
**LAKE WYANGAN & CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
TO BE HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON
THURSDAY, 17 JULY 2025 AT 5:00 PM**

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General Manager, Brett Stonestreet; Director Sustainable Development, Joe Rizzo; Urban Strategic Design & Major Projects Manager, Peter Badenhorst, Environment and Public Health Coordinator, Vanessa Johns and Minute Secretary, Joanne Bollen

Quorum = 3

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Acknowledgement of Country

Griffith City Council acknowledges the Wiradjuri people as the traditional owners and custodians of the land and waters, and their deep knowledge embedded within the Aboriginal community.

Council further pays respect to the local Wiradjuri Elders, past, present and those emerging, for whom we acknowledge have responsibilities for the continuation of cultural, spiritual and educational practices of the local Wiradjuri people.



MINUTES

LAKE WYANGAN & CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON THURSDAY, 19 JUNE 2025 COMMENCING AT 5:30 PM

PRESENT

Councillor Doug Curran (Chair), Councillor Tony O'Grady, Councillor Laurie Testoni, Mark Dal Bon (Councillor - Alternate), Ema Munro (Community Representative), Frank Battistel (Community Representative), Jade Salvestro (Community Representative), John Tagliapietra (Community Representative), Kelvin Williams (Community Representative), Lisa Parker (Community Representative), Matthew Woodward (Community Representative), Reginald Brown (Community Representative), Scott Collis (Community Representative), Franco Pistillo (Member for Murray Representative – Zoom), Dr Simon Tanook from AlgaEnviro (Zoom), Hugh Williamson from Optimal Stormwater (Zoom)

Absent: Joel Undy (Community Representative), Saroja Nagaraj Gurazada (Community Representative)

Quorum = 3

STAFF

General Manager, Brett Stonestreet, Director Sustainable Development, Joe Rizzo, Urban Strategic Design & Major Projects Manager, Peter Badenhorst, Environment and Public Health Coordinator, Vanessa Johns and Minute Secretary, Leanne Austin

1 APOLOGIES

No apologies were received.

2 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Councillor Tony O'Grady and Scott Collis that the minutes of the previous meeting held on 24 April 2025, having first been circulated amongst all members, be confirmed.

3 BUSINESS ARISING

Nil.

4 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Pecuniary Interests

There were no pecuniary interests declared.

Significant Non-Pecuniary Interests

There were no significant non-pecuniary interests declared.

Less Than Significant Non-Pecuniary Interests

There were no less than significant non-pecuniary interests declared.

5 ITEMS OF BUSINESS

CL01 PRESENTATION - OPTIMAL STORMWATER

Hugh Williamson, representing Optimal Stormwater, delivered a presentation to the Committee which included previous options and designs that had been presented to the former Committee.

Councillor Mark Dal Bon entered the meeting the time being 5:35 pm.

The Committee discussed several of the proposed options, including an in-lake wetlands option. Mr Williamson advised that there is sufficient land available to support alternative options and noted that constructing the in-lake option would be more challenging. Mr Rizzo requested input from the Committee regarding the scope of works to be provided to Optimal Stormwater, in order to obtain a quotation.

RECOMMENDED on the motion of John Tagliapietra and Ema Munro that a Committee meeting be held in one month to consider a draft scope prepared by Council staff for the purpose of obtaining a quote for a sediment and nutrient discharge treatment at the North Lake.

Mr Stonestreet requested the Committee also be provided with the likely cost of sediment removal once a system has been installed.

Councillor Testoni requested that the Committee be informed who owns the land in the proposed location and whether or not it is subject to a Land Claim.

Mr Williamson left the meeting at 5:58 pm.

CL02 PRESENTATION - ALGAENVIRO

Dr Simon Tannock, from AlgaEnviro, delivered a presentation to the Committee advising of the results of the recent Diatomix trial in the South Lake. Mr Tannock advised that Total Nitrogen and Phosphorus had increased and biovolume had decreased. The system is slowly improving. The Nitrogen and Phosphorus results could be coming from other sources such as plankton and animals eating cells. It would likely take up to two years to see low results and an improved water quality. Mr Stonestreet enquired if Silica will need to be continually added to assist the process? Dr Tannock advised that in the first year there was a lot of sludge present and Silica supplementation was required. Additional Silica may be required ongoing.

CC01 was brought forward.

