
- b) I consider that, the prescribed requirements in relation to the establishment and keeping of accounts were complied with in all material respects.

Prescribed requirements scope

The prescribed requirements for the establishment and keeping of accounts are contained in the *Financial Accountability Act 2009*, any other Act and the Financial and Performance Management Standard 2019. The applicable requirements include those for keeping financial records that correctly record and explain the entity's transactions and account balances to enable the preparation of a true and fair financial report.

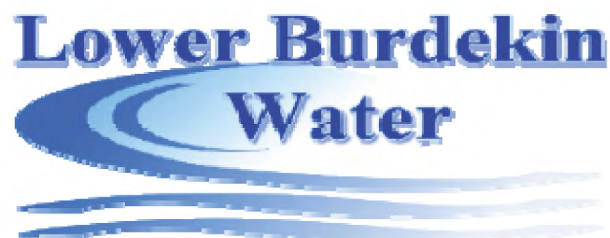


Lisa Fraser
as delegate of the Auditor-General

26 August 2024

Queensland Audit Office
Brisbane

LOWER BURDEKIN WATER FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 2023-24



General Information

These financial statements and financial report cover Lower Burdekin Water (the Authority).

The Authority is a Statutory Body governed under the *Water Act 2000*. The Statutory Body is controlled by the State of Queensland, which is the ultimate parent.

The office and principal place of business is:
112 Airdmillan Road
AYR QLD 4807

A description of operations and principal activities is included in the notes to the financial statements. Lower Burdekin Water was established as the new alternative institutional structure on the 18 February 2015 following the dissolution of the previous category two water boards known as the North Burdekin Water Board and the South Burdekin Water Board.

For information in relation to the Authority's Financial Report please contact Susan Ogden on phone at Ayr Office 07 4783 1988, email susan.ogden@lowerburdekinwater.com.au or visit the Authority's website www.lowerburdekinwater.com.au.

LOWER BURDEKIN WATER
For the year ended 30 June 2024

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LOWER BURDEKIN WATER
STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME
For the year ended 30 June 2024

	Notes	2024 \$	2023 \$
Revenue			
User charges and fees	B1-1	10,034,692	8,417,916
Other income	B1-2	69,069	58,040
Grants and other contributions	B1-3	1,761,836	1,646,229
Interest Earned from Cash Management			
Interest income	B1-4	348,168	265,433
Total Revenue		12,213,765	10,387,618
Gain on disposal	B1-5	2,000	134,459
Total Revenue and Other Income		12,215,765	10,522,077
Expenses			
Employee expenses	B2-1	2,029,255	2,084,599
Supplies and services	B2-3	3,813,485	3,993,013
Depreciation expense	C5	2,140,944	2,126,718
Loss on disposal		26,632	166,499
Total Expenses		8,010,315	8,370,829
Operating Result from Operations		4,205,451	2,151,248
Other Comprehensive Income			
Increase (decrease) in asset revaluation surplus	C10	16,737,891	3,351,902
Total Other Comprehensive Income		16,737,891	3,351,902
Total Comprehensive Income		20,943,342	5,503,150

The accompanying notes form part of these statements.

LOWER BURDEKIN WATER
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
As at 30 June 2024

	Notes	2024 \$	2023 \$
Current Assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	C1	10,995,521	12,067,389
Receivables	C2	908,356	546,973
Contract assets	C3	16,600	0
Inventories		116,017	83,378
Other current assets		24,250	21,806
Total Current Assets		12,060,744	12,719,547
Non Current Assets			
Intangible assets	C4	4,500,000	4,500,000
Property, plant and equipment	C5	87,235,403	66,504,176
Total Non Current Assets		91,735,403	71,004,176
Total Assets		103,796,147	83,723,723
Current Liabilities			
Payables	C6	1,498,557	1,668,084
Borrowings	C7	247,988	247,988
Provision for employee benefits	C8	526,129	694,082
Other current liabilities	C9	140,168	421,593
Total Current Liabilities		2,412,843	3,031,747
Non Current Liabilities			
Borrowings	C7	4,942,730	5,190,808
Provision for employee benefits	C8	1,031	4,967
Total Non Current Liabilities		4,943,762	5,195,775
Total Liabilities		7,356,605	8,227,522
Net Assets		96,439,544	75,496,202
Equity			
Contributed equity		49,474,216	49,474,216
Accumulated surplus		14,666,436	10,460,988
Asset revaluation surplus	C10	32,298,892	15,561,001
Total Equity		96,439,544	75,496,202

The accompanying notes form part of these statements.

LOWER BURDEKIN WATER
STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY
For the year ended 30 June 2024

	Contributed Equity	Accumulated Surplus	Asset Revaluation Surplus (Note C-10)	Total
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Balance as at 1 July 2022	49,474,216	8,309,736	12,209,099	69,993,051
Operating Result from Operations	-	2,151,248	-	2,151,248
<i>Other Comprehensive Income</i>				
- Increase in asset revaluation surplus	-	-	3,351,902	3,351,902
Total Comprehensive Income for the year 2023	-	2,151,248	3,351,902	5,503,150
Balance as at 30 June 2023	49,474,216	10,460,984	15,561,001	75,496,202
Balance as at 1 July 2023	49,474,216	10,460,984	15,561,001	75,496,202
Operating Result from Operations	-	4,205,451	-	4,205,451
<i>Other Comprehensive Income</i>				
- Increase in asset revaluation surplus	-	-	16,737,891	16,737,891
Total Comprehensive Income for the year 2024	-	4,205,451	16,737,891	20,943,342
Balance as at 30 June 2024	49,474,216	14,666,436	32,298,892	96,439,544

The accompanying notes form part of these statements.

LOWER BURDEKIN WATER
STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
For the year ended 30 June 2024

	Notes	2024 \$	2023 \$
Cash Flows from Operating Activities			
<i>Inflows:</i>			
User charges and fees		9,805,587	9,168,154
Other income		69,069	58,040
Grants and other contributions		1,405,000	1,646,229
Interest income		348,168	265,433
GST input tax credits from ATO		674,970	815,925
GST collected from customers		343,754	438,863
<i>Outflows:</i>			
Employee expenses		(2,361,898)	(2,152,207)
Supplies and services		(3,835,836)	(3,564,453)
GST remitted to ATO		(62,751)	(180,719)
GST paid to suppliers		(997,357)	(1,005,974)
Net Cash Provided by (used in) Operating Activities	CF1	5,388,704	5,489,291
Cash Flows from Investing Activities			
<i>Inflows:</i>			
Proceeds from property, plant & equipment		(24,632)	395,774
<i>Outflows</i>			
Payments for property, plant & equipment		(6,187,864)	(6,326,906)
Net Cash Provided by Investing Activities		(6,212,495)	(5,931,132)
Cash Flows from Financing Activities			
<i>Inflows:</i>			
Proceeds from borrowings		-	-
<i>Outflows:</i>			
Repayment of Borrowings		(248,077)	(242,282)
Net Cash Provided by (used in) Financing Activities		(248,077)	(242,282)
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		(1,071,868)	(684,123)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of financial year		12,067,389	12,751,514
Cash and cash equivalents at End of Financial Year	C1	10,995,521	12,067,389

The accompanying notes form part of these statements.

A1 - Basis of Financial Statement Preparation

A1-1 General Information about the Reporting Entity

These financial statements have been prepared in compliance with the *Financial Accountability Act 2009* and the *Financial and Performance Management Standard 2019, section 39*. The financial statements comply with Queensland Treasury's Minimum Reporting Requirements for reporting periods beginning on or after 1 July 2023.

These financial statements are general purpose financial statements, and have been prepared on an accrual basis (with the exception of the statement of cash flows which is prepared on a cash basis) in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards - Simplified Disclosures and Interpretations.

With respect to compliance with Australian Accounting Standards and Interpretations, the Authority has applied those requirements applicable to not-for-profit entities, as the Authority is operated on a not-for-profit basis. Except where stated, the historical cost convention is used.

A1-2 Presentation

Currency and Rounding - Amounts included in the financial statements are in Australian dollars and have been rounded to the nearest \$1, unless disclosure of the full amount is specifically required.

Comparatives - Comparative information reflects the audited 2022-23 financial statements.

Current/Non-Current Classification - Assets and liabilities are classified as either 'current' or 'non-current' in the Statement of Financial Position and associated notes. Assets are classified as 'current' where their carrying amount is expected to be realised within 12 months after the reporting date. Liabilities are classified as 'current' when they are due to be settled within 12 months after the reporting date, or the Authority does not have an unconditional right to defer settlement to beyond 12 months after the reporting date. All other assets and liabilities are classified as non-current.

A1-3 Basis of Measurement

Historical cost is used as the measurement basis in this financial report except for the following:

Land, buildings, infrastructure which are measured at fair value and plant and equipment which is measured at cost; Provisions expected to be settled 12 or more months after reporting date which are measured at their present value; and Inventories which are measured at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

Historical Cost

Under historical cost, assets are recorded at the amount of cash or cash equivalents paid or the fair value of the consideration given to acquire assets at the time of their acquisition. Liabilities are recorded at the amount of proceeds received in exchange for the obligation or at the amounts of cash or cash equivalents expected to be paid to satisfy the liability in the normal course of business.

Fair Value

Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date under current market conditions (i.e. an exit price) regardless of whether that price is directly derived from observable inputs or estimated using another valuation technique. Fair value is determined using one of the following three approaches:

- The market approach uses prices and other relevant information generated by market transactions involving identical or comparable (i.e. similar) assets, liabilities or a group of assets and liabilities, such as a business.
- The cost approach reflects the amount that would be required currently to replace the service capacity of an asset. This method includes the current replacement cost methodology.
- The income approach converts multiple future cash flows amounts to a single current (i.e. discounted) amount. When the income approach is used, the fair value measurement reflects current market expectations about those future amounts. Where fair value is used, the fair value approach is disclosed.

Present Value

Present value represents the present discounted value of the future net cash inflows that the item is expected to generate (in respect of assets) or the present discounted value of the future net cash outflows expected to settle (in respect of liabilities) in the normal course of business.

Net Realisable Value

Net realisable value represents the amount of cash or cash equivalents that could currently be obtained by selling an asset in an orderly disposal.

LOWER BURDEKIN WATER
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A1-4 The Reporting Entity

The Authority does not control other entities. The financial statements include the value of all income, expenses, assets, liabilities and equity for the Authority as an individual entity.

A1-5 Contributed Equity

Contributed equity as at 30 June 2024 includes the net assets of Lower Burdekin Water's predecessor entities (North Burdekin Water Board and South Burdekin Water Board) which were abolished on 18 February 2015 and their net assets transferred to Lower Burdekin Water.

A1-6 Taxation

The Authority is a statutory body as defined under the *Income Tax Assessment Act 1936* and is exempt from Commonwealth taxation with the exception of Fringe Benefits Tax (FBT) and Goods and Services Tax (GST). FBT and GST are the only taxes accounted for by Lower Burdekin Water. GST credits recoverable from, and GST payable to the Australian Taxation Office (ATO), are recognised as receivables and payables, respectively, on the statement of financial position (refer to Note C2).

A1-7 Authorisation of Financial Statements for Issue

The financial statements are authorised for issue by the Chairman and Executive Officer at the date of signing the Management Certificate.

A1-8 Accounting Estimates and Judgements

The preparation of financial statements necessarily requires the determination and use of certain critical accounting estimates, assumptions, and management judgements that have the potential to cause a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year. Such estimates, judgements and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised and in future periods as relevant.

Estimates and assumptions with the most significant effect on the financial statements are outlined in the following notes:

Receivables - Note C2
Payables - Note C6
Provisions - Notes C8
Valuation of Property, Plant and Equipment - Note C5

Further, the matters covered in each of those notes (except for Depreciation) necessarily involve estimation uncertainty with the potential to materially impact on the carrying amount of the Authority's assets and liabilities in the reporting period. Reference should be made to the respective notes for more information.

A1-9 New and Revised Accounting Standards

No new accounting standards or interpretations that apply to The Authority for the first time in 2023-24 had any material impact on the financial statements.

A1-10 Future Impact of Accounting Standards Not Yet Effective

Accounting Standard AASB 2022-10 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards – Fair Value Measurement of Non-Financial Assets of Not-for-Profit Public Sector Entities

The amendments set out in this Standard apply to entities and financial statements in accordance with the application of AASB 13 set out in AASB 1057 Application of Australian Accounting Standards.

This Standard applies to annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2025. This Standard may be applied to annual periods beginning before 1 January 2025.

This Standard specifies that, if both the market selling price of a comparable asset and some market participant data required to measure the fair value of the asset are not observable, an entity uses its own assumptions as a starting point in developing unobservable inputs and adjusts those assumptions to the extent that reasonably available information indicates that other market participants (including, but not limited to, other not-for-profit public sector entities) would use different data; and provides guidance on how the cost approach is to be applied to measure the asset's fair value, including guidance on the nature of costs to include in the replacement cost of a reference asset and on the identification of economic obsolescence.

