

**Minutes of the Management Committee Meeting  
of Lake Baroon Catchment Care Group**

Held by Zoom  
Thursday June 11th 2020

The meeting commenced at 6.10 pm  
**Peter Stevens**, Chair

**0127.1 Welcome and Apologies**

<b>Attendance:</b>	Peter Stevens	President	Sally Watter	Committee Member
	Bob Philpot	Treasurer	Mark Amos	Manager
	Steven Lang	Secretary	Paul Mackay	Project Manager
	Keith Schelberg	Committee Member	Matt Bateman	Project Manager
	Marek Malter	Member	Luke Ferguson	Project Manager
			Claire Wynn	Office Manager

**Apologies:** Heather Spring, Warwick Nash, Paul Gilmour-Walsh

**0127.2 Minutes of the last Management Committee Meeting of LBCCG, held on Thursday May 14<sup>th</sup> 2020**

**Motion:** *That the Minutes of the previous meeting, as circulated, be accepted*

**Moved:** Bob Philpot

**Seconded:** Steven Lang

**Carried**

**0127.2.1 Business arising from minutes**

**0127.3 Correspondence**

Correspondence tabled (see Attachment1: Correspondence)

**0127.3.1 Business arising from Correspondence**

**Motion:** *That the Correspondence inwards be accepted and Correspondence outwards be endorsed*

**Moved:** Keith Schelberg

**Seconded:** Steven Lang

**Carried**

**0127.4 Treasurer's Report**

**Motion:** *That the Treasurer's Report as tabled be accepted*

**Moved:** Bob Philpot

**Seconded:** Peter Stevens

**Carried**

**0127.4.1 Payment Schedule**

**Motion:** *That the Treasurer's Payment Schedule for May-June be endorsed*

**Moved:** Sally Watter

**Seconded:** Keith Schelberg

Carried

**0127.4.2 2019-20 Project Rationalisation**

**Motion:** *That the Committee recommends the reallocation of funds from underspent projects as listed below. The total reallocated funds amount to \$15,737.16.*

**Underspent Projects**

Clark Ck OSW Stage 1 1617-008  
Lower Bridge Creek Erosion 1718-002  
Northern Alcorn Creek Stage 2 1718-006  
Clark Creek OSW Stage2 1718-008

**Overspent Projects**

Daley Ck Riparian Fencing & OSW 1819-008  
Alcorn Ck Recovery Stage2 1819-014  
Temporary Project 1920-000

**Moved:** Peter Stevens

**Seconded:** Bob Philpot

Carried

**0127.4.3 Business arising from Treasurer's Report**

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**0127.5 Priority Business**

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**0127.6 Reports**

**0127.6.1 Project Manager** – Matt Bateman – Bunya Block and Weeds

**0127.6.2 Project Manager** – Luke Ferguson - CORE projects and Landslides

**Motion:** *That the reports be accepted*

**Moved:** Sally Watter

**Seconded:** Keith Schelberg

Carried

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**0127.7 General Business**

**0127.7.1 Work Health and Safety Report**  
Nothing to report

**0127.7.2 DRAFT 2020/21 Annual Work Plan update**  
Noted

**0127.7.3 2019/20 CORE Agricultural projects for approval**

**0127.7.3.1 1920-006 Upper Alcorn Creek Riparian Fencing**

Upper Alcorn Creek Riparian Fencing, Stage 2 will be implemented in a very high priority management unit (Alcorn Creek) that delivers high levels of nutrients and high volumes of sediment to Bridge Creek and ultimately Baroon Pocket Dam. Garry Crick has recently purchased the 77-hectare, ex-Marsson property (two titles) to expand his intensive beef grazing enterprise. The newly acquired block adjoins Cricks' 104-hectare property immediately to the north. Garry Crick will manage the two cattle properties as one entity. Alcorn Creek splits the property in two and has no riparian fencing, allowing unmanaged cattle access.