CC01 EXTENSION OF DIATOMIX TRIAL - LAKE WYANGAN (SOUTH LAKE)

The Committee considered a proposal to extend the Diatomix treatment trial at Lake Wyangan (South Lake) through to October 2025. The extension would allow for a full 12-month evaluation period, including assessment of the treatment's efficacy during the critical warm weather months, and would provide comprehensive data to support evidence-based

decision-making. The total project cost is \$6,382.00 (ex GST).

The Committee discussed the results presented to date and considered alternative options such as aerating the water, utilising the existing pump for aeration and supplementing the lake with additional water. Some Committee members expressed concerns, noting that water quality improvements were not evident. It was also noted that the South Lake has historically exhibited poorer water quality compared to the North Lake.

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Frank Battistel and Ema Munro that Council approve the extension of the Diatomix Trial at Lake Wyangan (South Lake) through to October 2025, with the allocation of \$6,382.00 (ex GST).

CL03 ITEMS/ACTIONS SUBMITTED FOR AGENDA BY COMMITTEE

Due to lack of time, these items will be carried forward to the next meeting.

6 OUTSTANDING ACTION REPORT

Due to lack of time, this item will be carried forward to the next meeting.

7 GENERAL BUSINESS

Discussion took place regarding Council's water allocation. Murrumbidgee Irrigation (MI) is to be invited to the next meeting to discuss a number of issues and to provide information. Committee members may submit questions prior to the next meeting to be presented to MI for comment.

8 NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Lake Wyangan & Catchment Management Committee is to be held on Thursday, 17 July 2025 at 5:00 pm.

There being no further business the meeting terminated at 6:41 pm.

CLAUSE CL01

TITLE Crown Land Trusteeship & Aboriginal Land Claims Surrounding Lake Wyangan.

FROM Vanessa Johns, Environment & Public Health Coordinator

TRIM REF 25/75495

SUMMARY

To provide information identifying Crown Land Trusteeship & Aboriginal Land Claims surrounding Lake Wyangan.

Please note: Aboriginal Land Claim mapping data is current as of July 2025.

