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## Water Management Policy

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### CONVEYANCE

#### OVERVIEW

Maniototo Irrigation Company (MIC) has three sub schemes, within these schemes there are differing arrangements for water conveyance.

#### PURPOSE OF POLICY

The purpose of this policy is to ensure that shareholders who are conveying water under a previously arranged agreements know that they can continue to convey water under their current arrangement in the immediate future.

The policy is also designed to ensure that all shareholders are aware of the rules and guidelines for water conveyance across the wider scheme. It has been designed to bring to the attention of those who are using the race networks for conveyance that they will in time be asked to sign a formal agreement as we work through these terms for each specific case.

#### Principals

1. That for all conveyance agreements the board will consider the race capacity and that no affect will be felt by MIC shareholders on any other part of the scheme.
2. The board understands that many shareholders with current arrangements have developed their irrigation infrastructure around the ability to use the race for water supply.
3. That future requests need to be looked at in a fair and equitable manner.
4. That geographical location is a key factor to consider when shareholders request to convey water through a race network.
5. That a fair and reasonable annual contribution to the race maintenance will be charged.
6. That consideration is made to loss and evaporation if water is traveling long distances.
7. That if shareholder demand supersedes race capacity, introduced water that is not scheme water from the MIC consent will need to be reviewed by the management team (Ops & GM) at their discretion.

## POLICY

1. All written applications to the General Manager of MIC from any shareholder wishing to convey water between schemes will be taken to the board for consideration if it meets all or most of the principles above. The GM will make a recommendation to the Board after considering all operational matters.
2. Once a decision is made and if in the favour of the shareholder, clear records will be maintained to help the operations team know of the water distribution between the shareholders points of take.
3. Each conveyance arrangement will be unique, therefore a written agreement between the parties will be created, including terms for review & responsibilities.
4. All other supply agreement terms must be adhered to.

## FEES

MIC will advise the Shareholder of the rate for water conveyed through another race's infrastructure (Conveyancing Fee) annually.

MIC will issue invoices for the Conveyancing Fee to the Shareholder. The Shareholder will pay each invoice issued by MIC in accordance with the terms of the invoice without delay.

## ASSIGNMENT

The Shareholder is not entitled to assign its rights and obligations under this policy to any subsequent owner of the Property. The board will review the terms of the agreement at any time of sale or transfer and have the right to make amendments to align with changes to the consent conditions and/or any regional authority rules.

## APPLICATION

This policy applies to all MIC shareholders and irrigators.

## Review of Policy

This policy will be reviewed annually as per the boards policy review cycle.

## Version Control:

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