

On-Call/Afterhours number **0409 605 720**

Water Order Number **07 4977 5840**

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**At a Glance** – in this newsletter:

- **AGM** – 7pm, 24<sup>th</sup> November 2021 at the Eton Fire Shed
- **Director Election** – Nominations by 29<sup>th</sup> October 2021
- **Annual Shutdown 2022** - It is planned to complete another 3–4-week shutdown
- **Solar installation Eton Office** - Completed
- **Announced Allocation** – Currently 91% which is reviewed monthly by Sunwater.
- **For Sale Register** - Site to register water for sale
- **Acrolein Injection Program** - Timing of Acrolein Injections for 2021-2022
- **Christmas Office Closure** – Office closed 23<sup>rd</sup> Dec 2021 to 3<sup>rd</sup> Jan 2022

## **AGM**

Eton Irrigation Co-operative Limited will hold its inaugural Annual General Meeting at 7pm on the 24<sup>th</sup> November 2021 at the Eton Fire Shed. An annual report including the financial report will be forwarded to members 21 days prior to the meeting.

Please forward any Special Resolutions to the Company Secretary by the 29<sup>th</sup> October so that members can be notified prior to the meeting.

## **Director Election**

In line with the section 39(b) EICL Constitution, one of the member directors must retire at the first AGM. In line with that, Jo Prior has advised that she will retire. Consequently, nominations for a member director position are called. A nomination form can be obtained by contacting the GM on 0427 277 906. The closing date for nominations will be 29<sup>th</sup> October 2021.

## **Annual Shutdown 2022**

A reminder that Eton Irrigation is planning to do another shutdown in May-June 2022 to complete further works to improve the operations of the scheme. Once again this will be for a 3–4-week shutdown depending on the proposed works programme.

*“Customers who require water all year should make arrangements for on-farm water storage for a minimum of one month to provide their ongoing water requirements during interruptions”<sup>1</sup>*

This may be a time to look at your on-farm water storage if you require water during shutdowns and if your current storage was not adequate to meet your needs during the 2021 shutdown.

## **Solar installation – Eton Office**

The solar photovoltaic system installation at the EICL office has been completed. It is performing as hoped which should see the savings pay for the system within 3-5 years (20-25 year expected life).

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<sup>1</sup> <https://etonirrigation.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2020/04/SchemeDistributionRulesandServiceTargets-EtonIrrigation.pdf>

## **Announced Allocation**

The current Announced Allocation is 91% of your water allocation. The Announced Allocation is reviewed at the beginning of each month by Sunwater and depending on the current level of Kinchant Dam they will determine if they can increase the Allocation.

Just a reminder if your water usage is going to exceed the current Announced Allocation, it is vital to obtain a temporary transfer from another customer. The For Sale Register is a good place to check to see who has water available.

## **EICL Website**

Just a reminder that a wealth of information is available at <https://etonirrigation.com.au/>

- The Co-op Constitution, Scheme Distribution Rules and Standard Customer Distribution Contract
- EICL fees and charges
- Trading forms
- The buy & sell water For Sale Register
- Past Newsletters
- Director's Biographies
- History and Scheme information
- Contact details

## **Acrolein Injection Program**

As previously advised the planned September Acrolein injection was cancelled. This was able to be done due to the weed control works completed during the winter shutdown. Monitoring of the weeds in the channel showed that the growth was limited, as hoped. The plan for the rest of the water year is to continue as originally proposed – controlling the weeds and maintaining flow capacity in the channel so that the required deliveries to farms can be met. We are constantly monitoring this to minimize the number of injections to reduce supply interruptions and keep the costs down.

Planned dates for the rest of the water year are shown below, which will be weather dependent.

- 1st November – 5th November 2021
- 6th December – 10th December 2021
- 10th January – 14th January 2022
- 14th February – 18th February 2022
- 28th March -1st April 2022

Prior notification of these events will be sent to customers closer to them occurring.

## **Christmas Office Closure**

The EICL office's last day of operation in 2021 will be Wednesday, the 22<sup>nd</sup> December. The office will be closed from 23<sup>rd</sup> December 2021 until the 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2022 (inclusive). The office will reopen on Tuesday, 4<sup>th</sup> January 2022.

The On Call/After Hours number and the Water Ordering Number will operate over this period.

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