Properties in the Alcorn Creek catchment remain large as the topography does not lend itself to broad scale subdivision or development. The land has several key management issues – steep, landslip prone hillslopes (although the new Crick property is stable), variable soils that are easily compacted and/or eroded, and numerous watercourses fed by springs and soaks. The property has two small stands of remnant vegetation and a large area of regrowth vegetation in an inaccessible valley. The project primarily aims to reduce livestock contact with streams but will also support weed management activities in the degraded remnant and riparian zone by facilitating other external funding support.

**Motion:** *That the Committee endorses the previous email decision to approve this project*

**Moved:** Peter Stevens

**Seconded:** Marek Malter

**Carried**

#### **0127.7.3.4 1920-008 Daley Creek Riparian Fencing & Off Stream Water Stage 2.**

Daley Creek Riparian Fencing & Off Stream Water Stage 2 will be implemented in moderate to high priority management units (headwaters of Obi Obi Creek including the major tributary Daley Creek) that deliver very high volumes of nutrients and likely high levels of faecal material (E.coli and pathogens) to Obi Obi Creek and ultimately Baroon Pocket Dam.

The project is a medium sized project, but is very complicated due to requiring the co-ordination of two landholders to successfully complete riparian fencing and revegetation. Years ago, agreements were made between landholders, in regards to rural boundaries along creeks and in rough country, to have a "give and take fence" which follows a line that is easier to construct or maintain, or provides both landholders access to creek water for livestock. In these circumstances fences are generally not fenced on the surveyed line, as is the case for this project. As a result, there is a need to coordinate with both landholders, Gartshore and Keyes, and the Barlows', to ensure that there is a continued agreement upon the management of the give and take area.

Barry Gartshore and Sally Keyes own a 40-hectare property that has extensive frontage to Obi Obi Creek (800 m) and Obi Obi tributary Daley Creek (890 metres). Following on from the riparian fencing in Stage 1, Stage 2 continues to manage livestock in riparian zones through fencing Obi Obi Creek. Currently (until riparian vegetation is established and livestock are excluded permanently), livestock have unrestricted access to riparian zones along Obi Obi Creek.

Yolande and Stewart Barlow own a 46.7 ha property that also has extensive frontage to Obi Obi Creek (800 m). The block is used for cattle grazing primarily, similar to Gartshore and Keyes. The Barlows currently have some riparian fencing in place along Obi Obi creek opposite Gartshore and Keyes, and as such cattle currently are restricted access to Obi Obi Creek. However, due to the give and take fence line not following exactly where the property boundary is, there is a need to coordinate with the Barlows, as new riparian fencing and revegetation will occur on their land, even though it is outside of their property boundary.

The absence of riparian fencing along Obi Obi Creek on the properties, and a lack of internal property fencing results in animals spending long periods in these areas grazing, drinking and loafing (minimal shade is present in paddocks). Completing the riparian fencing will improve livestock management (split property into more paddocks) and pasture health, and will stop a reliance on natural watercourses for stock water. The project primarily aims to reduce livestock access contact with streams but will also support landholder (and Sunshine Coast Council) interest in protecting and revegetating property riparian zones

**Motion:** *That the Committee endorses the previous email decision to approve this project*

**Moved:** Peter Stevens

**Seconded:** Keith Schelberg

**Carried**

#### **0127.7.3.5 1920-004 Pacific Plantations Weed Management & Revegetation Stage 2**

Pacific Farms Weed Management & Revegetation Stage 2 will be implemented in a moderate priority management unit (upper reaches of Obi Obi Creek) that delivers relatively high levels of nutrients and faecal material to Obi Obi Creek and ultimately Baroon Pocket Dam. Pacific Farms is the third largest property in the Baroon catchment, supporting 22,000 macadamia trees and has a long frontage to Obi Obi Creek. LBCCG has been working with Pacific Farms for a long time, establishing buffers on property waterways, rehabilitating stream crossings and implementing weed management. New management approached LBCCG for assistance to expand the areas of native vegetation and enhance existing vegetation (much of it previous revegetation) to provide habitat and food sources for native pollinator insects. Additionally, native vegetation, rather than weeds, provides less pest harbour (rats) and encourages a heavier density of predators. The project aims to support Pacific Farms to establish and improve pollinator and predator habitat while reducing risk to water quality by improving stream stability, establishing riparian vegetation and protecting and enhancing remnant vegetation (and threatened species).