At the date of authorisation of the financial report Australian Accounting Standard 2022-10 will have an impact in future financial periods.

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B1 - Revenue	2024	2023
	\$	\$
B1-1 User Charges and Fees		
Area Charge - Cane Grower	3,957,867	3,858,784
Area Charge - Cane Miller	1,957,367	1,900,118
Area Charge - Other Crops	245,511	247,519
Open Water Levies	2,729,551	1,689,243
Open Water Excess	112,803	16,366
Open Water River Base	19,531	19,111
Commercial Water	108	52
External Water Sales South	840,807	481,435
External Water Sales West	42,995	40,677
Sale of Structures	50	5,000
Burdekin Shire Council Levies	122,849	181,612
Licence/New Meter Fees	5,455	-
Total	10,034,692	8,417,916

Accounting Policy

Sale of Services

Area charges relate to annual rates on ratepayer's land in the authority area in relation to a water service, these charges are issued at the start of the financial year. Open water and all other water related charges involve the supply of water for irrigation, commercial, stock and domestic purposes. These charges are invoiced in arrears based on the volume of water taken.

Sale of Goods

Revenue from sale of goods comprising of structures used for transporting water i.e. culverts, flow meters used for recording water usage and surplus equipment no longer required by the Authority and is invoiced in arrears.

B1-2 Other Income		
Administration Charge	500	1,150
Sundry Income	17,072	6,157
Fuel Tax Credit Income	51,497	50,733
Total	69,069	58,040

Accounting Policy

Sale of Services

The hire of equipment is only charged when performing scheduled capital and maintenance based works in connection with the Authorities infrastructure only and is invoiced in arrears. Administration charges - on completion of the requested service and license fees and is

B1-3 Grants and Other Contributions		
Specific purpose capital grants	1,761,836	1,646,229
Total	1,761,836	1,646,229

Accounting Policy

Grants, contributions and donations are non-reciprocal transactions where the Authority does not directly give approximately equal value to the grantor.

Where the grant agreement is enforceable and contains sufficiently specific performance obligations for the Authority to transfer goods or services to a third-party on the grantor's behalf, the transaction is accounted for under AASB 15 *Revenue from Contracts with Customers*. In this case, revenue is initially deferred (as a contract liability) and recognised as or when the performance obligations are satisfied.

Otherwise, the grant is accounted for under AASB 1058 *Income of Not-for-Profit Entities*, whereby revenue is recognised upon receipt of the grant funding, except for special purpose capital grants received to construct non-financial assets to be controlled by the Authority. Special purpose capital grants are recognised as contract liability when received, and subsequently recognised progressively as revenue as the Authority satisfies its obligations under the grant through construction of the asset.

B1-4 Interest Income		
Interest Received - Online Fund	11,190	23,866
Interest Received - Entitlement Fund	38,107	13,418
Interest Received - Northern Development Fund	246,956	174,993
Interest Received - Southern Development Fund	48,452	46,727
Interest Received - Overdue Accounts	5,463	6,430
Total	348,168	265,433

B1-5 Gains on disposal/remeasurement of assets		
Net gains from disposal of property, plant and equipment	2,000	134,459
Total	2,000	134,459

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B2 - Expenses

B2-1 Employee Expenses

Employee Benefits

Wages and Salaries	1,481,662	1,529,256
Superannuation	251,562	241,168
Annual Leave Expense	70,481	69,086
Long Service Leave Expense	13,883	43,166

Employee Related Expenses

Workers Compensation	6,146	3,298
Payroll Tax	24,499	35,697
Other	181,022	162,928
Total	2,029,255	2,084,599

The number of employees as at 30 June 2024 including both full-time employees and part-time employees measured on a full-time equivalent basis is:

	2024	2023
Number of Employees	19	19

Accounting Policy

Employer superannuation contributions, annual leave and long service leave payments are regarded as employee benefits.

Payroll tax and workers' compensation insurance are a consequence of employing employees, but is not included as part of employees' total remuneration package. They are not employee benefits and are recognised separately as employee related expenses.

Wages, Salaries, and Personal leave

Wages and salaries due but unpaid at reporting date are recognised in the Statement of Financial Position at the current salary rates.

Superannuation

Employer superannuation contributions are paid to the employee's nominated superannuation fund. Contributions are expensed in the period in which they are paid. This liability is treated as a creditor of the Authority and no provision is shown in the financial statements.

Key Management Personnel and Remuneration

Key management personnel and remuneration disclosures are made in accordance with Section 5 to the Financial Reporting Requirements for Queensland Government Agencies issued by Queensland Treasury. Refer to Remuneration Note for the disclosures on key management personnel and remuneration.

	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Remuneration of Board Members		
Board Members		
Payments in respect of attendance at Meetings	21,640	32,280
Total Payments to Board Members	<u>21,640</u>	<u>32,280</u>
Board Members whose income was within the following bands:		
Earnings in the range \$0 - \$5,000	8	5
Earnings in the range \$5,001 - \$15,000	0	3
Earnings in excess of \$15,001	0	0

Details of Key Management Personnel

The following details for key management personnel include those Water Authority positions that had authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of the Water Authority during 2023-24 and 2022-23.

Position	Position Responsibility
Chairperson	The strategic leadership, guidance and effective oversight of the management of the Board, including its operational and financial performance.
Board Member	Responsible for the strategic leadership and direction of the Board.
Executive Officer	Responsible for the day to day operations, finances, governance and due diligence of the Authority.
Operations Manager	Responsible for maintaining all plant and equipment, maintaining aquifers and providing entitlement holders with surface water when requested.
Finance Manager	Responsible for providing high quality, consistent and cost effective financial services to all the Authority's functional areas.

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Remuneration Expenses

Board members receive payment for attendance at Board Meetings and Special Assignments where they attend a meeting or conference on behalf of the Water Authority.

Category 2 Water Authorities		
Position	Meetings more than four hours duration	Meetings fewer than four hours duration
Chairperson	\$520	\$260
Director / Member	\$400	\$200

The chairperson and directors are entitled to be paid allowances while travelling on approved business and attending meetings in accordance with the following arrangements:

- economy class air travel;
- motor vehicle allowances prescribed in Motor Vehicle Allowances Directive No. 20/16; and
- travelling expenses prescribed in Domestic Travelling and Relieving Expenses Directive No 01/23.

	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Chairperson	1,425.00	-
Trustee	-	-
Member	-	-
Total	1,425.00	-

Key Executive Management Personnel

The following details for key executive management personnel include those positions that had authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of the Authority for the 2023-24 period. Further information on these positions can be found in the body of the Annual Report under the Section relating to Executive Management.

Position	Current Incumbents*	
	Contract classification and	Date appointed to position
Executive Officer	Salary	Appointed 4/06/2012
Operations Manager	Salary	Appointed 28/08/1989
Operations Manager (Temporary contract)	Salary	Appointed 17/07/2023 Ended 07/06/2024
Finance Manager	Salary	Appointed 25/10/2010

* Date appointed to position refers to the date appointed by the predecessor abolished Water Board from which employee was transferred to Lower Burdekin Water on 18 February 2015.

Remuneration

Remuneration policy for the Authority's key executive management personnel is set by Lower Burdekin Water. The remuneration and other terms of employment for the key executive management personnel are specified in individual employment contracts.

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Remuneration expenses for key executive management personnel comprises the following components:

- Short term employee benefits which include:

* Base - consisting of base salary, allowances and leave entitlements paid and provided for the entire year or for that part of the year during

* Non-monetary benefits - consisting of provision of a vehicle together with fringe benefits tax applicable to the benefit.

- Long term employee benefits including long service leave accrued.
- Post employment benefits include superannuation contributions.
- Redundancy payments are not provided for within individuals contracts of employment. Contracts of employment provide only for notice periods or payment in lieu of notice of termination, regardless of the reason of termination.
- Performance bonuses are not paid under contracts in place.
- Total fixed remuneration is calculated on a 'total cost' basis and includes the base and non-monetary benefits, long term employee

1 July 2023 - 30 June 2024

Position	Short Term Employee Expenses		Long Term Employee Expenses	Post Employment Expenses	Termination Benefits	Total Expenses
	Monetary Expenses	Non-Monetary Benefits				
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Executive Officer	211,492	Full private use of company vehicle subject to FBT, Reportable Employee FBT amount was \$24,323	Accrued long service leave provision amount was \$3,513.92	25,216	-	264,545
Operations Manager (Temporary Contracted)	116,800	Full private use of company vehicle subject to FBT, Reportable Employee FBT amount was \$13,061	Accrued long service leave provision amount was \$1,958.37	18,800	-	150,619
Operations Manager	139,746	Full private use of company vehicle subject to FBT, Reportable Employee FBT amount was \$12,744	Accrued long service leave provision amount was \$3,806.19	22,525	0	178,621
Finance Officer	127,800	Full private use of company vehicle subject to FBT, Reportable Employee FBT amount was \$14,270	Accrued long service leave provision amount was \$3,155.70	19,964	-	165,190
Total Remuneration	595,838	64,398	12,234	86,505	-	758,975

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Position	Short Term Employee Expenses		Long Term Employee Expenses	Post Employment Expenses	Termination Benefits	Total Expenses
	Monetary Expenses \$	Non-Monetary Benefits \$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Executive Officer	205,882	Full private use of company vehicle subject to FBT, Reportable Employee FBT amount was \$20,324	Accrued long service leave provision amount was \$1,171	26,781	-	242,939
Technical Services Manager	91,512	Full private use of company vehicle subject to FBT, Reportable Employee FBT amount was \$5,889	Accrued long service leave provision amount was \$773	14,983	-	110,154
Operations Manager	140,615	Full private use of company vehicle subject to FBT, Reportable Employee FBT amount was \$10,959	Accrued long service leave provision amount was \$1,203	28,502	-	180,575
Finance Officer	118,344	Full private use of company vehicle subject to FBT, Reportable Employee FBT amount was \$16,048	Accrued long service leave provision amount was \$1,011	23,953	-	159,356
Total Remuneration	556,352	53,220	4,158	94,219	-	693,024

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B2-2 Related Party Transactions

Transactions with people/entities related to Key Management Personnel (KMP).

The Authority is in the process of entering into a sale contract and works deed for a parcel of land with a KMP. The Contract purchase price is \$10,129.

Several KMP had numerous revenue based transactions throughout the reporting period. Since these transactions are in the ordinary course of business, they have not been disclosed.

	2024 \$	2023 \$
B2-3 Supplies and Services		
<i>Administration</i>		
Overheads	793,866	840,273
<i>Operations</i>		
Vehicles	120,019	118,812
Equipment	259,378	323,450
Pump Stations	1,821,108	1,292,553
Channels	29,174	13,410
Research and Development	103,504	289,610
Water Allocation Charges	244,325	767,775
<i>Maintenance</i>		
Vehicles	27,850	25,368
Equipment	75,401	102,047
Pump Stations	176,684	75,439
Channels	116,780	101,111
Dams	374	850
Aquifers	-	2,811
Workshop	45,021	39,503
Total	3,813,485	3,993,013

External Audit Fees

Total External Audit Fees payable to Queensland Audit Office relating to the 2023-24 period are forecasted to be \$44,000. There are no non-assurance services included in this amount.

Accounting Policy

For a transaction to be classified as supplies and services, the value of goods and services received by the Authority must be of approximately equal value to the value of the consideration exchanged for those goods or services.

Depreciation

Depreciation were incurred in respect of

Buildings	47,171	49,315
Plant & Equipment	368,355	329,574
Infrastructure	1,725,417	1,747,829
Total	2,140,944	2,126,718

Loss on disposal/remeasurement of assets

Net loss from disposal of property, plant and equipment	24,386	166,499
Net loss from disposal of infrastructure	2,246	-
Total	26,632	166,499

C1 Cash and Cash Equivalents

Operating Fund Bank Account	1,663,967	523,363
Online Interest Account	31,245	2,575,213
Leave Provision Account	910,275	674,168
Northern Development Account	7,347,763	7,100,807
Southern Development Account	1,042,071	993,619
Petty Cash	-	200
Total	10,995,521	12,067,389

Online Interest Account - \$2.5m was transferred to the Operating Fund for fund capital projects throughout 2023/24.

Accounting Policy

Cash and cash equivalents include all cash and cheques receipted at 30 June as well as deposits held at call with financial institutions. Cash equivalents are short-term, highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and which are subject to insignificant risk of changes in value. Investments qualify as cash equivalents if they have a short maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition.

