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IN THE MATTER OF THE QUEENSLAND FLOODS COMMISSION OF INQUIRY

A COMMISSION OF INQUIRY UNDER THE COMMISSIONS OF INQUIRY ACT 1950

AND PURSUANT TO COMMISSIONS OF INQUIRY ORDER (No. 1) 2011

STATEMENT OF GRAHAM KEEGAN

On th	ic 31 Ma	rch 2011, I, Graham Keegan, of			
1.	I am currently employed by Queensland Bulk Water Supply Authority (Sequator) as Engineering Officer (Central Operations) and Storage Supervisor. I held this position with South Bast Queensland Water Corporation from 2006 until November 2007, and from then with Sequator.				
2.	I make this statement in response to a requirement dated 25 March 2011 issued by Justice Catherine E Holmes, Commissioner of Inquiry, pursuant to section 5(1)(d) of the Commissions of Inquiry Act 1950 (Qld).				
Impa	cts of da	m releases immediately downstream of Wivenhoe Dam (in the Brisbane Valley)			
3.	I am aware that roleases from Wivenhoe Dam can have impacts immediately downstream of the dam, including:				
	(n)	The submersion of bridges and associated access problems.			
	(b)	Damage to farming equipment (initially to irrigation pumps and motors).			
	(c)	The disruption of farming activities, including cattle grazing.			
	(d)	At higher release rates, damage to bridges, and other property.			
Comr	nunicati	ons with landholders in the area immediately downstream of Wivenhoe Dam between 1 and			

19 January 2011 (the Period)

4. During the flood event in January 2011:

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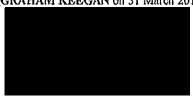
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- (a) I was responsible for providing information relating to releases from Wivenhoe Dam to certain landholders in the area immediately downstream of the dam.
- (b) I received by email situation reports from the Flood Operations Centre, which I used to gauge potential impacts on the area immediately downstream of the dam.
- 5. In December 2010, togother with others, I met with representatives of a group called the Mid-Brisbane River Irrigators (the MBRI). That group's membership includes persons who draw water from the Brisbane River in the area between Wivenhoe Dam and Mt Crosby Weir. Many of these persons own land which borders the Brisbane River. At the meeting it was agreed that Sequater would communicate directly with holders of land on the banks of the Brisbane River from Wivenhoe Dam down as far as Mt Crosby Weir, primarily by email, to inform them of anticipated releases or variations to releases, and the possible impact of such releases on the area immediately downstream of the dam. After the meeting, I compiled an email list of the landholders with whom Sequater was to communicate, based on information provided to me by the MBRI (Email List).
- During the Period, I sent group emails to those on the Binail List to update them on releases (Group Emails). Annexure GK1 is a paginated bundle of all the Group Emails.
- 7. I sent copies of the Group Emails to Mike Foster who is the manager of strategic relations and communications at Sequeter, and copies of the later emails to Paul Bird who was acting manager of strategic relations and communications during the flood event.
- 8. From 17 January 2011 onwards I also forwarded copies of the Group Emails to Daniel Garcia, a Sequenter employee who was involved with the Rural Fire Brigade in the Wivenhoe Pocket district, so that he could pass the information on to others as he thought appropriate.
- In addition to the Group Emails, I engaged in some email correspondence with individual landholders
 immediately downstream of Wivenhoe Dam during the Period. Annexure GK2 is a copy of these
 emails.
- 10. I also had some phone conversations with landholders immediately downstream of Wivenhoe Dam during the period. I can recall the following details:
 - (a) I spoke to both Ken Schmidt and Darren Zanow a number of times during the Period.
 - (b) Kon Schmidt is the head of the MBRI and Darren Zanow is the Managing Director of Zanows' Sand & Gravel, a river sediment mining business in the area.
 - (c) During the period of 6 January to 13 January I probably spoke to Ken or Darren at least once a day.
 - (d) In these conversations I was primarily:

