



Irrigation Infrastructure Renewal Projections - 2013/14 to 2046/47

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1. Introduction

Seqwater owns and operates the following seven irrigation schemes:

- ▶ Central Lockyer WSS;
- ▶ Lower Lockyer WSS;
- ▶ Logan River WSS;
- ▶ Mary River WSS;
- ▶ Cedar Pocket WSS;
- ▶ Warrill Valley WSS; and
- ▶ Central-Brisbane WSS.

Seqwater also owns and operates a distribution system, the Morton Vale Pipeline.

There are nine tariff groups associated with these schemes.

To assist with the determination of price paths, a forecast of future renewal expenditure is required at the individual tariff group level.

The renewal projections have been developed, in accordance with the scope and methodology separately documented in the Methodology report. The projections have been developed in separate reports, one for each tariff group.

This report outlines the projections for the Mary River Tariff group. It should be read in conjunction with the Methodology report.

2. Asset Information

2.1 Irrigation Infrastructure

A summary of Seqwater's irrigation infrastructure facilities and assets is provided in **Table 1** below.

Table 1 Summary of Irrigation Infrastructure

WSS Scheme	Tariff Group	Dams	Weirs	Off-Stream Storage	Other Key Assets
Mary River	Mary River	Borumba Dam	Imbil Weir	NA	Yabba Creek, Flowmeters

A schematic drawing of the scheme is provided in Appendix A.

2.2 Relevant Asset Information

The following existing information was reviewed and where relevant, utilised to develop the renewal projections:

- ▶ Sun Water Static Asset data;
- ▶ Annual, 5 Year and Comprehensive Dam Safety Reviews and Assessments;
- ▶ Draft WSS 20 Year Programme of Work 2008/09 – 2028/29;
- ▶ 2011 Site Safety Assessments;
- ▶ Extracts from Financial Asset Register;
- ▶ 2009 Asset Valuation – Cardnos;
- ▶ 2010 Asset Valuation – Dams & Weirs – Cardnos;
- ▶ Borumba Dam Facilities Asset Management Plan (FAMP) 2012; and
- ▶ Business Case - Irrigation Customer Meters Renewal (SM 12/13 02).

3. Projections

3.1 Summary

A summary of the renewal and refurbishment projections for the period 2013/14 – 2046/47 is provided in Table 3.

Further details are provided in Appendix B.

It should be noted that all values are in \$2012-13.

3.2 Significant Projects

A list of projects that come under one of the following categories are outlined in Table 2 below:

- ▶ Scheduled between 2013/14 and 2016/17 financial years and having a project value greater than the average project value for that period; and
- ▶ A project that has an impact on the annuity of greater than 10%¹.

Table 2 Significant Projects

Asset	Description of Work	Timing of Work	Project Value	Signif.*
Borumba Dam - embankment	Sealing of concrete face joints below water surface	2013/14	\$230k	IA, HAV
Borumba Dam - spillway	Concrete repairs	2014/15	\$100k	HAV
Borumba Dam – cone valves	Painting and replacement of seals	2016/17	\$100k	HAV
Water Meters	Water Meter Renewal Program	Annually, commencing 2013/14	\$1040k over 33 years	HAV Ref. Footnote 1

Notes: *Significance: HAV – Higher than Average Value (for period from 2013/14 to 2016/17) IA – Project was assessed in April 2012 (refer Footnote 1 below) as having an impact on the annuity of greater than 10% (refer Section 3.3 for commentary).

¹ The impact on annuity was assessed in April 2012 when version 1 of this report was produced. At that time, the water meter renewal program had not been fully developed and included in the assessment. An updated assessment of impact has not been undertaken in updating this current version 3 of the report

Table 3 Summary of Renewal Projections

Parent Asset	Expenditure Forecast Each Year (\$k)																	
	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28	2028/29	2029/30	
Borumba Dam	230	270	30	100	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Mary Valley Regulated Stream	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Gauging Stations	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	70	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Yabba Creek	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Water Flowmeters	99	99	56	56	56	56	56	56	56	56	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	
Total	329	369	86	156	56	56	56	56	56	88	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	

Parent Asset	Expenditure Forecast Each Year (\$k)																	
	2030/31	2031/32	2032/33	2033/34	2034/35	2035/36	2036/37	2037/38	2038/39	2039/40	2040/41	2041/42	2042/43	2043/44	2044/45	2045/46	2046/47	
Borumba Dam	-	-	-	-	111	64	-	-	-	-	-	-	119	-	-	431	-	
Mary Valley Regulated Stream	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Gauging Stations	-	-	70	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	70	-	-	-	-	
Yabba Creek	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Water Flowmeters	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	
Total	18	18	88	18	129	82	18	18	18	18	18	18	137	88	18	449	18	

3.3 Additional Commentary

The following projects, that have a higher than average project value, have been identified as being required as a result of condition and criticality assessment completed as part of the FAMP development process:

- ▶ Repairs to concrete on Borumba Dam spillway as assessed in FAMP.
- ▶ Painting and resealing Borumba Dam cone valves as assessed in FAMP.