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	2024 \$	2023 \$
C2 Receivables		
Trade Receivables and Accruals	866,805	547,130
Provision for Impairment	(249)	(249)
GST Receivable	41,800	92
Total	<u>908,356</u>	<u>546,973</u>
C3 Contract Assets		
Contract Assets	16,600	-
Total	<u>16,600</u>	<u>-</u>

Accounting Policy

Trade debtors are recognised at the amounts due at the time of sale or service delivery. Settlement of these amounts is required within 30 days from invoice date.

The collectability of receivables is assessed periodically with provision being made for expected credit losses. The loss allowance is estimated based on the probability and timing of potential defaults, and takes into account forecasts of future economic conditions as well as past events. All known bad debts were written-off as at 30 June.

Contract assets arise from contracts with customers, and are transferred to receivables when the Authorities right to payment becomes unconditional.

Non Current Assets

	2024 \$	2023 \$
C4 Intangible Assets		
Purchase of Additional 45,000 ML of Water Allocation	4,500,000	4,500,000
Total	<u>4,500,000</u>	<u>4,500,000</u>

Accounting Policy

Intangible assets with a cost or other value greater than \$100,000 are recognised in the statement of financial position, items with a lesser value being expensed. Each intangible asset is amortised over its estimated useful life to the Authority, less any anticipated residual value. The residual value is zero for all the Authority's intangible assets. If the useful life of the intangible asset is indefinite then the asset is not amortised.

Purchase of Additional 45,000 ML Water Allocation above the allocations gazetted in 1992.

The purchase of an additional 45,000 megalitres of water allocation above the allocations gazetted in 1992 was based on a commercial contractual agreement. This allocation is non-transferrable under current provisions contained within the *Water Act 2000*. The asset has been recorded at cost.

The intangible asset is the purchase price for an indefinite life licence for water allocation from the board of the Department of Regional Development, Manufacturing and Water. The licence for water allocation is tradeable at market value. The water volume is replenished every year from the Burdekin Dam.

The intangible asset is assessed for indicators of impairment on an annual basis. If an indicator of possible impairment exists, the Authority determines the asset's recoverable amount. Any amount by which the asset's carrying amount exceeds the recoverable amount is recorded as an impairment loss.

Intangible assets are principally assessed for impairment by reference to the actual and expected continuing use of the asset by the Authority. The recoverable amount is determined as the higher of the asset's fair value less costs to sell and its value-in-use.

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C5 Property, Plant and Equipment Reconciliation

	Land 2023	Buildings 2023	Infrastructure 2023	Plant & Equipment 2023	Capital Works in Progress 2023	TOTALS 2023
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Gross	439,249	1,966,035	94,034,961	4,255,663	7,647,254	108,343,163
Less: Accumulated depreciation	-	(774,860)	(39,025,539)	(2,038,587)	-	(41,838,986)
Less: Accumulated impairment losses	-	-	-	-	-	-
Carrying amount at 30 June 2023	439,249	1,191,176	55,009,421	2,217,077	7,647,254	66,504,176
Carrying amount at 1 July 2022	402,549	1,194,026	51,779,446	1,925,033	4,078,841	59,379,894
Acquisitions	-	-	142,004	882,928	5,301,975	6,326,906
Disposals	-	-	(166,504)	(261,310)	-	(427,814)
Transfers between asset classes	-	-	1,733,561	-	(1,733,561)	-
Revaluation Increment / (Decrement)	36,700	46,465	3,268,737	-	-	3,351,902
Depreciation	-	(49,315)	(1,747,829)	(329,574)	-	(2,126,718)
Carrying amount at 30 June 2023	439,249	1,191,176	55,009,421	2,217,077	7,647,254	66,504,176
	Land 2024	Buildings 2024	Infrastructure 2024	Plant & Equipment 2024	Capital Works in Progress 2024	TOTALS 2024
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Gross	542,699	1,770,000	115,418,763	4,325,353	13,022,537	135,079,352
Less: Accumulated depreciation	-	(969,149)	(44,484,401)	(2,390,398)	-	(47,843,948)
Carrying amount at 30 June 2024	542,699	800,851	70,934,362	1,934,955	13,022,537	87,235,403
Carrying amount at 1 July 2023	439,249	1,191,176	55,009,421	2,217,077	7,647,254	66,504,176
Acquisitions	-	-	481,555	110,944	5,815,365	6,187,864
Disposals	-	-	(28,873)	(24,711)	-	(53,584)
Transfers between asset classes	-	-	240,082	-	(240,082)	-
Revaluation Increment / (Decrement)	103,450	(343,153)	16,977,595	-	-	16,737,891
Depreciation	-	(47,171)	(1,725,417)	(368,355)	-	(2,140,944)
Carrying amount at 30 June 2024	542,699	800,851	70,934,362	1,934,955	13,022,537	87,235,403

Accounting Policy

The capital works in progress relate to Infrastructure Major Works (\$12,371,513) and other smaller capital projects.

Acquisition of Assets

Historical cost is utilised for all property, plant and equipment acquisitions. Cost is determined as the value given as consideration plus costs incidental to the acquisition, including all other costs incurred in getting the assets ready for use, including architects' fees and engineering design fees. However, any training costs are expensed as incurred.

Assets acquired at no cost or for nominal consideration are recognised at their fair value at date of acquisition in accordance with AASB 116 Property, Plant and Equipment.

Recognition of Property, Plant & Equipment

Items of property, plant and equipment with a cost or other value equal to or in excess of the following thresholds are recognised for financial reporting purposes in the year of acquisition:

Buildings	\$5,000
Infrastructure	\$5,000
Plant & Equipment	\$5,000
Land	\$1

For any minor plant and equipment assets costing between \$1,000 to \$5,000 these assets will be included on the depreciation schedule in a low value pool. These assets will not be subject to a Capital Expenditure Authorisation approval prior to purchase and will be fully depreciated in the relevant financial year in which the asset is purchased. Minor individualised computer equipment that falls into the \$1,000 to \$5,000 range i.e. laptop will not be included in the low value pool and instead will be shown as a separate line item in the depreciation schedule and will not be subject to Capital Expenditure Authorisation approval.

Items with a lesser value are expensed in the year of acquisition excluding flow meters costing less than \$5,000 will be included on the depreciation schedule in the infrastructure asset class.

Expenditure is capitalised where it is probable that the expenditure will produce future service potential for the Authority. Subsequent expenditure is only added to an asset's carrying amount if it increases the service potential or useful life of that asset. Maintenance expenditure that merely restores original service potential (lost through ordinary wear and tear) is expensed.

Plant and equipment is measured at historical cost in accordance with Queensland Treasury's Non Current Asset Policies for the Queensland Public Sector. The carrying amounts for such plant and equipment is not materially different from their fair value.

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Depreciation

Land is not depreciated as it has an unlimited useful life.

Buildings and property, plant and equipment are depreciated on a straight-line basis so as to allocate the net cost or revalued amount of each asset, less its estimated residual value, progressively over its estimated useful life to the Authority.

The estimation of useful lives of assets for any newly acquired assets between full comprehensive asset revaluations will be determined based on the contracted asset revaluation company's advice, manufacturer's advice, historical experience with similar assets as well as considerations such as asset turnover practices. Reassessment of useful lives are undertaken annually by the Authority. Any consequential adjustments to remaining useful life estimates are implemented prospectively.

Assets under construction (work-in-progress) are not depreciated until they reach service delivery capacity. Service delivery capacity relates to when construction is complete and the asset is first put to use or is installed ready for use in accordance with its intended application. These assets are then reclassified to the relevant classes with property, plant and equipment.

Where assets have separately identifiable components that are subject to regular replacement, these components are assigned useful lives distinct from the asset to which they relate and are depreciated accordingly.

Any expenditure that increases the original capacity or service potential of an asset is capitalised and the new depreciable amount is depreciated over the remaining useful life of the asset to the Authority.

For each class of depreciable asset the following depreciation rates are used:

Buildings	2-43 years
Plant & Equipment	1-35 years
Infrastructure	20-100 years

Measurement of Asset Revaluation

Property, plant and equipment classes measured at fair value are revalued on an annual basis either by appraisals undertaken by an independent professional valuer or internal expert, or by the use of appropriate and relevant indices in years intervening comprehensive revaluations. A comprehensive revaluation was completed in May 2024 with a date of effect 30/06/2024. Management have undertaken an extensive review of the revaluation process, and reported to the Board regarding the outcomes and recommendations.

If a particular asset class experiences significant and volatile changes in fair value, that class is subject to specific appraisal in the reporting period, where practicable, regardless of the timing of the last specific appraisal.

Revaluation Fair Value Measurement of Infrastructure, Land and Buildings

The determination of LBW's Fair Values by independent professional valuers (Marsh Valuations Services) was based on following approach inline with AASB116 and the measurement of which is defined in AASB 13 This is usually determined using a sales based market value approach. However, the methodology adopted in determining the fair value of the asset will depend on the level of specialisation of the asset, the existence of a market for the asset and the existence of market evidence. There are instances where assets are not sold except as part of a continuing business. Where a market value approach is not suitable an alternative approach is the cost approach. These approaches are discussed below.

MARKET APPROACH

This approach is based on available sales evidence using either the direct comparison, summation or income approaches. The direct comparison and summation methods involve the inspection and analysis of sales evidence and comparisons with the subject property taking into account matters such as method of construction, building area, condition, age, land area and location. The Authority notes the direct comparison approach has been utilised in the assessment of fair value of land assets and is based on assumptions as to whether an active market exists or whether this land is subject to any restrictions or sale. Due to the general characteristics of land held by the Authority and the absence of an active market, the this is deemed a Level 3 input.

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COST APPROACH (CURRENT REPLACEMENT COST)

There are circumstances where the market approach is not suitable as the asset is rarely sold except as part of the continuing business. Alternatively, the improvements are of a specialised nature and the market buying price would differ materially to the market selling price as the asset is normally brought as a new asset but only be sold for its residual value. Under these circumstances the most appropriate method is the cost approach.

Assets for which the cost approach may be suitable include going concern assets such as specialised buildings, infrastructure or other assets that cannot be reliably estimated due to the lack of market evidence. If the asset is leased on a commercial basis there may be the opportunity to undertake the valuation on a market basis.

The infrastructure and building asset valuations have been undertaken on a cost approach. The cost approach is deemed a Level 3 input. Under this approach, the following process has been adopted.

Inputs to the valuation include the design and construction, average cost of construction, condition and consumption score for each component. As these are supported by observable evidence obtained via inspection and market evidence they have been classified as Level 2 inputs. The unobservable inputs under the assess the level of remaining service potential required extensive professional judgement and impacted significantly the final determination of fair value. As such, these assets were classified as being valued using Level 3 valuation inputs.

The cost approach is based on determining the replacement cost of the modern equivalent asset and then adjusting for the level of consumed future economic benefit and impairment. This approach estimates the replacement cost for each asset by componentising the assets into significant parts with different useful lives and taking into account a range of factors. Under this approach, the cost to replace the asset is calculated and then adjusted to take into account any accumulated depreciation.

Indicators of Impairment and Determining Recoverable Amount

As a not-for-profit entity, certain property, plant and equipment of the Water Authority are held for the continuing use of its service capacity, and not for the generation of cash flows. Such assets are typically specialised in nature. In accordance with AASB 136, where such assets measured at fair value under AASB 13, that fair value (with no adjustment for disposal costs) is effectively deemed to be the recoverable amount. Consequently, impairment does not apply to such assets unless they are measured at cost.

For all property, plant and equipment and intangible assets to which impairment applies, the Water Authority assesses for indicators of impairment annually. Where indicators exist, impairment is accounted for differently, depending on the type of asset, as follows.

- Plant and equipment and intangible assets, which are measured at cost, are reduced to the asset's recoverable amount, being the higher of the asset's fair value less costs of disposal and its value in use. The adjustment is recorded as an impairment loss.
- For non-specialised property measured at fair value, the only difference between the asset's fair value and its recoverable amount is the costs of disposal. Consequently, the fair value of the asset will materially approximate its recoverable amount where the disposal costs are negligible. Where disposal costs are not negligible, the asset is reduced to its recoverable amount via a revaluation decrement.

Recognising Impairment Losses

For assets measured at fair value, the impairment loss is treated as a revaluation decrease and offset against the asset revaluation surplus of the relevant class to the extent available. Where no asset revaluation surplus is available in respect of the class of asset, the loss is expensed in the statement of comprehensive income as a revaluation decrement. For assets measured at cost, an impairment loss is recognised immediately in the statement of comprehensive income.

Reversal of Impairment Losses

Where an impairment loss subsequently reverses, the carrying amount of the asset is increased to the revised estimate of its recoverable amount, but so that the increased carrying amount does not exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined had no impairment loss been recognised for the asset in prior years.

For assets measured at fair value, to the extent the original decrease was expensed through the statement of comprehensive income, the reversal is recognised in income, otherwise the reversal is treated as a revaluation increase for the class of asset through asset revaluation surplus.