- responding to requests from Ken and Darron for further information about releases;
 or
- (ii) responding to rumours which Ken or Darren had heard about Wivenhoe Dam and / flood releases.
- (e) I spoke with Graeme Lehman (Mayor, Somerset Regional Council) on Tuesday 11 January 2011 regarding the availability of emergency assistance for evacuation of residents in the Wivenhoe Pocket district; after visiting the area I called him to advise that the Wivenhoe Pocket Rural Pire Brigade was offering assistance to affected residents.
- (f) At one stage, on or after Wednesday 12 January 2011, I had a conversation with Ken Schmidt about release rates. This was after the releases from Wivenhoe Dam had peaked at about 7,450 m³/s on the Tuesday. Ken told me that he was concerned that releases would be increased like that again and I told him that I had no information consistent with that concern. I remember checking with the FOC and confirming that at that stage there was no plan to increase releases from Wivenhoe Dam in that way.
- 11. I am sure I also spoke with other landholders during the Period, but I do not recall the details of any of these conversations.
- I did not keep may notes of any phone conversations I had with landholders during the Period.
- 13. In addition to telephone conversations, I also recall speaking face to face with friends and neighbours in the Wivenhoe Pocket district during the times I was not working during the Period. I do not recall the content of any of these conversations, beyond that I made general comments about what was occurring, consistent with the information contained in the emails at Annexure GK1.

Signed by GRAHAM KEEGAN on 31 March 2011 at Brisbano.



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From:

Graham Keegan

Sent:

Wednesday, 5 January 2011 12:26 PM

To:



Cc;

Mike Foster

Subject: BoM Severe Weather Warning - Dam flood operations.

Good afternoon MBRI members and other residents,

BoM has released a Severe Weather Warning for rainfall commencing tonight over SE Qid. Significant totals of 100 to 200mm may occur during the next few days.

Somerset and Wivenhoe Dams are still above FSL and rising slowly due to continuing base-flows from their catchments. As the catchments are still wet (low expected initial losses) it is likely that we will be releasing flood waters in the near future if BoM's forecasts are accurate.

Please be prepared. We will keep you up to date with our plans as this event develops.

Regards,

Graham Keegan

Engineering officer
Queensland Bulk Water Supply Authority trading as Seqwater



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PO Box 37, FERNVALE, Q., 4306. Website | <u>www.seqwater.com.au</u>

From:

Graham Keegan

Sent:

Thursday, 6 January 2011 12:33 PM

To:



Gc:

Mike Foster

Subject: Releases from Wivenhoe Dam.

Good afternoon MBRI members and other residents,

We will commence releases via the Wivenhoe Dam gates from 1800hrs (6PM) tonight. At present our plan is to increase the flow to 250cumecs by 2200hrs (10PM) and to keep high level crossings such as Burton's Bridge open for as long as possible.

This is dependent upon development of the current rainfall event. Note that BoM forecast is for rain up until Tuesday next week. Larger inflows will translate to larger releases.

Lockyer Creek is still flowing and rising at various monitoring stations along the creek.

We will provide further updates as necessary. Don't forget the websites and 1800 number.

Regards.

Graham Keegan

Engineering officer

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From:

Graham Keegan

Sent:

Thursday, 6 January 2011 4:39 PM

To:



Cc:

Mike Foster

Subject: RE: Releases from Wivenhoe Dam - change to plans..

Good afternoon MBRI members and other residents,

The flooding situation has deteriorated since my last email.

Lockyer Creek is rising at present and estimates indicate a peak of approx 600 to 700cumecs at O'Reilly's Weir late tomorrow. This will close all crossings except Fernvale and Mt Crosby Weir bridges. Burton's Bridge will be submerged again – possibly early Saturday morning.

The upper Brisbane River is reaching "moderate" flood levels. Somerset Dam's catchment is receiving rainfall but serious flooding is only occurring in the Kilcoy Creek zone at present. Both Wivenhoe and Somerset Dams are rising.

Contrary to the previous email and providing the weather does not change significantly, we do not expect to commence releases from Wivenhoe Dam until the Lockyer Creek peak passes O'Reilly's Weir late tomorrow. Our maximum release rate will again reach similar levels to the last release.

Expect crossings to be submerged for a couple of days again. We'll update the situation when we have further information.

Regards,

Graham Keegan

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From:

Graham Keegan

Sent:

Friday, 7 January 2011 10:56 AM

To:



Cc:

Mike Foster

Subject: Releases from Wivenhoe Dam.