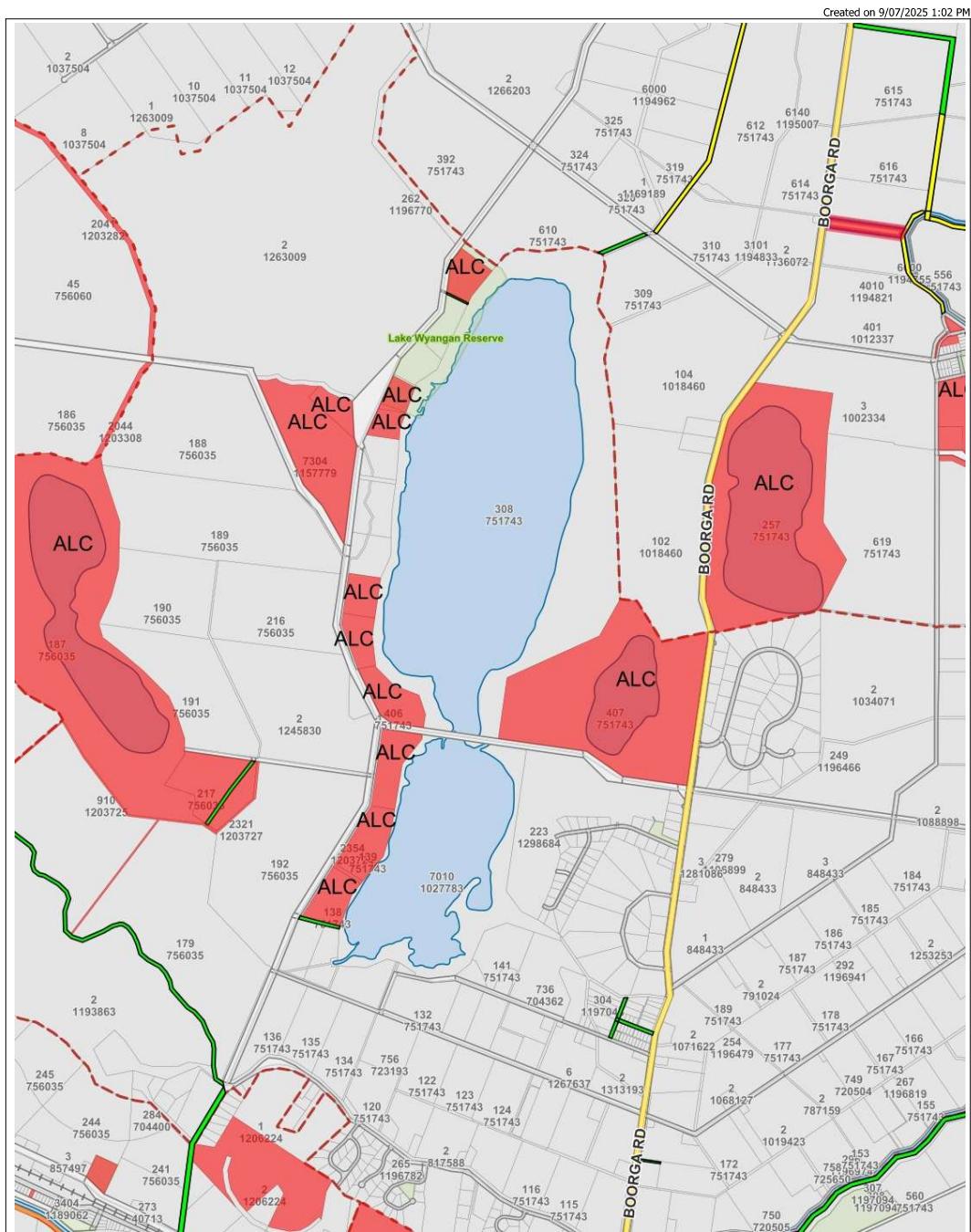
RECOMMENDATION

That the information be received.

ATTACHMENTS

(a)	Aboriginal Land Claims - Lake Wyangan Download	7
(b)	Crown Trusteeship - Lake Wyangan Download	8

CL01 Attachment (a) Aboriginal Land Claims - Lake Wyangan



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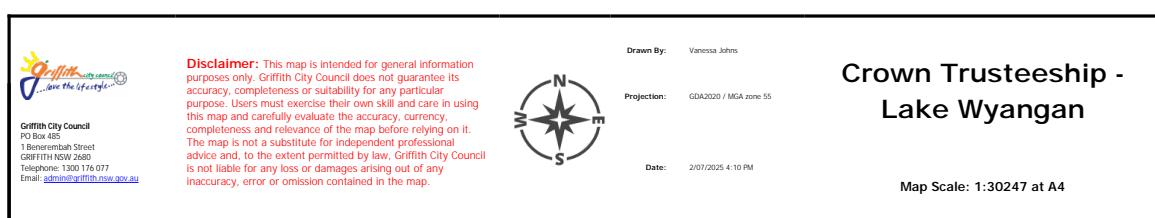
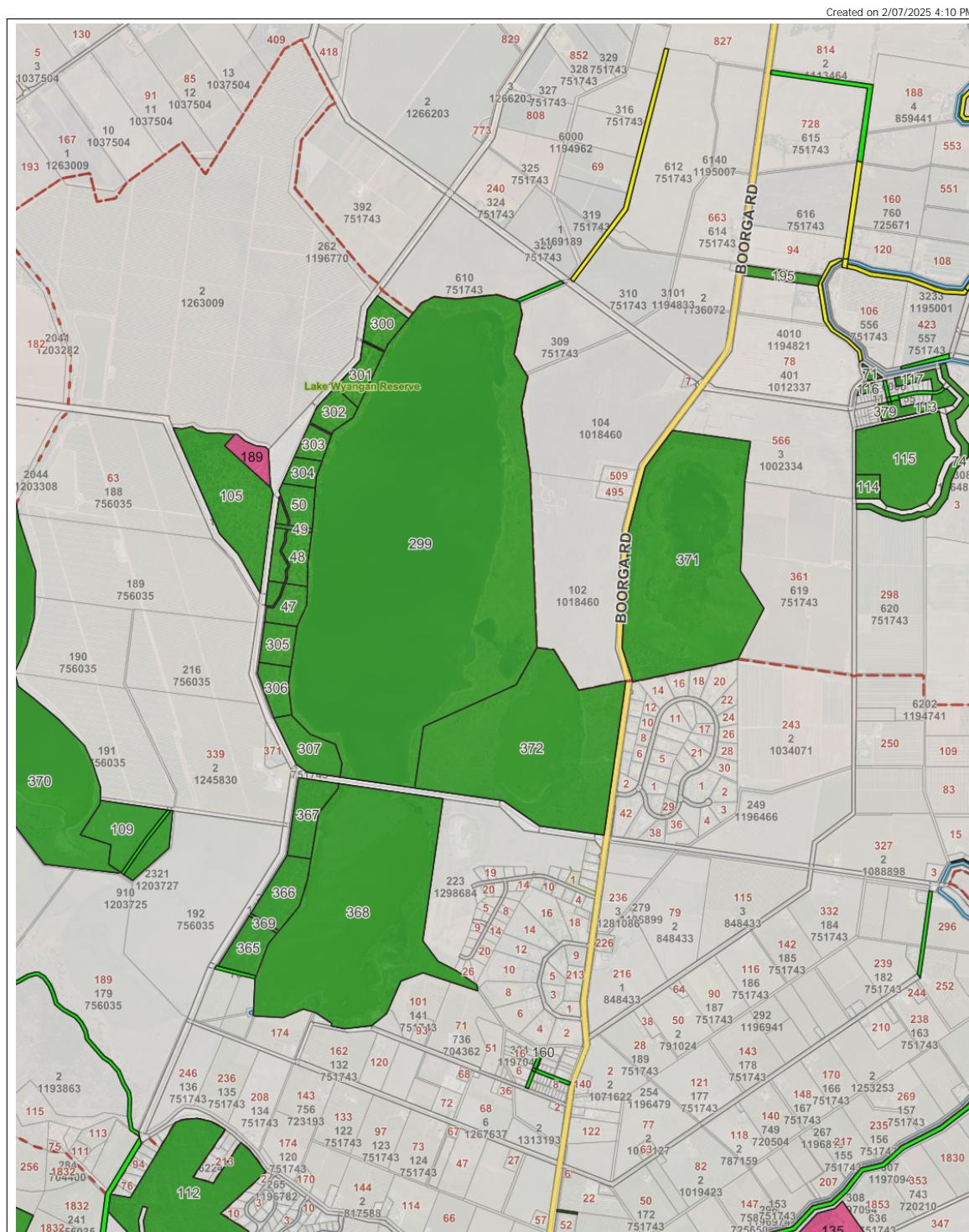
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Aboriginal Land Claims - Lake Wyangan