For assets measured at cost, impairment losses are reversed through income.

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	2024 \$	2023 \$
C6 Payables		
Trade Payables and Accruals	1,498,557	1,668,084
	<u>1,498,557</u>	<u>1,868,084</u>

Accounting Policy

Trade creditors are recognised upon receipt of the goods or services ordered and are measured at the agreed purchase/contract price, gross of applicable trade and other discounts. Amounts owing are unsecured and are generally settled on 30 day terms.

C7 Borrowings - Current

Queensland Treasury Corporation Borrowings	247,988	247,988
	<u>247,988</u>	<u>247,988</u>

C7 Borrowings - Non-current

Queensland Treasury Corporation Borrowings	4,942,730	5,190,808
	<u>4,942,730</u>	<u>5,190,808</u>

Total Provision for Borrowings	CF2	<u>5,190,719</u>	<u>5,438,796</u>
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Accounting Policy

Borrowings are initially recognised at fair value, plus any transaction costs directly attributable to the borrowings, then subsequently held at amortised cost using the effective interest method. The effective interest rate is the rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash payments through the expected life of a financial liability to the amortised cost of the liability. The fair value of borrowings are subsequently measured at market value.

Any borrowing costs are added to the carrying amount of the borrowing to the extent they are not settled in the period in which they arise. Borrowings are split between current and non-current liabilities using the principles set out in the foreword and preparation information section of this financial report.

All borrowings by the Authority are from the Queensland Treasury Corporation (QTC), for terms of 20 years. There have been no defaults or breaches of the loan agreement. No assets have been pledged as security for any borrowings.

The interest rate for the three loan borrowings are 2.06%, 2.21% and 2.35%. No interest has been capitalised during the current or comparative period.

C8 Provision for Employee Benefits - Current

Annual Leave	216,715	226,606
Long Service Leave	249,647	404,914
Personal Leave	55,480	53,475
Employee related on-costs	4,288	9,088
	<u>526,129</u>	<u>694,082</u>

C8 Provision for Employee Benefits - Non-current

Long Service Leave	1,031	4,967
	<u>1,031</u>	<u>4,967</u>

Total Provision for Employee Benefits	<u>527,160</u>	<u>699,049</u>
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Accounting Policy

Provisions are recorded when the Authority has a present obligation, either legal or constructive as a result of a past event. They are recognised at the amount expected at reporting date for which the obligation will be settled in a future period. Where the settlement of the obligation is expected after 12 or more months, the obligation is discounted to the present value using an appropriate discount rate.

Personal Leave

Prior history indicates that on average, personal leave taken each reporting period is less than the entitlement accrued. This is expected to continue in future periods. Accordingly, it is unlikely that existing accumulated entitlements will be used by employees and no liability for unused personal leave entitlements is recognised except for the one employee to whom personal leave vests, where the personal leave expense is recognised as it accrues.

Long Service Leave

A liability for long service leave is measured as the present value of the estimated future cash outflows to be made in respect of services provided by employees up to the reporting date. The interest rates, as at the reporting date, of Commonwealth Government guaranteed securities are used to discount the estimated future cash outflows to their present value. The Authority has chosen to calculate the value of the liability based on current pay rates and projected future increases in those rates and also includes related employee on costs. The liability is treated as a provision of the Authority.

Annual Leave

A liability for annual leave is recognised and based on current wage and salary levels with an additional allowance being made for annual leave loading and superannuation. The liability is treated as a provision of the Authority.

	2024	2023
	\$	\$
C9 Other Current Liabilities		
Accrued Expenses	16,494	15,456
Contract Liabilities	123,674	406,138
	<u>140,168</u>	<u>421,593</u>

C10 Asset Revaluation Surplus by Class:

	Land	Buildings	Infrastructure	Total
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Balance 1 July 2022	-	722,705	11,486,394	12,209,099
Revaluation Increment	36,700	46,465	3,268,737	3,351,902
Carrying amount at 30 June 2023	<u>36,700</u>	<u>769,169</u>	<u>14,755,131</u>	<u>15,561,001</u>
	Land	Buildings	Infrastructure	Total
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Balance 1 July 2023	36,700	769,169	14,755,131	15,561,001
Revaluation Increment	103,450	(343,153)	16,977,595	16,737,891
Carrying amount at 30 June 2024	<u>140,150</u>	<u>426,016</u>	<u>31,732,726</u>	<u>32,298,892</u>

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D1 Commitments and Contingencies

The Authority currently implements a cash reserve balance contingency that is used to fund capital projects and is set at a level which covers five months of budgeted expenses (excluding non cash items i.e. depreciation) at any one time including all accrued employee benefits. This acts as a risk mitigation strategy.

The Authority is a party to the Bindal People Native Title determination application to the Federal Court. The Authority owns and operates water distribution infrastructure on lands within the application area. The Authority joined on the first of August 2017 as a co-respondent to Federal Court proceedings QUD203/2016 and as at 30 June 2024 the applicants are yet to establish connectivity. It is not possible to make a reliable estimate of the final amount payable. The Authority will continue to work through this process over the coming years.

As at 30 June 2024 there is one capital project that has contractual commitments that are ongoing. This project is scheduled to be completed in the 2024-25 financial year. LBW expects to receive a further \$40,000 as per the contract, and will be incurring further costs.

The Authority entered into the whole of government electricity contract for selected pump stations in June 2021. The contract commenced in July 2021 and will finish in December 2028. During the contractual period neither party may terminate or has any right to terminate or obtain any order with the effect of terminating the contract. Following the expiration of the term of the contract the Authority will need to secure another electricity retail contract with a retail provider. Given the rate in which other entities are moving away from the regulated tariffs, it is reasonable to believe that the contestable energy retail market will be a lot stronger at the end of the contractual period than it is currently. The anticipated forecasted annual savings should limit the financial risk to ensure sufficient funds are available to cater for any excess or shortfall charges if they are incurred.

D2 Events Occurring after Balance Date

There are no events occurring after balance date.

D3 Climate Related Risk Disclosure

The State of Queensland, as the ultimate parent of the Water Authority, has published a wide range of information and resources on climate related risks, strategies and actions accessible via <https://www.energyandclimate.qld.gov.au/climate>

The Queensland Sustainability Report (QSR) outlines how the Queensland Government measures, monitors and manages sustainability risks and opportunities, including governance structures supporting policy oversight and implementation. To demonstrate progress, the QSR also provides time series data on key sustainability policy responses. The QSR is available via Queensland Treasury's website at <https://www.treasury.qld.gov.au/programs-and-policies/queensland-sustainability-report>

No adjustments to the carrying value of assets held by the Water Authority were recognised during the financial year as a result of climate-related risks impacting current accounting estimates and judgements. No other transactions have been recognised during the financial year specifically due to climate-related risks impacting the Water Authority.

Water authorities who are impacted by material climate related risks should refer to the guidance in Financial Reporting Requirement 1A.

<https://www.treasury.qld.gov.au/resource/financial-reporting-requirements-queensland-government-agencies/>

	2024 \$	2023 \$
CF1 Reconciliation of Operating Result to Net Cash from Operating Activities		
Operating surplus/(deficit)	4,205,451	2,151,248
Non-Cash items:		
Depreciation expense	2,140,944	2,126,718
Gains on disposal of property, plant and equipment	(2,000)	(134,459)
Loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment	24,386	166,499
Loss on disposal of infrastructure	2,246	-
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:		
Decrease in trade debtors	(266,091)	308,716
Decrease in contract assets	(16,600)	441,522
(Increase)/decrease in GST payable/receivable	(41,708)	68,096
(Increase) in inventories	(32,638)	(6,138)
(Increase)/decrease in other current assets	(2,444)	1,866
Increase/(decrease) in trade creditors	(450,951)	432,833
Increase in provision for employee benefits	(171,890)	(67,608)
Net cash from operating activities	5,388,704	5,489,291

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CF2 Changes in Liabilities Arising from Financing Activities

2024

	Non-cash changes				Cash flows		
	Opening Balance	Transfers to/(from) other Queensland Government entities	New leases acquired	Other [specify]	Cash received	Cash repayments	Closing balance
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Borrowings	5,438,796	-	-	-	-	(248,077)	5,190,719
Total	5,438,796	-	-	-	-	(248,077)	5,190,719

2023

	Non-cash changes				Cash flows		
	Opening Balance	Transfers to/(from) other Queensland Government entities	New leases acquired	Other [specify]	Cash received	Cash repayments	Closing balance
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Borrowings	5,681,078	-	-	-	-	(242,282)	5,438,796
Total	5,681,078	-	-	-	-	(242,282)	5,438,796

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For the year ended 30 June 2024

CERTIFICATE OF LOWER BURDEKIN WATER

These general purpose financial statements have been prepared pursuant to s.62(1) of the *Financial Accountability Act 2009* (the Act), section 39 of the *Financial and Performance Management Standard 2019* and other prescribed requirements. In accordance with s.62(1)(b) of the Act we certify that in our opinion:

- a) The prescribed requirements for establishing and keeping the accounts have been complied with in all material respects; and
- b) The financial statements have been drawn up to present a true and fair view, in accordance with prescribed accounting standards, of the transactions of Lower Burdekin Water for the financial period ended 30 June 2024 and of the financial position of the Authority as at the end of that year, and
- c) We acknowledge responsibility under s.7 and s.11 of the *Financial and Performance Management Standard 2019* for the establishment and maintenance, in all material respects, of an appropriate and effective system on internal controls and risk management processes with respect to financial reporting throughout the reporting period.



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H. Stanton
CHAIRPERSON



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D. Sartori
EXECUTIVE OFFICER

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Lower Burdekin Water

Report on the audit of the financial report

Opinion

I have audited the accompanying financial report of Lower Burdekin Water.

The financial report comprises the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2024, the statement of comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the year then ended, notes to the financial statements including material accounting policy information, and the management certificate.

In my opinion, the financial report:

- a) gives a true and fair view of the entity's financial position as at 30 June 2024, and its financial performance and cash flows for the year then ended
- b) complies with the *Financial Accountability Act 2009*, the Financial and Performance Management Standard 2019 and Australian Accounting Standards – Simplified Disclosures.

Basis for opinion

I conducted my audit in accordance with the *Auditor-General Auditing Standards*, which incorporate the Australian Auditing Standards. My responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report* section of my report.

I am independent of the entity in accordance with the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including Independence standards)* (the Code) that are relevant to my audit of the financial report in Australia. I have also fulfilled my other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code and the *Auditor-General Auditing Standards*.

I believe that the audit evidence I have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my opinion.

Responsibilities of the entity for the financial report

The Board is responsible for the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view in accordance with the *Financial Accountability Act 2009*, the Financial and Performance Management Standard 2019 and Australian Accounting Standards – Simplified Disclosures, and for such internal control as the Board determines is necessary to enable the preparation of the financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

The Board is also responsible for assessing the entity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters relating to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless it is intended to abolish the entity or to otherwise cease operations.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial report

My objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an **auditor's report that includes my opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance**, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of this financial report.

A further description of my responsibilities for the audit of the financial report is located at the Auditing and Assurance Standards Board website at:

https://www.auasb.gov.au/auditors_responsibilities/ar4.pdf

This description forms part of my auditor's report.

Report on other legal and regulatory requirements

Statement

In accordance with s.40 of the *Auditor-General Act 2009*, for the year ended 30 June 2024:

- a) I received all the information and explanations I required.
- b) I consider that, the prescribed requirements in relation to the establishment and keeping of accounts were complied with in all material respects.

Prescribed requirements scope

The prescribed requirements for the establishment and keeping of accounts are contained in the *Financial Accountability Act 2009*, any other Act and the Financial and Performance Management Standard 2019. The applicable requirements include those **for keeping financial records that correctly record and explain the entity's transactions** and account balances to enable the preparation of a true and fair financial report.