Good afternoon MBRI members and other residents,

Lockyer Creek is beginning to peak at O'Reilly's Weir. High level crossings (except Fernvale and Mt Crosby Weir bridges) will be submerged later today.

As we expect heavy rainfall from Sunday to Tuesday (BoM predictions) we will begin releasing flood water from Wivenhoe Dam at 3PM today. Release rate will initially reach 1200cumecs; but may be increased to 1500cumecs rapidly if conditions deteriorate in the catchments. At present we expect to hold the peak rate for a couple of days and continue releasing until the end of the week.

Somerset Dam will also be releasing into Wivenhoe Dam at this time.

We'll keep you informed of our plans. Don't forget the websites and 1800 number.

Regards,

Graham Keegan Engineering officer Queensland Bulk Water Supply Authority *trading as* Sequater



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From: Graham Keegan

Sent: Saturday, 8 January 2011 8:26 PM

To:



Cc:

Mike Foster

Subject: Releases from Wivenhoe Dam.

Good evening MBRI members and other residents,

Current releases from Wivenhoe Dam are 1250cumecs. Our aim tonight is to keep to a maximum flow of 1600cumecs in the mid-Brisbane River (including Lockyer Creek). Without changes to weather conditions, crossings are expected to be affected until Wednesday 12/01.

The current BoM Severe Weather Warning predicts the return of rainfall tonight (radar is indicating rain bands moving onto the northern NSW coast at present). Forecast for the next 4 days is for significant rainfall across 5E QLD. Possible scenarios include a reduction in release rate to accommodate potential flooding in the Bremer River; however they also include larger releases from Wivenhoe Dam if heavy rainfall strikes our catchments. Releases may then extend to the week-end or later.

We'll keep you updated as events develop. Don't forget the websites and 1800 number.

Regards,

Graham Keegan Engineering officer Queensland Bulk Water Supply Authority trading as Seqwater



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From: Graham Keegan

Sent: Sunday, 9 January 2011 8:33 PM

To:



Cc:

Mike Foster

Subject: Releases from Wivenhoe Dam.

Good evening MBRI members and other residents,

Current releases from Wivenhoe Dam are 1400cumecs. Our aim is to keep to a maximum flow of 1600cumecs in the mid-Brisbane River for the next 24 hours if possible. We may reduce the release as Lockyer Creek flooding increases. At present river crossings are expected to be closed until Saturday 15/01 if conditions don't deteriorate further.

However, please note that we are experiencing major flooding in our catchments. Inflows are approx 5000cumecs in the upper-Brisbane river and 3000cumecs in the Stanley River system, with rainfall continuing.

The current BoM Severe Weather Warning predicts heavy rainfall until Tuesday. If these totals eventuate in the next 12 to 24 hours, higher releases from Wivenhoe Dam will be necessary. Fernvale and Mt Crosby Weir Bridges may be affected as early as Tuesday morning.

We'll keep you updated as events develop. Don't forget the websites and 1800 number.

Regards,

Graham Keegan

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From:

Graham Keegan

Sent:

Monday, 10 January 2011 3:25 AM

To:



Cc:

Mike Foster

Subject: Releases from Wivenhoe Dam.

Good morning MBRI members and other residents,

We have experienced a rapid increase in river levels and inflow rates in the upper-Brisbane River. As an example the peak flow at Gregor's Creek station (near Toogoolawah) is similar to the 1974 peak flow at Savage's Crossing (combination of Brisbane River, Lockyer Creek and Somerset Dam releases at that time). The Stanley River is also experiencing major flooding. Flow rates in both rivers may increase if predicted rainfall occurs.

Flood water and releases began to affect Fernvale Bridge before mid-night. Mt Crosby Weir Bridge was closed at the same time.

Increases in Wivenhoe Dam release rates began at 0200hrs this morning. Initial target is 2600cumecs, and potential peak rate is 3500cumecs. The release is now expected to continue until at least Sunday 16/01.

Regards,

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From:

Graham Keegan

Sent:

Monday, 10 January 2011 9:03 PM

To:



Cc:

Mike Foster; Paul Bird

Subject: Releases from Wivenhoe Dam.

Good evening MBRI members and other residents,

Current release rate from Wivenhoe Dam is 2400cumecs. FOC has advised that we will increase to 2800cumecs, but have not provided a schedule at present.