Map Scale: 1:30247 at A4



CLAUSE CL02**TITLE** Items/Actions Submitted for Agenda by Committee**FROM** Joanne Bollen, Governance Officer**TRIM REF** 25/71716**SUMMARY**

The below items were submitted by members of the Committee.

Item One

1. In line with the 2016 Lake Wyangan Catchment management plan the Committee recommends Council explore all options to deliver fresh water, equivalent to ½ the volume of the lake, annually. The current endorsed plan recommends a ¼ fill in Spring and ¼ fill in Autumn. At minimum the volume delivered to the lake should replace evaporation losses and water pumped to Barren Box (other than flood mitigation release) maintaining at fill level of 106m. With other significant bird areas in close proximity to the lake successfully sourcing Environmental water, we recommend exploring access to Environmental water to keep the water quality high and maintain healthy stands of phragmites reeds around the water's edge which provide shelter for threatened species like the Australasian Bittern.
2. Set target operating level for the lake of 106 (105.5-106m) that is based on maintaining recreational functionality and aquatic health, whilst managing capacity for holding significant rainfall events – see chart of water height v monthly rainfall data for Griffith Airport. Noting fish deaths occurred at low fill height in early 2020. Likely due to higher water temperature, depleted oxygen and low resilience due to salt concentration, algae and pH issues. Flooding occurred in 2022 after consecutive wetter than average months. Although it is not clear if there were other inflows into the lake which increased the October 22 flood height.
3. Engineering team provide height that would cause a flood event – 107m?? Also a table of calculated lake volume (North and South) at 104 to 107m at 50cm intervals, so that the committee and council can validate safe operating volume assumptions.
4. Provide the committee with historical records of water quality test results. Preferably in the tabular format provided to research organizations. For the time period that records are available, or at minimum since 2017. The endorsed management plan recommends that the Council provide transparent data to the community and the committee recommends that this is actioned.
5. Explore the use of Barley straw to lower nutrients and inhibit algal growth. Explore locally sourced barley straw for this project. As a pilot the committee suggests installing bales around incoming drains to slow flow, allowing some sediment removal, the decomposition of the barley which is high in carbon requires Nitrogen and Phosphorous, which makes these nutrients less available to BGA. Whilst the recommended rate for treatment of a water body may not be achievable, any positive, low cost action would be welcomed by the committee and community.
6. Council explore all viable methods of creating water movement. Circulation of water between lakes, surface level aeration through solar fountains, subsurface aeration or

other means need to be costed and explored. The committee would like to note that this could be achieved through moving water through a constructed wetland, that would have other added benefits, but with Nil budget and land use issues other options must be considered.