Lisa Fraser
as delegate of the Auditor-General

23 September 2024
Queensland Audit Office
Brisbane

LOWER HERBERT WATER MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY

**FINANCIAL REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED
30 JUNE 2024**

LOWER HERBERT WATER MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY

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**STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2024**

	Note	2024 \$	2023 \$
Income			
Revenue	2	290,967	251,975
Other income	2	19,501	7,840
		310,468	259,815
Expenditure			
Accountancy expenses		(2,831)	(2,340)
Auditor's remuneration		(4,700)	(4,000)
Depreciation		(60,620)	(60,620)
Director's fees	3	(5,616)	(5,539)
Other expenses	3	(137,311)	(239,023)
Operating result from continuing operations		99,390	(51,707)

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

LOWER HERBERT WATER MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30 JUNE 2024

	Note	2024 \$	2023 \$
ASSETS			
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	4	839,997	683,811
Trade and other receivables	5	14,882	11,058
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		<u>854,879</u>	<u>694,869</u>
NON-CURRENT ASSETS			
Property, plant and equipment	6	1,705,649	1,766,269
Intangible assets	7	80,000	80,000
TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS		<u>1,785,649</u>	<u>1,846,269</u>
TOTAL ASSETS		<u>2,640,528</u>	<u>2,541,138</u>
LIABILITIES			
TOTAL LIABILITIES		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>2,640,528</u>	<u>2,541,138</u>
EQUITY			
Accumulated Surplus		<u>2,640,528</u>	<u>2,541,138</u>
TOTAL EQUITY		<u>2,640,528</u>	<u>2,541,138</u>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2024

	Note	Retained earnings \$	Total \$
Balance at 1 July 2022		2,592,845	2,592,845
Operating result from continuing operations		(51,707)	(51,707)
Balance at 30 June 2023		2,541,138	2,541,138
Operating result from continuing operations		99,390	99,390
Balance at 30 June 2024		2,640,528	2,640,528

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

LOWER HERBERT WATER MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2024

	2024	2023
	\$	\$
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
<i>Inflows:</i>		
Rates and Charges	179,803	173,578
Interest Received	19,501	7,840
GST Collected on sales	1,981	1,099
GST Input Tax Credits from ATO	16,414	20,453
Other Income	103,121	77,501
<i>Outflows:</i>		
Administration Expenses	(55,945)	(53,649)
Operation and Maintenance	(94,514)	(197,251)
GST Paid on purchases	(14,175)	(24,272)
Net cash provided by operating activities	<u>156,186</u>	<u>5,299</u>
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	156,186	5,299
Cash at beginning of financial year	<u>683,811</u>	<u>678,512</u>
Cash and cash equivalents at end of financial year 4	<u>839,997</u>	<u>683,811</u>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

LOWER HERBERT WATER MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2024

1 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

These financial statements cover the Lower Herbert Water Management Authority (Water Authority). The Water Authority is a not-for-profit statutory body constituted under the Water Act 2000. The Water Authority does not control other entities. The financial statements include the value of all income, expenses, assets, liabilities and equity for the Water Authority as an individual entity. The objective of the Water Authority is to maintain drainage, infrastructure and the environment (i.e. Wetlands). The head office and principal place of business of the Water Authority is 11 - 13 Lannercost Street, Ingham.

The financial statements are authorised for issue by the Chairperson and Secretary at the date of signing the Management Certificate.

The financial statements have been prepared in compliance with the Financial Accountability Act 2009 and the Financial and Performance Management Standard 2019.

The Water Authority is a not-for-profit entity and these General Purpose financial statements are prepared in compliance with the requirements of Australian Accounting Standards - Simplified Disclosures and Australian Interpretations applicable to not-for-profit entities and the presentation requirements in these standards as modified by AASB 1060.

These financial statements are prepared on an accruals basis (with the exception of the statement of cash flows which is prepared on a cash basis).

With respect to compliance with Australian Accounting Standards and Interpretations, the Water Authority has applied those requirements applicable to not-for-profit public sector entity. Except where stated, the historical cost convention is used. All amounts throughout the Financial Statements are in Australian Dollars.

Revenue and Other Income

Revenue is recognised when the business is entitled to it.

Interest revenue

Interest revenue is recognised using the effective interest rate method.

Rendering of services

Revenue in relation to rendering of services is recognised depends on whether the outcome of the services can be measured reliably. If this is the case then the stage of completion of the services is used to determine the appropriate level of revenue to be recognised in the period. If the outcome cannot be reliably measured then revenue is recognised to the extent of expenses recognised that are recoverable.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2024

Grants contributions, donations and gifts arise from transactions that are non-reciprocal in nature (i.e. do not require any goods or services to be provided in return). Where the grant agreement is enforceable and contains sufficiently specific performance obligations for the Water Authority to transfer goods or services to a third-party on the grantor's behalf, the grant is accounted for under AASB 15 Revenue from Contracts with Customer. In this case revenue is initially deferred as unearned revenue (contract liability) and recognised as or when the performance obligations are satisfied.

Otherwise, the grant or donation is accounted for under AASB 1058 Income for Not-for-Profit Entities, whereby revenue is recognised upon receipt of the grant funding.

Income Tax

The Water Authority is exempted from income tax under the Income Tax Assessment Act 1936 and exempted from other forms of Commonwealth taxation with the exception of Fringe Benefits Tax (FBT) and Goods and Services Tax (GST).

Property, Plant and Equipment

Property, plant and equipment are carried at replacement cost for assets held at 1 July 2011 and at cost for assets acquired since 2 July 2011. All assets, are depreciated over their useful lives to the company. The depreciable amount of property, plant and equipment is depreciated on a straight-line basis. Depreciation commences from the time the asset is available for its intended use. Leasehold improvements are depreciated over the shorter of either the unexpired period of the lease or the estimated useful lives of the improvements.

Items of property, plant and equipment with a cost or other value equal to or in excess of the following thresholds are recognised for financial reporting purposes in the year of acquisition:

	Depn
	Value Rate %
Infrastructure	\$10,000 2 - 5

Items with a lesser value are expensed in the year of acquisition.

LOWER HERBERT WATER MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2024

Impairment of Non-Financial Assets

At the end of each reporting period the company determines whether there is evidence of an impairment indicator for non-financial assets.

Where this indicator exists and regardless for goodwill, indefinite life intangible assets and intangible assets not yet available for use, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated.

Where assets do not operate independently of other assets, the recoverable amount of the relevant cash-generating unit (CGU) is estimated.

The recoverable amount of an asset or CGU is the higher of the fair value less costs of disposal and the value in use. Value in use is the present value of the future cash flows expected to be derived from an asset or cash-generating unit.

Where the recoverable amount is less than the carrying amount, an impairment loss is recognised in profit or loss.

Reversal indicators are considered in subsequent periods for all assets which have suffered an impairment loss, except for goodwill.

Intangibles

Intangibles are carried at cost. All assets, are amortised over their useful lives to the company, other than Easements which do not have a finite life. The amortised amount of property, plant and equipment is amortised on a straight-line basis. Amortisation commences from the time the asset is available for its intended use.

Trade and Other Receivables

Trade receivables are recognised initially at the transaction price (i.e. cost) and are subsequently measured at cost less provision for impairment. Receivables expected to be collected within 12 months of the end of the reporting period are classified as current assets.

At the end of each reporting period, the carrying amount of trade and other receivables are reviewed to determine whether there is any objective evidence that the amounts are not recoverable. If so, an impairment loss is recognised immediately in income statement.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2024

Goods and Services Tax (GST)

Revenue, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of goods and services tax (GST), except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the Australian Taxation Office (ATO).

Receivables and payables are stated inclusive of GST.

Cash flows in the cash flow statement are included on a gross basis and the GST component of cash flows arising from investing or financing activities which is recoverable from, or payable to, the taxation authority is classified as operating cash flows.

The financial report was authorised for issue by the Chairperson and Secretary at the date of signing of the Management Certificate.

Accounting Estimates and Judgements

The preparation of financial statements necessarily requires the determination and use of certain critical accounting estimates, assumptions, and management judgements that have the potential to cause a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year. Such estimates, judgements and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised and in future periods as relevant.

Estimates and assumptions that have a potential significant effect are outlined in Note 6 - Property, Plant and Equipment.

New and Revised Accounting Standards

No new accounting standards were applied for the first time during the 2023-24 financial year.

No accounting pronouncements were early adopted in the 2023-24 financial year.

No voluntary changes in accounting policies occurred during the 2023-24.

LOWER HERBERT WATER MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2024**

	2024 \$	2023 \$
2 Revenue and Other Income		
Revenue		
Contributors	82,319	77,501
Rates & Charges	181,741	174,474
Landholder Reimbursements	6,907	-
Insurance Recovery	20,000	-
Total revenue	<u>290,967</u>	<u>251,975</u>
Other income		
Interest Received	19,501	7,840
Total other income	<u>19,501</u>	<u>7,840</u>
3 Expenses		
Director's Fees		
Director's Fees & Mileage	5,616	5,539
Total Director's Fees	<u>5,616</u>	<u>5,539</u>
Other Expenses		
Bank Charges	-	3
Debt Collection	1,451	10
Entertainment Expenses	100	241
Insurance	6,472	6,405
Mapping & Digital Data	-	1,618
Operational Costs	61,752	90,279
Permits, Licences & Fees	1,418	1,927
Postage, Printing & Stationery	325	55
Repairs & Maintenance	32,762	106,972
Secretarial Fees	33,031	31,458
Sundry Expenses	-	55
Total Other Expenses	<u>137,311</u>	<u>239,023</u>

The audit fees relating to the 2024 financial statements are estimated to be \$4,700 (2023: \$4,700). There are no non-audit services included in this amount.

LOWER HERBERT WATER MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2024**

	2024 \$	2023 \$
4 Cash and Cash Equivalents		
General Cheque Account	48,780	14,095
Asset Replacement Provision	344,646	-
Investment Account	146,571	107,817
Interest Bearing Term Deposits	300,000	561,899
	<u>839,997</u>	<u>683,811</u>
5 Trade and Other Receivables		
Current		
Trade Debtors	10,324	1,630
BAS Control Account	4,558	9,428
	<u>14,882</u>	<u>11,058</u>
6 Property, plant and equipment		
Infrastructure		
At Cost	2,464,680	2,464,680
Accumulated Depreciation	(759,031)	(698,411)
Total Infrastructure	<u>1,705,649</u>	<u>1,766,269</u>
Movements in Carrying Amounts of Property, plant and equipment		
Movement in the carrying amounts for each class of Property, plant and equipment between the beginning and the end of the current financial year.		
	Infrastructure \$	Total \$
Balance at 1 July 2022	1,826,889	1,826,889
Depreciation expense	(60,620)	(60,620)
Balance at 30 June 2023	1,766,269	1,766,269
Depreciation expense	(60,620)	(60,620)
Carrying amount at 30 June 2024	1,705,649	1,705,649
7 Intangible Assets		
Easement - Ripple Creek	80,000	80,000
Total	<u>80,000</u>	<u>80,000</u>

LOWER HERBERT WATER MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2024

	2024 \$	2023 \$
8 Key Management Personnel		
Remuneration Expenses		
Directors	5,616	5,539
	<u>5,616</u>	<u>5,539</u>

9 Related Party Transactions

Position	Services Provided	Expensed in 2023-24		Expensed in 2022-23	
		Date Paid	Amount	Date Paid	Amount
Director	Services rendered to the Board for Operations and Management for Contractor Spraying	24/01/24	5,063	10/01/23	5,246
Director	Services rendered to the Board for Operations and Management for Contractor Spraying	27/02/24	2,964	29/05/23	5,700
		Total	8,027	Total	10,946

10 Commitments

There are no commitments.

11 Contingent Assets and Contingent Liabilities

There are no Contingent Assets or Contingent Liabilities.

12 Events After the Balance Sheet Date

There are no events after Balance Sheet Date.

13 Climate related risk disclosure

No adjustments to the carrying value of assets were recognised during the financial year as a result of climate related risks impacting current accounting estimates and judgements. No other transactions have been recognised during the financial year due to climate related risks impacting the Water Authority.

LOWER HERBERT WATER MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY

MANAGEMENT CERTIFICATE

These general purpose financial statements have been prepared pursuant to s.62(1)(a) of the Financial Accountability Act 2009 (the Act), s.39 of the Financial and Performance Management Standard 2019 and other prescribed requirements. In accordance with s.62(1)(b) of the Act we certify that in our opinion:

1. The prescribed requirements for establishing and keeping the accounts have been complied with in all material respect; and
2. The financial statements have been drawn up to present a true and fair view, in accordance with the prescribed Accounting Standards, of the transactions of the Lower Herbert Water Management Authority for the financial year ended 30 June 2024 and of the financial position of the Water Authority as at the end of that year.

We acknowledge responsibility under s.7 and s.11 of the Financial and Performance Management Standard 2019 for the establishment and maintenance, in all material aspects, of an appropriate and effective system of internal controls and risk management processes with respect to financial reporting throughout the reporting period.

Chairperson:


Charles Girgenti

Secretary:


Maria Battoraro

Dated this Thirty-first day of July 2024

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Lower Herbert Water Management Authority

Report on the audit of the financial report

Opinion

I have audited the accompanying financial report of Lower Herbert Water Management Authority.

In my opinion, the financial report:

- a) gives a true and fair view of the entity's financial position as at 30 June 2024, and its financial performance and cash flows for the year then ended
- b) complies with the *Financial Accountability Act 2009*, the Financial and Performance Management Standard 2019 and Australian Accounting Standards – Simplified Disclosures.

The financial report comprises the balance sheet as at 30 June 2024, the statement of comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the year then ended, notes to the financial statements including material accounting policy information, and the management certificate.