Their advice is that the river will rise to approx 16 to 17m at Savage's Crossing gauge by midnight (currently 14.8m). The river is expected to rise to 17 to 18m at Mt Crosby Weir (currently 15m). 1974 flood levels were approx 24m at Savage's crossing and 26m at Mt Crosby Weir.

Present strategy is to keep flow rates in the lower Brisbane river to below 4000cumces if possible and to minimize effects of flooding in urban areas.

Lockyer Valley and Somerset Regional residents have received SMS messages regarding this afternoon's flash flooding and response. The FOC is discussing its effects with BoM at present and will provide further advice shortly. We'll keep you updated. Please listen to radio and TV for media releases.

Regards,

Graham Keegan Engineering officer

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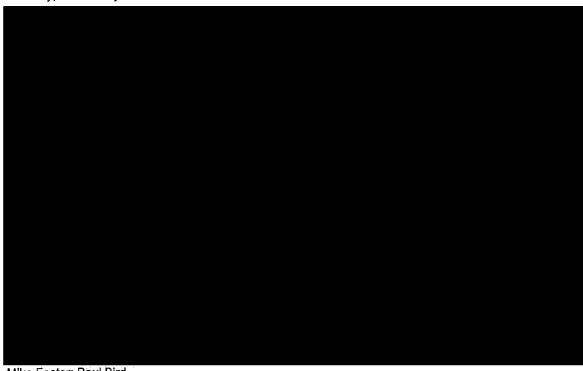
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Graham Keegan

Sent:

Tuesday, 11 January 2011 2:42 AM

To:



Cc:

Mike Foster; Paul Bird

Subject: Releases from Wivenhoe Dam.

Good morning MBRI members and other residents,

Current release rate is 2730cumecs. River heights at various gauging stations are: Lowood 15.89m, Savage's Crossing 15.77m, Burton's Bridge 12.16m and Mt Crosby Weir 15.68m.

FOC and BoM are still investigating the Lockyer Creek flash flood. If necessary (or possible) the release rate will be modified to moderate effects in the mid-Brisbane River zone. At present the peak appears to have passed Glenore Grove around mid-night but no significant rise has occurred at lower Lockyer gauging stations.

The overall strategy of maintaining the lower Brisbane River at a peak flow of 4000cumecs has not changed.

Regards,

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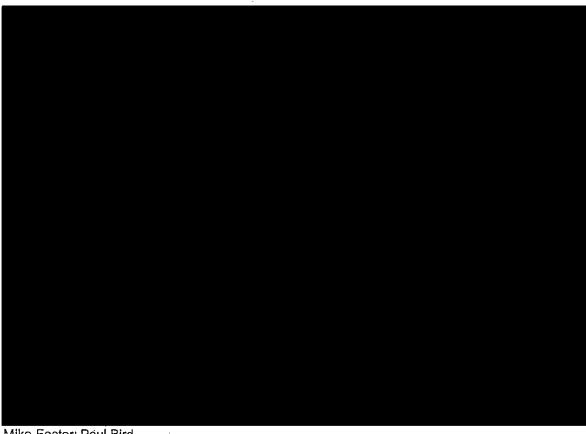
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From: Graham Keegan

Sent: Tuesday, 11 January 2011 6:53 AM

To:



Cc: Mike Foster; Paul Bird

Subject: Releases from Wivenhoe Dam.

Good morning MBRI members and other residents,

The release remains at approx 2750cumecs. Current river levels are: Lowood 16.13m (rising), Savage's Crossing 16.19m (rising), Burton's Bridge 12.94m (rising) and Mt Crosby 16.23 (rising). O'Reilly's Weir was levelling off but is beginning to rise again. The creek is still rising at Lyon's Bridge.

FOC is attempting to maintain flows in the lower Brisbane River at 4000cumecs. However changes to conditions in the catchments will affect this. The upper-Brisbane River has experienced another major flood. We have reduced the flow from Somerset Dam to reduce inflows into Wivenhoe Dam from that source. While FOC were examining the possibility of reducing the Wivenhoe Dam release to accommodate the Lockyer Creek increase, this is no longer an option. The river will rise along with Lockyer Creek; however we will attempt to maintain the Wivenhoe Dam release until the Lockyer Creek peak passes.

