

Nutrient Budget Policy

Version 1

Date approved by the Board: May 2019

Commencement date: May 2019

Purpose

The purpose of this Policy is to ensure Shareholders and Waimakariri Irrigation Limited (WIL) meet their respective obligations under WIL's resource consents, by ensuring that all nutrient budgets are prepared on a consistent basis and in a timely manner.

Background

As part of the conditions of Consent CRC184861 (To Discharge Contaminants to Land) WIL is required to report to Environment Canterbury (ECan) on the following:

- Condition 10(e) vii:

The total annual loss of nitrogen from all properties within the Irrigation Scheme or Principal Water Supplier over the reported year.

- Condition 10(e) viii

The annual average nitrogen loss to water for each property listed in Schedule CRC184861A and Schedule CRC184861B, as calculated in accordance with Appendix CRC184861A;

This reporting requires the completion of an annual Nutrient Budget on all the Shareholder properties that are managed in accordance with the WIL Audited Self Management (ASM) program. The annual Nutrient Budget must be completed using OVERSEER® (or equivalent).

At the time of preparing this Policy (May 2019), WIL (in agreement with ECan) has only been requiring annual Nutrient Budgets on properties over 20 hectares. WIL may give notice changing this requirement, should ECan change its requirement.

Policy

All Shareholder properties included in the WIL ASM program (and which are managed in accordance with a Farm Environment Plan) are required to complete an annual Nutrient Budget.

The Nutrient Budget must be completed using OVERSEER® FM (or equivalent):

- The OVERSEER® FM account must be set up with WIL having administration rights with the Shareholder as the account owner, and the OVERSEER® account must join the "Waimakariri Irrigation Limited OVERSEER® organisation".
- All Nutrient Budgets must be completed with consistent modelling and in a format and to a standard that meets WIL requirements, as may be notified by WIL from time to time. Nutrient Budgets must be completed by a consultant who has completed the Massey University "Advanced Nutrient Management" course, or equivalent.

WIL reserves the right to review a Shareholders Nutrient Budget. If WIL determines (in its sole discretion) that the Nutrient Budget does not meet the requirements of this Policy or is in any way unsatisfactory, WIL may require the Nutrient Budget to be resubmitted on terms that are acceptable to WIL

Nutrient Budgets must be supplied by email to the address compliance@wil.co.nz before 5.00pm on 30 August of each year.

The Shareholder will meet all the costs associated with completion of the required Nutrient Budget.

Shareholders are reminded that subject to clause 1.4b and clause 16 of the WIL Water Supply Agreement, the supply of water to a Shareholder may cease if the conditions in this Policy are not met.

This Policy may be amended from time to time.