Basis for opinion

I conducted my audit in accordance with the *Auditor-General Auditing Standards*, which incorporate the Australian Auditing Standards. My responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report* section of my report.

I am independent of the entity in accordance with the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants including independence standards* (the Code) that are relevant to my audit of the financial report in Australia. I have also fulfilled my other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code and the *Auditor-General Auditing Standards*.

I believe that the audit evidence I have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my opinion.

Responsibilities of the entity for the financial report

The Board is responsible for the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view in accordance with the *Financial Accountability Act 2009*, the Financial and Performance Management Standard 2019 and Australian Accounting Standards – Simplified Disclosures, and for such internal control as the Board determines is necessary to enable the preparation of the financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

The Board is also responsible for assessing the entity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters relating to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless it is intended to abolish the entity or to otherwise cease operations.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial report

My objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes my opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of this financial report.

A further description of my responsibilities for the audit of the financial report is located at the Auditing and Assurance Standards Board website at:

https://www.auasb.gov.au/auditors_responsibilities/ar4.pdf

This description forms part of my auditor's report.

Report on other legal and regulatory requirements

Statement

In accordance with s.40 of the *Auditor-General Act 2009*, for the year ended 30 June 2024:

- a) I received all the information and explanations I required.
- b) I consider that, the prescribed requirements in relation to the establishment and keeping of accounts were complied with in all material respects.

Prescribed requirements scope

The prescribed requirements for the establishment and keeping of accounts are contained in the *Financial Accountability Act 2009*, any other Act and the Financial and Performance Management Standard 2019. The applicable requirements include those for keeping financial records that correctly record and explain the entity's transactions and account balances to enable the preparation of a true and fair financial report.



29 August 2024

Lisa Fraser
as delegate of the Auditor-General

Queensland Audit Office
Brisbane

Orchard Creek - East Euramo Drainage Board

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the Year Ended 30 June 2024

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ORCHARD CREEK - EAST EURAMO DRAINAGE BOARD
Statement of Comprehensive Income
For the Year Ended 30 June 2024

OPERATING RESULT	Notes	2024	2023
Income from Continuing Operations			
User charges and fees	2	\$ 11,679	\$ 11,679
Interest	3	\$ 863	\$ 404
Total Income from Continuing Operations		\$ 12,542	\$ 12,082
Expenses from Continuing Operations			
Administration Expenses	4	\$ 6,653	\$ 5,945
Supplies and Services	5	\$ 691	\$ 2,791
Depreciation	8	\$ 32,229	\$ 29,841
Total Expenses from Continuing Operations		\$ 39,574	\$ 38,577
Operating Result from Continuing Operations		-\$ 27,032	-\$ 26,495
Operating Result for the Year		-\$ 27,032	-\$ 26,495
OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME			
<u>Items that will not be reclassified to operating result</u>			
Increase (decrease) in asset revaluation surplus	10	\$ -	\$ 28,884
Total Other Comprehensive Income		\$ -	\$ 28,884
Total Comprehensive Income		-\$ 27,032	\$ 2,389

The accompanying notes form part of these statements.

ORCHARD CREEK - EAST EURAMO DRAINAGE BOARD
Statement of Changes in Equity
For the Year Ended 30 June 2024

	Accumulated Surplus/Deficit	Asset Revaluation Surplus (Note 10)	TOTAL
Balance as at 1 July 2022	\$ 368,742	\$ 44,765	\$ 413,506
Operating Result			
<i>Operating result from continuing operations</i>	<i>-\$ 26,496</i>	<i>\$ -</i>	<i>-\$ 26,496</i>
Other Comprehensive Income			
Increase/(Decrease) in Asset revaluation surplus		\$ 28,884	\$ 28,884
Total Comprehensive Income	-\$ 26,496	\$ 28,884	\$ 2,388
Balance as at 30 June 2023	\$ 342,246	\$ 73,649	\$ 415,894
Balance as at 1 July 2023	\$ 342,246	\$ 73,649	\$ 415,894
Operating Result			
<i>Operating result from continuing operations</i>	<i>-\$ 27,032</i>	<i>\$ -</i>	<i>-\$ 27,032</i>
Other Comprehensive Income			
Increase/(Decrease) in Asset revaluation surplus			
Total Comprehensive Income	-\$ 27,032	\$ -	-\$ 27,032
Balance as at 30 June 2024	\$ 315,214	\$ 73,649	\$ 388,863

The accompanying notes form part of these statements.

ORCHARD CREEK - EAST EURAMO DRAINAGE BOARD

BALANCE SHEET

For the Year Ended 30 June 2024

	Notes	2024	2023
Current Assets			
Cash and Cash Equivalents	6	\$ 34,681	\$ 28,984
Receivables	7	-\$ 1	-\$ 1
Total Current Assets		\$ 34,680	\$ 28,983
Non Current Assets			
Property, plant and equipment	8	\$ 357,684	\$ 389,913
Total Non Current Assets		\$ 357,684	\$ 389,913
Total Assets		\$ 392,364	\$ 418,896
Current Liabilities			
Payables	9	\$ 3,501	\$ 3,001
Total Current Liabilities		\$ 3,501	\$ 3,001
Non Current Liabilities			
Other non current liabilities		\$ -	\$ -
Total Non-Current Liabilities			
Total Liabilities		\$ 3,501	\$ 3,001
Net Assets (Liabilities)		\$ 388,863	\$ 415,895
Equity			
Accumulated Surplus		\$ 315,214	\$ 342,246
Asset revaluation surplus	10	\$ 73,649	\$ 73,649
Total Equity		\$ 388,863	\$ 415,895

The accompanying notes form part of these statements.

ORCHARD CREEK - EAST EURAMO DRAINAGE BOARD
Statement of Cash Flows
For the Year Ended 30 June 2024

	Note	2024	2023
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
<i>Inflows:</i>			
Grants and other contributions			
User charges and fees		\$ 11,679	\$ 15,125
Interest Received		\$ 863	\$ 404
GST input tax credits from ATO		\$ 340	\$ 487
GST collected from customers		\$ 1,168	\$ 1,513
<i>Outflows:</i>			
Interest Paid			
Administrative expenses		-\$ 6,153	-\$ 5,645
Supplies and Services		-\$ 691	-\$ 2,791
GST paid to suppliers		-\$ 684	-\$ 844
GST remitted to ATO		-\$ 824	-\$ 789
Net cash provided by / (used in) operating activities		\$ 5,697	\$ 7,460
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		\$ 5,697	\$ 7,460
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of financial year	6	\$ 28,984	\$ 21,524
Cash and Cash equivalents at end of financial year	6	\$ 34,681	\$ 28,984

The accompanying notes form part of these statements.

Orchard Creek - East Euramo Drainage Board
Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended 30 June 2024

Note 1 – Basis of Financial Statement Preparation

(a) General Information about the Reporting Entity

These financial statements cover the Orchard Creeek - East Euramo Drainage Board (Water Authority). The Water Authority is a not-for-profit statutory body constituted under the *Water Act 2000*. The Water Authority does not control other entities. The financial statements are for the Water Authority as an individual entity.

The objective of the water authority is to maintain effective flow of drains adequate to meet the high rainfall experienced in this district, maintain sustainable strategies, provide appropriately priced drainage and provide good governance. The head office and principal place of business of the water authority is 59 Butler Street, Tully Qld 4854.

(b) Authorisation of Financial Statements for Issue

The financial statements are authorised for issue by the Chairperson and Secretary at the date of signing the Management Certificate.

(c) Compliance with Prescribed Requirements

The financial statements have been prepared in compliance with the *Financial Accountability Act 2009* and the *Financial and Performance Management Standard 2019* .

These general purpose financial statements are prepared in accordance with the disclosure requirements of Australian Accounting Standards - Simplified Disclosures. The financial statements comply with the recognition and measurement requirements of all Australian Accounting Standards and Interpretations applicable to not-for-profit entities, and the presentation requirements in those standards as modified by AASB 1060.

(d) Underlying Measurement Basis

The financial statements are prepared on an accrual basis, with the exception of the statement of cash flows which is prepared on a cash basis.

The historical cost convention is used as the measurement basis except for land and buildings and infrastructure assets which are measured at fair value.

(e) Presentation Matters

Currency and Rounding

Amounts included in the financial statements are in Australian dollars. Amounts are rounded to the nearest dollar.

Comparatives

Comparative information reflects the audited 2022-23 financial statements.

Current/Non-Current Classification

Assets are classified as 'current' where their carrying amount is expected to be realised within 12 months after the reporting date. Liabilities are classified as 'current' when they are due to be settled within 12 months after the reporting date, or the Board does not have an unconditional right to defer settlement to beyond 12 months after the reporting date. All other assets and liabilities are classified as non-current.

(f) Taxation

The Water Authority is exempted from income tax under the *Income Tax Assessment Act 1936* and is exempted from other forms of Commonwealth taxation with the exception of Fringe Benefits Tax (FBT) and Goods and Services Tax (GST).

Receivables and payables in the Balance Sheet are shown inclusive of GST. GST credits receivable from, and GST payable to, the ATO at reporting date are separately recognised in receivables within Note 7.

(g) Key Accounting Estimates and Judgements

The most significant estimates and assumptions made in the preparation of the financial statements related to the fair value and depreciation of property, plant and equipment. Details are set out in Note 12. The valuation of property, plant and equipment necessarily involves estimation uncertainty with the potential to materially impact on the carrying amount of such assets in the next reporting period.

(h) New and Revised Accounting Standards

First time mandatory application of Australian Accounting Standards and Interpretations

No new accounting standards were applied for the first time during the 2023-24 financial year.

Early Adoption of Australian Accounting Standards and Interpretations

No accounting pronouncements were early adopted in the 2023-24 financial year.

Voluntary Changes in Accounting Policy

No voluntary changes in accounting policies occurred during the 2023-24 financial year.

ORCHARD CREEK - EAST EURAMO DRAINAGE BOARD
Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended 30 June 2024

Note 2 – User Charges and fees	2024	2023
Rates & Charges	\$ 11,679	\$ 11,679
Total	\$ 11,679	\$ 11,679

Rates & Charges, Meter Fees & Charges, and Other Revenue

Revenue from receipt of rates and other charges, or rendering of a service is recognised when the revenue is earned and can be measured reliably with a sufficient degree of certainty. Other revenue is recognised when the right to receive the revenue has been established.

ORCHARD CREEK - EAST EURAMO DRAINAGE BOARD
Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended 30 June 2024

Note 3 – Other Revenue	2024	2023
Interest - Bank	\$ 863	\$ 404
Total	\$ 863	\$ 404

Note 4 – Administration Expenses	2024	2023
Audit Fees	\$ 3,500	\$ 3,800
Consultancy	\$ 1,018	
Insurance	\$ 2,135	\$ 2,145
Repairs & Maintenance		
Total	\$ 6,653	\$ 5,945

Note 5 – Supplies and Services	2024	2023
Repairs & Maintenance	\$ 691	\$ 2,791
Total	\$ 691	\$ 2,791

Orchard Creek - East Euramo Drainage Board
Notes to the Financial Statements
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Note 6 – Cash and Cash Equivalents	2024	2023
Cash on Hand		
Cash at Bank	\$ 34,681	\$ 28,984
Total	\$ 34,681	\$ 28,984

Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include all cash and cheques receipted as at 30 June as well as deposits held at call with financial institutions.

Note 7 – Receivables	2024	2023
Trade Debtors	-\$ 1	-\$ 1
GST Clearing Account		
Total	-\$ 1	-\$ 1

Receivables

Trade debtors are recognised at the nominal amounts due at the time of sale or service delivery i.e. the agreed purchase/contract price. Settlement terms are within 30 days from invoice date.

The collectability of receivables is assessed periodically.

All known bad debts were written-off as at 30 June 2024.

ORCHARD CREEK - EAST EURAMO DRAINAGE BOARD
Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended 30 June 2024

Note 8 – Property, Plant and Equipment and Depreciation Expense

(i) Property Plant and Equipment	2024	2023
Land		
At Fair Value		
Buildings		
At Fair Value		
Less Accumulated Depreciation		
Infrastructure		
At Fair Value	\$ 1,735,203	\$ 1,735,203
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	-\$ 1,377,519	-\$ 1,345,290
Plant & Equipment		
At cost		
Less: Accumulated Depreciation		
Less: Accumulated Impairment losses		
	357,684	389,913
Work in Progress		
At cost		
Less: Accumulated Impairment losses		
	-	-
Total Property, Plant and Equipment	357,684	389,913

(ii) Property, Plant and Equipment Reconciliation

	Land	Buildings	Infrastruc- ture	Plant & Equipment	Work In Progress
Carrying amount at 1 July 2023			\$ 389,913		
Depreciation expense			\$ 32,229		
Carrying amount at 30 June 2024	-	-	\$ 357,684	-	-

(iii) Accounting Policy - Recognition and Measurement

Asset Acquisition

Actual cost is used for the initial recording of all non-current physical asset acquisitions. Cost is determined as the value given as consideration plus costs incidental to the acquisition, including all other costs incurred in getting the assets ready for use, including architects' fees and engineering design fees. However, any training costs are expensed as incurred.