If the weather situation deteriorates further we may need to increase releases from the Dam and the new target flow in the lower Brisbane River will rise to 5000cumecs (including all streams). We are entering conditions where Dam Safety overrides other concerns – although minimisation of urban flooding remains very important.

Please stay up-to-date with the BoM website, our website and the 1800 number. Regards,

Graham Keegan

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From:

Graham Keegan

Sent:

Tuesday, 11 January 2011 9:50 AM

To:



Cc:

Mike Foster; Paul Bird

Subject: Releases from Wivenhoe Dam.

Good morning again MBRI members and other residents,

The flood situation has moved into a critical phase as the lake is approaching our next trigger level. We began to increase releases at 8AM and will reach approx 3500cumecs by lunchtime today. Local run-off is exacerbating the situation and O'Reilly's Weir is rising also. Somerset Dam release has ceased.

At present communications with the FOC are difficult but it appears that river levels will rise significantly and projections available yet. Current levels are: Lowood 17.05m (rising), Savage's Crossing 18.33m (rising), Burton's Bridge 14.82m (rising) and Mt Crosby Weir 16.76m (rising).

The FOC is constantly reviewing the situation and our operations. We will update ASAP, <u>but in the meantime please check your options for re-location</u>. Also listen to emergency services broadcasts for up-to-date situation reports. A severe weather alert is current for 5E Qld and further falls of heavy rainfall appear likely.

Regards,

Graham Keegan

Engineering officer

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From:

Graham Keegan

Sent:

Tuesday, 11 January 2011 7:43 PM

To:



Cc:

Mike Foster

Subject: Releases from Wivenhoe Dam.

Good evening MBRI members and other residents,

I apologize for lack of communications in recent times – we have telecommunication problems and I badly needed some sleep.

Release rate was 6700cumecs at 1730hrs (05:30PM) and increasing to 8000cumecs by 2030hrs (08:30PM). This will match release rate with estimated inflow rate. On its own this release exceeds the peak flow rate of approx 7500cumecs at Savage's Crossing during the 1974 flood. Flood levels along the mid-Brisbane River can be expected to be significantly higher than that flood.

Current river levels are: Lowood 21.97m (rising), Savage's Crossing 21.67m (rising), Burton's Bridge 17.14m (rising) and Mt Crosby Weir 21.64m (rising). Approx peak river levels for 1974 flood were Lowood 22m (unconfirmed), Savages 23.8m (DERM) and Mt Crosby 26.7m (BoM).

Wivenhoe Dam is expected to reach a maximum level of 75.5m provided no further significant rainfall occurs. This is 0.1m below the trigger level for fuse-plug No1 (centre) – this is the major focus of the current release strategy. If this target is achieved, we may be able to slowly reduce the release rate overnight. Please note that our operators are continuing their regular inspections of Wivenhoe Dam and that it is still sound.

I understand there are still power problems in the area. <u>Could one of you please confirm receipt of this</u> email!

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Regards,

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From:

Graham Keegan

Sent:

Wednesday, 12 January 2011 5:04 AM

To:



Cc:

Mike Foster; Paul Bird

Subject: Releases from Wivenhoe Dam.

Good morning MBRI members and other residents,

The lake level in Wivenhoe Dam is receding very slowly and clearance to the fuse-plug trigger is increasing. We are reducing the release rate slowly – current rate is approx 4300cumecs; peak was approx 7500cumecs.

Peak river levels and current levels are:

Peak	Current		
25.09m @ 2346hrs 11/01	24.37m (falling)		
24.13M @ 0132hrs 12/01	23.99m (falling)		
	18.4m (rising)		
24.91m @ 0327hrs 12/01	24.84m (rising).		
	25.09m @ 2346hrs 11/01 24.13M @ 0132hrs 12/01		

Levels in Lockyer Creek are also dropping - the reduction at Wivenhoe Dam will also permit Lockyer Creek to drain guicker.

We'll keep you updated on our operations.

Regards,

Graham Keegan

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From: Graham Keegan

Sent: Wednesday, 12 January 2011 9:15 AM

To:



Cc:

Mike Foster

Subject: Releases from Wivenhoe Dam.