**Motion:** *That the Committee endorses the plan as tabled*

**Moved:** Peter Stevens

**Seconded:** Sally Watter

**Carried**



<b>Correspondence</b>			
<b>Inwards Correspondence from 13th May 2020</b>			
<b>Date</b>	<b>Notes</b>	<b>Action</b>	<b>Person</b>
12-May-20	SCC (Julie O'Connor) COVID-19 Community Response Grants	respond	MA
12-May-20	QWALC - Naturally together Newsletter	circulate	SL
13-May-20	Weed Spotters Network Bulletin	circulate	SL
14-May-20	BMRG - Weekly Bulletin	circulate	SL
15-May-20	Landcare Australia Survey	circulate	SL
18-May-20	QWALC - Naturally together Newsletter	circulate	SL
18-May-20	SCEC - World Environment Day Festival	circulate	SL
21-May-20	BMRG - Weekly Bulletin	circulate	SL
21-May-20	Seqwater (Julian O'Mara) Bunya Block Weeks Road option 3	respond	MB
26-May-20	BMRG move to Ag Tech Facility at Bagara	file	MA
27-May-20	CSA Grants - Approval to removal of Field Day from project	file	MA
28-May-20	BMRG - Weekly Bulletin	circulate	SL
28-May-20	Seqwater (Joel Hodge) Contract Order for Year 6 (20/21) Contribution Agreement	respond	MA
28-May-20	Maleny State High School (J O'Connell) Geography field trip	respond	MA
29-May-20	Healthy Land and Water - newsletter	circulate	SL
29-May-20	Regenerative Agriculture Alliance Newsletter	circulate	SL
01-Jun-20	Seqwater (Julian O'Mara) Environment Review - Bunya Block	file	MB
04-Jun-20	BMRG - Weekly Bulletin	circulate	SL
04-Jun-20	Hinterland Bush Links - Roving Restorers North Maleny 12/06/2020	circulate	SL
04-Jun-20	Northern Consulting Engineers - updated options for Access Road, Bunya Block	respond	MB
05-Jun-20	CSA Grants - Threatened Species Recovery and Resilience grants	noted	MA
08-Jun-20	Seqwater (Julian O'Mara) Comments on Annual Work Plan Draft	file	MA
09-Jun-20	Site Skills Training - Training dates for Inspect and clean machinery certificate	respond	CW
<b>Outwards Correspondence from 13th May 2020</b>			
<b>Date</b>	<b>Notes</b>	<b>Action</b>	<b>Person</b>
14-May-20	LBCCG Management Committee - paperwork for April meeting	sent	SL
12-May-20	CSA Grants - request to remove Field Day from project	sent	MA
13-May-20	Seqwater (Julian O'Mara) Confirmation LBCCG (Paul) will do a presentation for SEQwater Teams meeting	sent	MA
14-May-20	Seqwater (Christiane Hodgkinson) power outages 455 North Maleny Road	sent	MA
20-May-20	Seqwater (Julian O'Mara) Bunya Block-Weeks Road option 3	sent	MB
21-May-20	LBCCG Management Committee - Biosecurity & Washdown Policy	sent	LF
27-May-20	Seqwater (Julian O'Mara) Bunya Block - Weed Management Stage 2 2020-2030	sent	MB
27-May-20	Bob Philpot - Annual Work Plan Draft - for comment	sent	MA
28-May-20	Seqwater (Julian O'Mara) Annual Work Plan Draft - for comment	sent	MA
28-May-20	Maleny State High School (J O'Connell) Geography field trip - confirmation	sent	MA
03-Jun-20	Kellie Rogers - Bunya Block Stream Crossing Enquiry	sent	MB
03-Jun-20	LBCCG Management Committee - Annual Work Plan Draft	sent	MA
08-Jun-20	LBCCG Management Committee - Pacific Farm Management & Reveg Stage 2 - proposed Project	sent	LF
08-Jun-20	Bob Philpot - 2019-20 Project Rationalisation	sent	MA