Assets acquired at no cost or for nominal consideration, other than from an involuntary transfer from another Queensland government agency, are recognised at their fair value at date of acquisition in accordance with AASB 116, *Property, Plant and Equipment*.

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of GST, except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the Australian Taxation Office. In these circumstances, the GST is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of the asset or as part of an item of expense.

Recognition of Property, Plant and Equipment

Items of property, plant and equipment with a cost or other value equal to or in excess of the following thresholds are recognised for financial reporting purposes in the year of acquisition:

Buildings	\$10,000
Infrastructure	\$10,000
Intangibles	\$100,000
Land	\$1
Plant and Equipment	\$5,000

Items with a lesser value are expensed in the year of acquisition. Expenditure is only capitalised if it increases the service potential or useful life of the existing asset. Maintenance expenditure that merely restores original service potential (arising from ordinary wear and tear) is expensed.

Assets are recognised net of the amount of GST, except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the Australian Taxation Office. In these circumstances, the GST is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of the asset.

Measurement of property, plant and equipment at fair value

Plant and equipment is measured at cost in accordance with the Non-Current Asset Policies. The carrying amounts for plant and equipment at cost approximate their fair value.

Land, buildings and infrastructure assets are measured at fair value in accordance with AASB 116 *Property, Plant and Equipment*, AASB 13 *Fair Value Measurement* and Queensland Treasury's Non-Current Asset Policies for the Queensland Public Sector. These assets are reported at their revalued amounts, being the fair value at the date of valuation, less any subsequent accumulated depreciation and impairment losses where applicable.

Revaluation of property, plant and equipment

Land, buildings and infrastructure measured at fair value are revalued on an annual basis either by appraisals undertaken by an independent professional valuer or internal expert, or by the use of appropriate and relevant indices.

Revaluations using independent professional valuer or internal expert appraisals are undertaken at least once every five years. However, if a particular asset class experiences significant and volatile changes in fair value, that class is subject to specific appraisal in the reporting period, where practicable, regardless of the timing of the last specific appraisal.

Where assets have not been specifically appraised in the reporting period, indices are applied to their previous valuations to ensure their fair values are materially up to date. Relevant indices provided by the Australian Bureau of Statistics, which are publicly available have been applied. The indices used are tested for reasonableness by applying the indices to a sample of assets, comparing the results to similar assets that have been valued by an independent professional valuer or internal expert, and analysing the trend of changes in values over time.

Any revaluation increment arising on the revaluation of an asset is credited to the asset revaluation surplus of the appropriate class, except to the extent it reverses a revaluation decrement for the class previously recognised as an expense. A decrease in the carrying amount on revaluation is charged as an expense, to the extent it exceeds the balance, if any, in the revaluation surplus relating to that asset class.

On revaluation, for assets revalued using a cost valuation approach (e.g. current replacement cost) - accumulated depreciation is adjusted to equal the difference between the gross amount and carrying amount, after taking into account accumulated impairment losses. This is generally referred to as the 'gross method'. For assets revalued using a market or income-based valuation approach - accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses are eliminated against the gross amount of the asset prior to restating for the revaluation. This is generally referred to as the 'net method'.

The cost of land and buildings acquired during the financial year has been judged by management to materially represent their fair value at the end of the reporting period.

Impairment

As a not-for-profit entity, certain property, plant and equipment of the Water Authority are held for the continuing use of its service capacity, and not for the generation of cash flows. Such assets are typically specialised in nature. In accordance with AASB 136, where such assets measured at fair value under AASB 13, that fair value (with no adjustment for disposal costs) is effectively deemed to be the recoverable amount. Consequently, impairment does not apply to such assets unless they are measured at cost.

For all property, plant and equipment and intangible assets to which impairment applies, the Water Authority assesses for indicators of impairment annually. Where indicators exist, impairment is accounted for differently, depending on the type of asset, as follows.

- Plant and equipment and intangible assets, which are measured at cost, are reduced to the asset's recoverable amount, being the higher of the asset's fair value less costs of disposal and its value in use. The adjustment is recorded as an impairment loss.
- For non-specialised property measured at fair value, the only difference between the asset's fair value and its recoverable amount is the costs of disposal. Consequently, the fair value of the asset will materially approximate its recoverable amount where the disposal costs are negligible. Where disposal costs are not negligible, the asset is reduced to its recoverable amount via a revaluation decrement.

Depreciation

Land is not depreciated as it has an unlimited useful life.

Buildings, infrastructure assets and plant and equipment are depreciated on a straight-line basis over their useful lives. The estimation of the useful lives of assets is based on historical experience with similar assets as well as considerations such as manufacturers' warranties, asset turnover practices and the Water Authority's strategic asset plan. Re-assessments of useful lives are undertaken annually by the Water Authority. Any consequential adjustments to remaining useful life estimates are implemented prospectively.

For each class of depreciable asset the following depreciation rates are used:

Class	Rate (%)
Buildings	2-10
Infrastructure	1-33.33
Plant & Equipment	10-20

Any expenditure that increases the originally assessed capacity or service potential of an asset is capitalised and the new depreciable amount is depreciated over the remaining useful life of the asset to the Water Authority.

Orchard Creek - East Euramo Drainage Board
Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended 30 June 2024

Note 9 – Payables	2024	2023
Trade Creditors	\$ 1	\$ 1
Payables to related parties		
Other	\$ 3,500	\$ 3,000
Total	\$ 3,501	\$ 3,001

Payables

Trade creditors are recognised upon receipt of the goods or services ordered and are measured at the agreed purchase/contract price, gross of applicable trade and other discounts. Amounts owing are unsecured and are generally settled on 30 day terms.

Orchard Creek - East Euramo Drainage Board
Notes to the Financial Statements

Note 10 – Movement in Asset Revaluation Surplus

	Land	Buildings	Infrastruc- ture	Total
Balance 1 July 2022			\$ 44,765	\$ 44,765
Revaluation Increments			\$ 28,884	\$ 28,884
Revaluation Decrements				
Impairment losses				
Impairment reversals				
Balance 30 June 2023	-	-	\$ 73,649	\$ 73,649
	Land	Buildings	Infrastruc- ture	Total
Balance 1 July 2023			\$ 73,649	\$ 73,649
Revaluation Increments				
Revaluation Decrements				
Impairment losses				
Impairment reversals				
Balance 30 June 2024	-	-	\$ 73,649	\$ 73,649

Independent specific appraisals of the Water Authority infrastructure were most recently performed as at 30 June 2023 by external valuer JT Smith and Associates Pty Ltd. (Consulting Engineers) of Redlynch, Qld, using fair value principles.

ORCHARD CREEK - EAST EURAMO DRAINAGE BOARD

Notes to the Financial Statements

For the Year Ended 30 June 2024

Note 11 - Fair Value Measurement

What is Fair Value?

Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date under current market conditions (i.e. an exit price) regardless of whether that price is directly derived from observable inputs or estimated using another valuation technique.

Financial assets and liabilities

The carrying amounts of trade receivables and payables approximate their fair value. The Water Authority holds no financial assets or liabilities classified at fair value through profit and loss

Non-Financial Assets - Land and Buildings

The Water Authority's land and buildings are measured at fair value. The fair value measurements take into account a market participant's ability to generate economic benefits by using the asset in its highest and best use.

The valuations maximise the use of relevant observable inputs, and unobservable inputs are used to the extent that sufficient relevant and reliable observable inputs are not available for similar assets.

Observable inputs used by the Water Authority include, but are not limited to, published sales data for land and general office buildings.

Significant unobservable inputs used by the Water Authority include subjective adjustments made to observable data to take account of the characteristics of the Water Authority's assets/liabilities, internal record of recent construction costs (and/or estimates of such costs) for assets' characteristics/functionality, and assessments of physical condition and remaining useful life.

Independent specific appraisals of the Water Authority's infrastructure assets, land and buildings were most recently performed as at 30 June 2023 by external valuer JT Smith and Associates Pty Ltd. (Consulting Engineers) of Redlynch, Qld, using fair value principles. The fair value of land was based on publicly available data on sales of similar land in nearby localities in the six months prior to the date of the revaluation. In determining the values, adjustments were made to the sales data to take into account the location of the land, its size, street/road frontage and access, and any significant restrictions.

The fair value of the Water Authority's buildings was determined based on an average of rental rates per square metre advertised publicly for comparable buildings in similar locations, together with industry-accepted rental multiples for such buildings. Adjustments are made for the age, internal features/design and physical condition of each building being valued. None of the adjustments have a significant impact on the valuations.

The fair value of the Water Authority's infrastructure assets was determined on a current replacement cost basis. Internal records of the original cost are adjusted for contemporary technology and construction approaches. Significant judgement is also used to assess the remaining service potential of the assets, given local climatic and environmental conditions, projected usage, and records of the current condition of the assets.

Orchard Creek - East Euramo Drainage Board
Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended 30 June 2024

Note 12 - Financial Instruments	2024	2023
<i>Financial Assets</i>		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 34,681	\$ 28,984
Loans and Receivables at amortised cost		
Total	\$ 34,681	\$ 28,984

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognised in the Balance Sheet when the Water Authority becomes party to the contractual provisions of the financial instrument.

Orchard Creek - East Euramo Drainage Board
Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended 30 June 2024

Note 13 - Key Management Personnel (KMP) Disclosures

Details of Key Management Personnel

The following details for key management personnel include those Water Authority positions that had authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of the Water Authority during 2023-24 and 2022-23.

Position	Position Responsibility
Chairperson	The strategic leadership, guidance and effective oversight of the management of the Board, including its operational and financial performance.
Board Member	Responsible for the strategic leadership and direction of the Board.
Secretary	Responsible for the efficient and effective financial administration of the Board.

Note 14 - Related Party Transactions

Transactions with people / entities related to KMP

	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Marsilio Brother Farming-Excavator Hire & Spraying of Drains	691	2791
Total	691	2791

These transactions were conducted under normal terms and conditions.

ORCHARD CREEK - EAST EURAMO DRAINAGE BOARD
Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended 30 June 2024

Note 15 - Commitments

Orchard Creek - East Euramo Drainage Board has no commitments

Note 16 - Contingencies

Orchard Creek- East Euramo Drainage Board has no contingent liabilities

Note 17 - Events occurring after balance date

Nothing has occurred since balance date that would affect the final statements

Note 18 - Climate related risk disclosure

The State of Queensland, as the ultimate parent on the Water Authority, has published a wide range of information and resources on climate change risks, strategies and actions (<https://www.qld.gov.au/environment/climate/climate-change>) including the following key whole-of-Government publications:

- Climate Action Plan 2020-2030 (<https://www.des.qld.gov.au/climateaction>)
- Queensland Energy and Jobs Plan (<https://www.epw.qld.gov.au/energyandjobsplan>)
- Climate Adaptation Strategy (<https://www.qld.gov.au/environment/climate/climate-change/adapting/strategy>)
- Queensland Sustainability Report (<https://ww.treasury.qld.gov.au/programs-andpolicies/esq/>)

No adjustments to the carrying value of assets were recognised during the financial year as a result of climate-related risks impacting current accounting estimates and judgements. No other transactions have been recognised during the financial year specifically due to climate-related risks impacting the Water Authority.

ORCHARD CREEK - EAST EURAMO DRAINAGE BOARD

Management Certificate

For the Year Ended 30 June 2024

MANAGEMENT CERTIFICATE OF ORCHARD CREEK - EAST EURAMO DRAINAGE BOARD

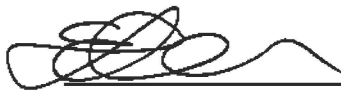
These general purpose financial statements have been prepared pursuant to s.62(1)(a) of the *Financial Accountability Act 2009* (the Act), s.39 of the *Financial and Performance Management Standard 2019* and other prescribed requirements. In accordance with s.62 (1)(b) of the Act we certify that in our opinion:

- a) the prescribed requirements for establishing and keeping the accounts have been complied with in all material respects; and
- b) the financial statements have been drawn up to present a true and fair view, in accordance with prescribed accounting standards, of the transactions of the Water Authority for the period ended 30 June 2024 and of the financial position of the Water Authority as at the end of that period; and

We acknowledge responsibility under s.7 and s.11 of the *Financial and Performance Management Standard 2019* for the establishment and maintenance, in all material respects, of an appropriate and effective system of internal controls and risk management processes with respect to financial reporting throughout the reporting period.