.Good morning MBRI members and other residents,

Thanks to those people who were able to confirm receipt of the last email – communications appeared unreliable last night.

The Wivenhoe Dam release reached a peak of approx 7500cumecs last night (all gates opened to 12m). After the rise in the lake was brought to a halt (without triggering a fuse-plug), we confirmed that status for a few hours and then commenced reduction of the release rate as inflows diminished. At 0730hrs (07:30AM) this morning the release rate has been reduced to approx 2500cumecs – lake level is now relatively static. We will hold this rate for a short period until the Lockyer Creek peak flow enters the mid-Brisbane River. The Wivenhoe Dam release will be increased to 3500cumecs and drainage of the flood compartment will resume.

Somerset Dam has continued to discharge over its spillway (my mistake - releases had not ceased completely as stated in a previous email). The lake has now reached its peak (event) level. We will begin to drain it later today as we increase the Wivenhoe Dam release. Combined flood releases for the 2 Dams is expected to exceed 2million megalitres for this event – a return period (or probability) has not been assigned to the event yet; however BoM will eventually release that data. The concurrent event in the North Pine River catchment has been described tentatively as 1 in 10000 years (an extreme event).

Please note that there may be an initial reduction in river level associated with the lower release rate, but

also note that river level may rise again as we increase our release. Maximum flow in the river will be approx 4000cumecs. Our release will continue for another 7 days – flow rate will gradually reduce and river crossings will re-open. No timing is available at present. Please check BoM and traffic websites for flood information and updates on road conditions.

Current river levels are: Lowood 21.35m (falling, unreliable data). Savage's Crossing 23.09m (falling), Burton's Bridge 19.68m (rising) and Mt Crosby Weir 26.0m (static).

We'll provide updates as information is available.

Regards,

Graham Keegan
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From:

Graham Keegan

Sent:

Thursday, 13 January 2011 11:48 AM

To:



Cc:

Mike Foster; Paul Bird

Subject: Releases from Wivenhoe and Somerset Dams.

Good morning MBRI members and other residents,

We have experienced communications problems due to flooding around HO in Brisbane and phone difficulties (land line and mobile – you are probably experiencing them also).

We have increased drainage of Somerset Dam. This will be completed within 5 days and require operation of low level sluice gates.

The release from Wivenhoe Dam remains at 2500cumecs. We are awaiting further instructions from the FOC on gate operations — expect to increase release rate today. Last night's 1800hrs Situation Report stated a target total flow of 3500cumecs (release plus other inflows), however this needs to be confirmed due to the time elapsed.

The Lockyer Creek peak passed Savage's Crossing at approx 0200 to 0300hrs yesterday morning and the river has been receding since than.

Current river levels are: Lowood 14.91m (falling); Savage's Crossing 14.91m (falling); Burton's Bridge – no valid data and Mt Crosby Weir 19.82m (falling).

We will update ASAP.

Regards,

Graham Keegan Engineering officer Queensland Bulk Water Supply Authority *trading as* Seqwater



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From:

Graham Keegan

Sent:

Thursday, 13 January 2011 2:47 PM

To:



Cc:

Mike Foster; Paul Bird

Subject: Releases from Wivenhoe Dam.

Good afternoon MBRI members and other residents,

We have begun to increase the release rate from Wivenhoe Dam. Target flow is a total of 3500cumecs at Moggill (downstream of the Bremer river junction with the Brisbane River). The increase commenced at 1300hrs (1PM) today and will rise to approx 2800cumecs by 6PM tonight. Inflows from Lockyer Creek, Bremer River and other minor streams continue.

As the Lockyer Creek peak has already passed Savage's Crossing, river rises will occur.

Current river levels are: Lowood 14.65m (falling), Savage's Crossing 14.59m (falling), Burton's Bridge (unreliable data) and Mt Crosby Weir 19.16m (falling).

Release will continue for approx 7days. Projections are unavailable for opening crossings.

Regards,

Graham Keegan

Engineering officer

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From: Graha

Graham Keegan

Sent:

Friday, 14 January 2011 10:37 AM

To:



Cc:

Mike Foster; Paul Bird

Subject: Releases from Wivenhoe Dam.

