

# BOARD MEETING UPDATE



GOULBURN VALLEY WATER

5 August 2009

*Outlined below is a summary of the August 2009 Goulburn Valley Water Board Meeting.*

The Board noted and made decisions on the following reports:

### **Tariff Approvals**

The Board adopted its prices of non-core Miscellaneous Fees and Charges and Developer and Landowner Works Fees and Charges for the 2009/2010 financial year. The majority of these prices have increased by the movement in the Consumer Price Index of 2.47%.

### **Fluoridation of Water Supplies at Cobram, Kyabram and Seymour**

The Board awarded the tender for the Design and Construction of Fluoridation facilities at Seymour, Kyabram and Cobram water treatment plants to Laurie Curran Water Pty Ltd.

### **Amended Scope of Operations Environment and Safety (OES) Committee**

The Board endorsed the principle of amending the scope of the OES Committee to include corporate risk monitoring and reporting with the scope and revised charter of both the OES and Audit Committees to be presented to the October 2009 Board Meeting.

### **Bridgesoft – database update**

The Board was advised of the current status of development of the Bridgesoft water quality information system and the current areas of risk with the product and noted the actions being taken to mitigate these risks.

### **Billing – Bushfire Affected Properties**

The Board noted the actions and progress with the waiving of billing bushfire impacted properties, in accordance with advice from DSE.

### **Learnings from GWV Bushfire Response and Recovery**

The Board noted the GWV learnings from the February 2009 bushfires and proposed actions to:

- Establish GWV asset design & management principles for bushfire-prone facilities
- Establish a GWV Emergency Communications Plan.
- Review and refine GWV's Crisis and Incident Management Plan to incorporate specific bushfire emergency responses, including emotional management procedures.

### **Update/Progress Reports**

The Board was updated on the progress of the following projects

- Upper Goulburn Regional water Supply Pipeline from Alexandra to Eildon & Thornton.
- Dam Safety Report and Inspection
- Development Activity within the Corporation's region
- 2008/2009 Capital Works Program
- Operational Performance
- Corporate Community Reference Committee – 12 month review.

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