7. Council explore options for acid dosing to treat lower the lake pH, so that it is in the range of 6.5 to 8.0. Current pH is 9 and this would be preferential for BGA growth and inhibiting other nutrient using organisms.
8. Council have a resource that will implement water quality monitoring of pH, EC, Dissolved oxygen, Temperature and Turbidity of both lakes. Allocate budget to automate this monitoring, installing offshore metering and report results at least monthly.
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10. Council explore funding options for the recommendations put forward by Tom Mackerras, which were based on the 2016 management plan. This included sediment controls and carp removal.

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- Are there any options that MI knows of or could assist us with sourcing water to “dilute” the lake and if we can achieve EC below 800us, would there then be opportunities to pump through the lake back into supply channel?

Additional Items:

- Potable water for foreshore amenities, kiosk, camping area and other users along the western side of the lake. Consider ring main around the lake connecting new developments on East and rec users on West.
- MI inflow and outflow data to include Almond farm user in and out flow.

Item Two

The attached update from Sustainable Farms be added for discussion.

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RECOMMENDATION

That the information be received.

ATTACHMENTS

(a) Item One - Agenda Items from Committee Members ↓	12
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Joanne Bollen

From: josalvestro
Sent: Wednesday, 11 June 2025 7:09 PM
To: Joanne Bollen
Subject: FW: Re: Lake Items for discussion

Sent from my Galaxy

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From: Lisa Parker
Date: 11/6/25 7:57 am (GMT+10:00)
To:

Subject: Re: Lake Items for discussion

Adding Scott,
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On Tue, 10 Jun 2025 at 10:16 pm, Lisa Parker wrote:
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Joanne Bollen

From: Ema Munro
Sent: Friday, 9 May 2025 2:43 PM
To: Governance Workgroup; Joanne Bollen
Subject: Lake Wyangan Committee to add to agenda for discussion

Hi Joanne

Asking that the following article found in the attached update from Sustainable Farms be added for discussion at the next Lake Committee meeting please.

[Enhancing Remnant Vegetation Pilot monitoring](#)

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Thanks

Ema Munro

Project update: Enhancing Remnant Vegetation Pilot monitoring

Over the past year, the Sustainable Farms team have been rolling out the monitoring for the Australian Government's [Enhancing Remnant Vegetation \(ERV\) Pilot](#) across the country.

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Sustainable Farms is responsible for all ecological monitoring and evaluation on the projects registered under both national pilot programs across the six states of Australia. In collaboration with the Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water our team have established monitoring sites and conducted baseline monitoring for birds and vegetation at 79 project sites, in six NRM catchments in NSW, VIC, QLD, SA, WA and TAS. Projects in the ERV Pilot are scheduled to run until 2030.

Projects in the ERV Pilot are undertaking broadly similar management actions from the available toolbox for the program, including grazing management, pest and weed control, and revegetation. However, there is a significant variation at sites in the vegetation communities and their condition. This raises a range of challenges for determining appropriate methodology to compare the diversity across the projects. The monitoring will also provide important lessons to ensure the Government achieves the balance between cost and integrity in future monitoring regimes.



TITLE Outstanding Action Report

TRIM REF 25/71661

RECOMMENDATION

The report be noted.