Elisha La Fauci

Secretary



(Signature)

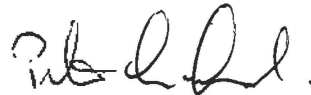
20/06/24

(Date)

Orchard Creek - East Euramo Drainage Board

Peter Maifredi

Chairperson



(Signature)

20/06/24

(Date)

Orchard Creek - East Euramo Drainage Board

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Orchard Creek – East Euramo Drainage Board

Report on the audit of the financial report

Opinion

I have audited the accompanying financial report of Orchard Creek – East Euramo Drainage Board.

In my opinion, the financial report:

- a) gives a true and fair view of the entity's financial position as at 30 June 2024, and its financial performance and cash flows for the year then ended
- b) complies with the *Financial Accountability Act 2009*, the Financial and Performance Management Standard 2019 and Australian Accounting Standards – Simplified Disclosures.

The financial report comprises the balance sheet as at 30 June 2024, the statement of comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the year then ended, notes to the financial statements including material accounting policy information, and the management certificate.

Basis for opinion

I conducted my audit in accordance with the *Auditor-General Auditing Standards*, which incorporate the Australian Auditing Standards. My responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report* section of my report.

I am independent of the entity in accordance with the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including independence standards)* (the Code) that are relevant to my audit of the financial report in Australia. I have also fulfilled my other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code and the *Auditor-General Auditing Standards*.

I believe that the audit evidence I have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my opinion.

Responsibilities of the entity for the financial report

The Board is responsible for the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view in accordance with the *Financial Accountability Act 2009*, the Financial and Performance Management Standard 2019 and Australian Accounting Standards – Simplified Disclosures, and for such internal control as the Board determines is necessary to enable the preparation of the financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

The Board is also responsible for assessing the entity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters relating to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless it is intended to abolish the entity or to otherwise cease operations.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial report

My objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes my opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of this financial report.

A further description of my responsibilities for the audit of the financial report is located at the Auditing and Assurance Standards Board website at:

https://www.auasb.gov.au/auditors_responsibilities/ar4.pdf

This description forms part of my auditor's report.

Report on other legal and regulatory requirements

Statement

In accordance with s.40 of the *Auditor-General Act 2009*, for the year ended 30 June 2024:

- a) I received all the information and explanations I required.
- b) I consider that, the prescribed requirements in relation to the establishment and keeping of accounts were complied with in all material respects.

Prescribed requirements scope

The prescribed requirements for the establishment and keeping of accounts are contained in the *Financial Accountability Act 2009*, any other Act and the Financial and Performance Management Standard 2019. The applicable requirements include those for keeping financial records that correctly record and explain the entity's transactions and account balances to enable the preparation of a true and fair financial report.



Lisa Fraser
as delegate of the Auditor-General

22 August 2024

Queensland Audit Office
Brisbane

SOUTH MAROOHY DRAINAGE BOARD

OPERATING FUND

**STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS
FOR YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2024**

	Notes	2023-24 \$	2022-23
Balance at commencement of year -			
Cash at Bank/Bank Overdraft		20719	31849
Investments (at cost)		20719	31849
Receipts for the year were -			
Rates and Charges ¹			314
Transfers from Capital Works		--	--
Interest on Investments		--	--
Other (<i>works reimbursement</i>)		--	--
GST Collected on Sales		--	--
GST Input Tax Credits Received		537	518
		537	832
Payments for the year were -			
Administration Expenses ¹	(3)	2320	2253
Interest on Loans		--	--
Operation and Maintenance ¹	(4)	--	9504
Purchase of Land and Buildings ¹		--	--
Purchase of Plant, Equipment and Motor Vehicles ¹	(5)	--	--
Loan Redemption/Sinking Fund		--	--
Contributions		--	--
Transfers to Capital Works Fund		--	--
Transfers to Reserve Fund		--	--
GST Paid on Purchases			205
GST Remitted to the ATO			
Other (<i>specify as note if material</i>)			
Leaving a year end balance comprising -			
Cash at Bank		18936	20719
Investments (at cost)		--	-
		\$18936	\$20719

NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Note (1) STATEMENT OF OBJECTIVES AND PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES

The main function of the South Maroochy Drainage Board is to carry out the water activities decided by the water authority. [*drainage.*]

Note (2) STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES.

Note (2)(a) Basis of Accounting

South Maroochy Drainage Board (the Board) is a not-for-profit statutory body constituted under the Water Act 2000 and is required to prepare financial statements in accordance with the *Financial Accountability Act 2009* and the *Financial and Performance Management Standard 2019*. The reduced scope of administrative and financial resources available to the Board has resulted in the Board being unable to and opting not to comply with this reporting standard. The Board has therefore elected to submit cash based financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2024, consistent with those of the previous year.

The Board has assessed that there is a limited number of intended users of the financial statements and the format is appropriate to meet the information needs of these users. The intended users of these financial statements are limited to:

- Members of the Queensland Parliament
- The Minister and Department of Regional Development, Manufacturing and Water
- The Treasurer and Queensland Treasury
- Members of the Water Authority and related community members

Given these financial statements have not been prepared in accordance with prescribed accounting standards they may not satisfy the needs of users beyond those identified above.

Note (2)(b) Non-Current Assets

Non-Current Assets

	2023-24	2022-2023
	\$	\$
Land and Buildings	XX	--
Plant, Equipment and Motor Vehicles, etc	<u>2283</u>	<u>2283</u>
	<u>\$2283</u>	<u>\$2283</u>

The value of non-current assets listed above represents only those assets still in service at 30 June 2024 based on the historical cost of the assets. No allowance for depreciation has been made.

In relation to any impairment of the water authority's non-current assets from natural disaster events, and for which funding under NDRRA has been approved but is still to be fully expended at 30 June 2024, the board reports that this is not applicable.

**NOTES TO AND FORMING PART
OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**
(continued)

Note (2)(c) Rates and Charges Outstanding

	2023-24	2022-23
	\$	\$
0-3 months	XX	--
3-6 months		
Over 6 months	17745	17745
	\$17745	\$17745

The rates and charges shown above have been reviewed and, in the opinion of the Water Authority, are all collectable.

Bad debts written off during the year totalled \$nil.

Note (2)(d) Contingent Assets and Liabilities

There were no known contingent assets or liabilities of a significant nature at 30 June 2024.

**NOTES TO AND FORMING PART
OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

(continued)

	2023-24	2022-2023
	\$	\$
Note 3 Administration Expenses		
Authority Members' Fees and Allowances	--	--
Secretary's Allowance	--	--
Salaries and Wages	--	--
Authority Contributions – Employees'	--	--
Superannuation Scheme	--	--
Insurance	--	--
Rates and Charges	--	--
Audit Fees	2200	1980
Miscellaneous	<u>120</u>	<u>273</u>
	<u>\$2320</u>	<u>\$2464</u>

CERTIFICATE OF THE

SOUTH MAROOCHY DRAINAGE BOARD

We have prepared the foregoing annual financial statements pursuant to section 62(1) of the *Financial Accountability Act 2009* (the Act), relevant sections of the Financial Performance and Management Standard 2019, and other prescribed requirements. In accordance with section 62(1)(b) of the Act, we certify that in our opinion:

- (i) the prescribed requirements in respect of the establishment and keeping of accounts have been complied with in all material respects;
- (ii) the special purpose financial statements have been drawn up so as to present a true and fair view of the transactions of the water authority for the period 1 July 2023 to 30 June 2024, and of the financial position as at 30 June 2024 in accordance with the basis of accounting as detailed in Note 2(a) to the financial statements; and
- (iii) financial assistance received has been expended in accord with the purposes for which it was given in the financial year.

R W Price

Date *5.8.24*

Signed (Chairperson)

[Signature]

Date

5.8.24

Signed (Secretary)

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of South Maroochy Drainage Board

Report on the audit of the financial report

Disclaimer of Opinion

Section 30(1) (b) of the *Auditor-General Act 2009* requires me to audit the accompanying financial report of South Maroochy Drainage Board.

I do not form an opinion on the accompanying financial report. Because of the significance of the matters described in the *Basis for Disclaimer of Opinion* section of my report, I have not been able to obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence to provide a basis for an audit opinion on this financial report.

The financial report comprises the Operating Fund Statement of Receipts and Payments for the year ended 30 June 2024, notes to and forming part of the financial statements including material accounting policy information, and the certificate given by the Chairperson and Secretary.

Basis for Disclaimer of Opinion

As disclosed in Note 2(a), South Maroochy Drainage Board has not complied with the requirements of s.39 (2) of the *Financial and Performance Management Standard 2019* nor had regard to the minimum reporting requirements published by Queensland Treasury. In particular, the financial report is special purpose rather than general purpose, has been prepared on a cash basis rather than an accruals basis, and omits significant disclosures including a statement of comprehensive income, statement of financial position, and statement of changes in equity. It is impracticable to include the omitted disclosures in this report. The impact of the statements being prepared on a cash basis rather than an accrual basis is unable to be quantified due to an absence of reliable data.

In addition, for the non-current assets of \$2,283 (2023: \$2,283) disclosed in Note 2(b), sufficient appropriate evidence has not been presented by South Maroochy Drainage Board to support the existence of these assets and whether all non-current assets controlled by the Board have been recognised and appropriately measured and depreciated in the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of AASB 116 *Property, Plant and Equipment*. The impact of these matters on the financial report is unable to be quantified due to the absence of reliable data.

Responsibilities of the entity for the Financial Report

The Board is responsible for the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view in accordance with prescribed requirements of the *Financial Accountability Act 2009* and its subordinate legislation, the Financial and Performance Management Standard 2019 and Australian Accounting Standards – Simplified Disclosures, and for such internal control as the Board determines is necessary to enable the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view and is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

The Board is also responsible for assessing the entity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless it is intended to liquidate the entity or to otherwise cease operations.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report

My responsibility is to conduct an audit of the financial report in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards, and to issue an auditor's report. However, because of the matters described in the *Basis for Disclaimer of Opinion* section of my report, I was not able to obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence to provide a basis for an audit opinion on the financial report.

I am independent of the entity in accordance with the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including independence standards)* (the Code) that are relevant to my audit of the financial report in Australia. I have also fulfilled my other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code and the *Auditor-General Auditing Standards*.

Report on other legal and regulatory requirements

Statement

In accordance with s.40 of the *Auditor-General Act 2009*, for the year ended 30 June 2024:

- a) I received all the information and explanations I required, and
- b) as described in the *Basis for disclaimer of opinion* section of my report, South Maroochy Drainage Board did not comply with the prescribed requirements in relation to the establishment and keeping of accounts in all material respects.

Prescribed requirements scope

The prescribed requirements for the establishment and keeping of accounts are contained in the *Financial Accountability Act 2009*, any other Act and the Financial and Performance Management Standard 2019. The applicable requirements include those for keeping financial records that correctly record and explain the entity's transactions and account balances to enable the preparation of a true and fair financial report.



Lisa Fraser
as delegate of the Auditor-General

30 August 2024

Queensland Audit Office
Brisbane

Appendix D Compliance checklist

Summary of requirement		Basis for requirement	Report reference
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	Public availability	ARRs – Section 9.2	Inside cover
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	Copyright notice	<i>Copyright Act 1968</i> ARRs – Section 9.4	Inside cover
	Information Licensing	<i>QGEA – Information Licensing</i> ARRs – Section 9.5	Inside cover
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	Agency objectives and performance indicators	ARRs – Section 11.2	Page 6
	Agency service areas and service standards	ARRs – Section 11.3	Page 6
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	Executive management	ARRs – Section 13.2	Page 10
	Government bodies (statutory bodies and other entities)	ARRs – Section 13.3	Page 11 Appendix A Page 50
	Public Sector Ethics	<i>Public Sector Ethics Act 1994</i> ARRs – Section 13.4	Page 12
	Human Rights	<i>Human Rights Act 2019</i> ARRs – Section 13.5	Page 13
	Queensland public service values	ARRs – Section 13.6	Not applicable
Governance – risk management	Risk management	ARRs – Section 14.1	Page 13
	Audit committee	ARRs – Section 14.2	Page 14
	Internal audit	ARRs – Section 14.3	Page 15

Summary of requirement		Basis for requirement	Report reference
and accountability	External scrutiny	ARRs – Section 14.4	Page 15
	Information systems and recordkeeping	ARRs – Section 14.5	Page 15
	Information Security attestation	ARRs – Section 14.6	Not applicable
Governance – human resources	Strategic workforce planning and performance	ARRs – Section 15.1	Page 16
	Early retirement, redundancy, and retrenchment	Directive No.04/18 <i>Early Retirement, Redundancy and Retrenchment</i> ARRs – Section 15.2	Page 17
Open Data	Statement advising publication of information	ARRs – Section 16	Page 17
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	Overseas travel	ARRs – Section 31.2	Page 18
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