



## CLEARANCES FROM WMI INFRASTRUCTURE

### 1. Purpose

This Policy serves to ensure clearances from all Western Murray Irrigation supply and drainage infrastructure for any re-development of customers' properties are consistent and adhered to in accordance with stipulations made by the Board of Directors.

### 2. Scope

This Policy applies to all WMI outlets, supply and drainage infrastructure (WMI infrastructure including, but not limited to, deep and surface drains; levees; pipelines; power/communication structures and buildings) and to all properties and customers within the WMI area of operations.

### 3. Policy

#### 3.1 Notification of any works near WMI infrastructure

3.1 (1) Any works near WMI infrastructure are required to be notified to WMI. WMI may be required to identify location of infrastructure and authorise and inspect any proposed works.

#### 3.2 Supply and Drainage Infrastructure Clearances

3.2 (1) The minimum distance to be maintained from the outside edge of WMI's infrastructure, when re-developing farms, is three (3) metres.

3.2 (2) The minimum distance to be maintained from the outside edge of WMI's infrastructure, when crossing over pipes, is three hundred (300) mm vertically with a minimum of six hundred (600) mm cover.

#### 3.3 Customer Responsibility

3.3 (1) Customers will be held accountable for any damage they inflict to WMI infrastructure, irrespective of whether they have adhered to WMI's Clearance Policy or not.

3.3 (2) The closer customers develop their properties to WMI's infrastructure, the more likely they are to incur inconvenience and cost if and when WMI staff need to perform maintenance or emergency works.

3.3 (3) In an emergency, WMI staff will be instructed to take whatever measures are appropriate to secure the integrity of the infrastructure and continue supplying water to customers.

3.3 (4) If any commercial, ornamental or native plantings are located within three (3) metres of WMI infrastructure on a WMI reserve, WMI retains the right to remove the plantings to allow access for repairs and maintenance.

3.3 (5) WMI will attempt to minimise damage to permanent plantings, but the cost of damage and replacing plantings will remain the customer's financial responsibility.

#### 3.4 Buildings and heavy equipment

3.4 (1) Buildings and heavy equipment must be built or stored at least six (6) metres from WMI's infrastructure unless prior approval from WMI management.

3.4 (2) Any buildings or shedding should only be located on the offtake side of an outlet.

3.4 (3) Any existing shedding enclosing an outlet should be accessible 24/7 by WMI staff.