ATTACHMENTS

(a) Action Report - Lake Wyangan and Catchment Management Committee - 17 Jul 2025 [↓](#) 18

Lake Wyangan & Catchment Management Committee Action Report				
Date of Meeting	Agenda Item	Action	Action Officer	Comment
19 June 2025	CL01 Presentation Optimal Stormwater	<p>RECOMMENDED on the motion of John Tagliapietra and Ema Munro that a Committee meeting be held in one month to consider a draft scope prepared by Council staff for the purpose of obtaining a quote for a sediment and nutrient discharge treatment at the North Lake.</p> <p>Mr Stonestreet requested the Committee also be provided with the likely cost of sediment removal once a system has been installed.</p> <p>Councillor Testoni requested that the Committee be informed who owns the land in the proposed location and whether or not it is subject to a Land Claim.</p>	Director Sustainable Development	
19 June 2025	CC01 Extension of Diatomix Trial South Lake	RECOMMENDED on the motion of Frank Battistel and Ema Munro that Council approve the extension of the Diatomix Trial at Lake Wyangan (South Lake) through to October 2025, with the allocation of \$6,382.00 (ex GST).	Director Sustainable Development	
24 April 2025	CL02 Diatomix Lake Wyangan South Trial Result to Date	It was agreed that the Certificate of Analysis from Sydney Water will be shared with the Committee on an ongoing basis. Additionally, research compiled in 2022 regarding the lake's salt levels will be distributed to all Committee members.	Director Sustainable Development	5/05/2025: Data to be sent to the Committee on a monthly basis.

24 April 2025	CL02 Diatomix Lake Wyangan South Trial Result to Date	<p>It was noted that the Boat Club has not received payment from the sale of water conducted six years ago. This matter was taken on notice for further investigation.</p>	Governance Officer & General Manager	<p>5/05/2025: Investigation ongoing. 23/05/2025: Council resolved at its meeting held 24 September 2019</p> <p>CL03 LAKE WYANGAN BOAT CLUB AND SAILING CLUB CONTRIBUTION</p> <p>19/297</p> <p><i>RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Doug Curran and Christine Stead that:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) <i>Council contribute \$40,000 (exc. GST) to Griffith Boat Club as a contribution towards the refurbishment of an existing toilet block.</i> (b) <i>Council contribute \$40,000 (exc. GST) to the Griffith Sailing Club as a contribution towards rebuilding a portion of a retaining wall at the water's edge.</i> (c) <i>In accordance with Council's Procurement Manual Policy – FS-PO-104, the Griffith Boat Club and Griffith Sailing Club provide Council 3 quotes for approval of works at each premises.</i> (d) <i>The Griffith Boat Club and the Griffith Sailing Club provide Council invoices up to the value of \$40,000 (excluding GST) for works carried out in accordance with the approved quotes.</i> (e) <i>That the assistance by Council as referred to in (a) to (d) above be subject to; whenever the water level is low in the Lake that the</i>
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				<p><i>Griffith Boat Club provide members of the community free access to the boat ramp.</i></p> <p>(f) <i>That the assistance by Council as referred to in (a) to (d) above be subject to; whenever the water level is low in the Lake the public have access to the Sailing Club grounds without access to the Club's facilities.</i></p> <p>Council wrote letters to the Sailing Club and Boat Club 24 October 2019. The Sailing Club responded to Council and completed works and were reimbursed for expenses incurred. Council does not have record of any subsequent communication from the Boat Club.</p>
24 April 2025	CL03 Lake Wyangan Agenda Item for Salt and Algae Issued - Proposed by Committee Members	Committee members requested that a representative from Murrumbidgee Irrigation (MI) be invited to attend the next meeting of the Lake Wyangan & Catchment Management Committee.	General Manager	<p>5/05/2025: The General Manager to contact Murrumbidgee Irrigation to invite a representative to the next meeting.</p> <p>12/06/2025: On 8 May 2025, an invitation was sent to the CEO of MI for a representative of MI to attend the meeting of the Committee scheduled for Thursday, 19 June 2025. A response has been received that the Manager Customer Services and Water Delivery – Lindsay Golsby-Smith is available to attend a meeting of the Committee. She is unavailable for the 19 June 2025 meeting but will be available the following meeting.</p>
24 April 2025	CL03 Lake Wyangan Agenda Item for Salt and Algae Issued -	It was raised that a 2017 recommendation suggested that one-quarter of the lake's capacity should be	Governance Officer & General Manager	5/05/2025: Investigation ongoing.