Commentary on other projects that have an impact on the annuity of greater than 10% is provided as follows:

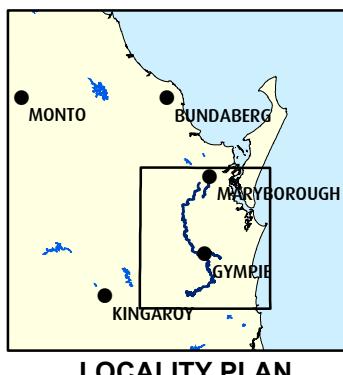
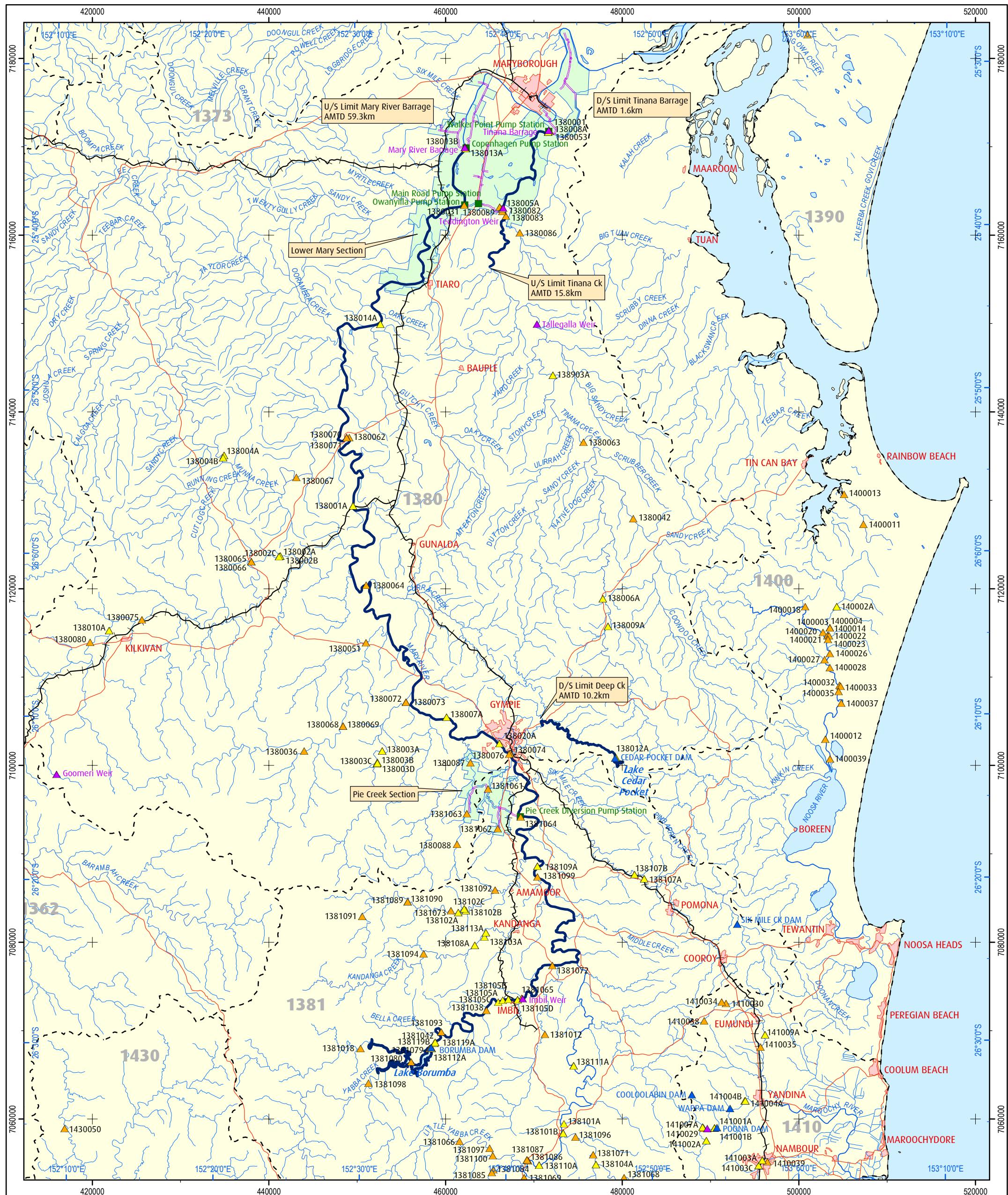
- ▶ Sealing of concrete sections joints on upstream face of Borumba Dam below water surface as assessed in FAMP.

For the forecasted renewal expenditure between 2013/14 and 2016/17, values were compared with Sunwater's renewals projections which were the basis of the SunWater irrigation prices for 2006/07 to 2010/11. When excluding the water meter upgrade costs which will be excluded from the annuity, it was noted the total value of Seqwater's renewal forecast was approximately 190% of Sunwaters. The difference is believed to be primarily due to:

- ▶ Seqwater projections being based on more up-to-date information.
- ▶ Seqwater projections included significant expenditure on repair and refurbishment of Borumba Dam between 2013/14 and 2016/17 as assessed in FAMP.

Appendix A

Water Supply Scheme Schematic



LEGEND	
▲ Dam	--- Sub-Basin Boundary
▲ Weir	— Major Roads
▲ Stream Gauging Station	× Railway
▲ Water Quality Station	~ Gully
■ Pump Station	— Creek
~~~~ Water Supply Scheme	— River
~~~~ Channel	— Channel System WSS
~~~~ Pipeline	— Urban Area

NOTES  
1. Stream Gauging and Water Quality Stations shown do not necessarily belong to SunWater.

MAP INFORMATION  
Black ticks indicate 20,000m intervals of the Universal Transverse Mercator Grid, Zone 56 (Mapping Grid of Australia), Australian National Spheroid. Blue ticks indicate Latitude and Longitudinal at 10 minute intervals.  
Coordinate System: Geocentric Datum of Australia, Transverse Mercator projection.

### PRELIMINARY PLAN

SCALE 1:400,000 (Before Reduction A3)

0 2 4 8 12 16 20 km

### MARY RIVER WATER SUPPLY SCHEME

## SYSTEM LAYOUT AUGUST 2002



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## Appendix B

# Renewal Projections