	Proposed by Committee Members	replenished annually. This matter was taken on notice for further investigation		
24 April 2025	General Business Data Transparency and Data Sharing	Data to be shared with Committee on a monthly basis.	Director Sustainable Development	5/05/2025: Data to be sent to the Committee on a monthly basis.
24 April 2025	General Business North Western Drainage Channel	Clarification was sought regarding the ownership of the drain connected to the lake.	Director Sustainable Development	5/05/2025: Director Sustainable Development to report to next Committee meeting regarding ownership.
24 April 2025	General Business Solar Pumps	The Committee requested that Council investigate the feasibility of using solar-powered water pumps with a capacity of 20 megalitres per day.	Director Sustainable Development	5/05/2025: Director Sustainable Development to obtain quotes.
19 March 2025	CL05 Lake Wyangan Data Analysis Report, January 2022 - Prepared by Dr. Philip Orr, Australian Rivers Institute, Griffith University, Brisbane	<p>RECOMMENDED on the motion of Councillor Tony O'Grady and John Tagliapietra that:</p> <p>(a) The Committee note the Lake Wyangan Data Analysis Report - Dr. Philip Orr - Griffith University and express appreciation to him for undertaking this project.</p> <p>(b) The Committee identify which recommendations included in the report it wishes to progress and Council explore opportunities for government grant funding to enable their implementation.</p>		5/05/2025: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Noted. (b) For consideration of the Committee at a future date.
15 May 2024	CL01 Draft Plan of Management - Lake Wyangan	<p>RECOMMENDED on the motion of Tom Mackerras and Frank Battistel that:</p> <p>(a) Council refer the Draft Plan of Management for Lake Wyangan, incorporating Jack Carson Wildlife Reserve (Crown Reserve 159017) and North Lake Wyangan (Crown</p>	Corporate Property Officer	<p>3/6/2024: Draft Plan of Management sent to Minister for approval to be exhibited.</p> <p>17/02/2025: Meeting held with Crown Land staff 11 Feb 2025. Schedule of outstanding POMs requested urgent attention of Ministers Office.</p>

		<p>Reserve 1002998) to the Minister administering the Crown Land Management Act 2016 for approval.</p> <p>(b) Upon approval of the Minister administering the Crown Land Management Act 2016 Council amends the Draft Plan of Management Lake Wyangan if required, and place it on public exhibition as per Section 38 of the Local Government Act 1993.</p> <p>(c) Native Title advice has been approved.</p> <p>(d) A report be presented to Council to adopt the final Plan of Management for Lake Wyangan on completion of the exhibition period, to consider all submissions.</p>		<p>3/03/2025: Crown Lands Dept has reviewed the draft PoM – pending some minor amendments – the draft PoM can be placed on public exhibition – Staff working through the requested amendment/s.</p>
11 April 2024	6.1 Water Quality of Drainage into Lake Wyangan	<p>Mr Williams tabled a letter pertaining to the Water Quality of Drainage into Lake Wyangan with concerns about drainage licencing, and the size and quantity of outlets on properties. He has asked that Council contact Murrumbidgee Irrigation in regards to this issue. Councillor Curran advised that Council will follow up with Murrumbidgee Irrigation.</p>	GM/Director SD	<p>06/11/2024: Senior staff have discussed drainage challenges into Lake Wyangan but Murrumbidgee Irrigation (MI) haven't been specifically asked the question regarding licencing requirements that discharge water via infrastructure into Lake Wyangan.</p> <p>Council will now write to MI, enclosing a copy of Mr Williams letter, to seek a formal response to his enquiries.</p> <p>5/05/2025: The General Manager will send a copy of Mr Williams letter when inviting Murrumbidgee Irrigation to next Committee meeting.</p>

15 February 2024	7.1 Aerating the Lake Water	<p>RECOMMENDED on the motion of Frank Battistel and Franco Pistillo that Council:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Obtain costings to investigate the cost and benefits of installing water jets to aerate the lake water. (b) Obtain costings for capital works. 	Director SD	<p>15/05/2024: Mr Gibbs suggested that the Council and the Committee investigate an aeration device as part of a scope of works in a future master plan for Lake Wyangan, and potentially using the existing pump once works have been carried out to connect the pump to mains power.</p> <p>5/05/2025: Advice provided by Professor David Hamilton was that aeration of a shallow lake would not address water quality issues.</p>
16 November 2023	CL01 Lake Wyangan Project Officer Position	<p>RECOMMENDED on the motion of Carmel LaRocca and Thomas Mackerras that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) The position of Lake Wyangan Project Officer be removed from Council's Organisation Structure. (b) A further report be prepared for the Committee by January 2026 in regard to the position of Lake Wyangan Project Officer. 	GM	<p>15/02/2024: Further report to the Committee in January 2026.</p>