Good morning MBRI members and other residents,

Current release from Wivenhoe Dam is approx 3500cumecs. I have sought clarification and this is actually the target release rate for the Dam. It should result in drainage of the stored flood water by Wednesday next week. We may adjust the rate slightly at times to account for reduction in lake level (lower lake level equates to less available energy, so flow rate reduces if gate opening is not increased).

Current river levels are: Lowood 16.19m (static), Savage's Crossing 14.81m (rising slowly) and Mt Crosby Weir 16.98m (static, expect rise). Burton's Bridge sensor was faulty and is now out of action (no data on BoM site) – expect river to rise slowly there, as our maximum flow rate approaches the bridge.

On a lighter note; we are receiving many rumours relating to our operations and the Dam's status – it is providing some comedic relief for our staff. Events such as "gates falling off", "blowing up fuse-plugs", "deliberately sacrificing Lowood", have not occurred.

To allay any fears in the community we advise that the Dam is staffed 24 hours a day during flood events by 2 man teams. As well as operating gates as ordered by the FOC, the teams have a schedule of periodic inspections for elements of the Dam – these are our Dam Surveillance/Safety inspections. As lake levels rise the frequency increases and the team is expanded if necessary. No faults have been identified to date, so the Dam is operating as expected.

These inspections are designed to provide confidence in our operations and if needed: to identify faults early, enable rapid response for rectification and provide community awareness (warnings) if necessary.

Regards,

Graham Keegan
Engineering officer
Queensland Bulk Water Supply Authority trading as Seqwater



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From:

Graham Keegan

Sent:

Monday, 17 January 2011 4:07 PM

To:



Cc:

Mike Foster; Paul Bird; Daniel Garcia

Subject: Releases from Wivenhoe and Somerset Dams.

Good afternoon MBRI members and other residents,

Somerset Dam is close to FSL and minor releases are continuing through 1 cone valve.

At 1400hrs (02:00PM) today, we began to close gates at Wivenhoe Dam and the release will diminish from the current 3500cumecs. Wivenhoe Dam level was 68.7m (1.7m above FSL) at 3PM today and falling. Previous advice received from FOC was that the release via gates would cease on Wednesday 19/01, however we have unconfirmed advice that it may not cease until Thursday morning.

Projections for opening of crossings are not available yet. Confirmation on the release strategy and crossings will follow when available.

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Tuesday, 18 January 2011 8:49 AM

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Somerset Dam has returned to FSL and minor releases continue via a cone valve to manage base-flow from the catchment.

At 07:00AM Wivenhoe Dam was at EL 67.76m AHD and falling slowly. Gate closures commenced at 2PM yesterday but ceased at midnight due to problems at Lowood WTP. Closures will resume at 9AM today – current release rate is approx 2000cumecs.

Flood releases are expected to cease on Thursday morning. Minor releases will continue via cone valve and hydro (if available). Fernvale bridge is now out of water but remains closed due to road maintenance and power issues. Other crossings will open progressively as the release rate reduces, but Twin Bridges will remain closed until low level releases cease.

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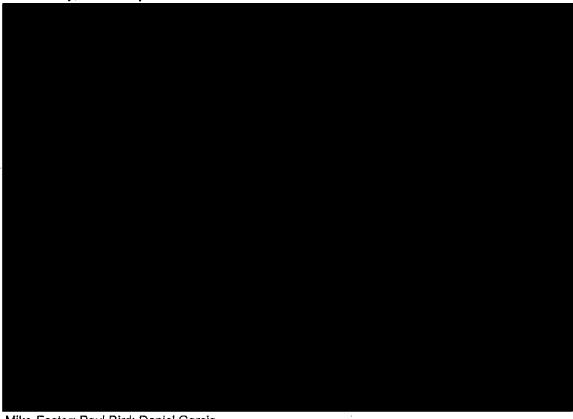
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Sent:

Wednesday, 19 January 2011 8:19 AM

To:



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Mike Foster; Paul Bird; Daniel Garcia

Subject: Releases from Wivenhoe Dam.

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Gate releases from Wivenhoe Dam will cease at noon today. Low level releases will continue via cone valve (and hydro if available) until further notice.

All crossings will be free of water from tonight, except College's Crossing (tomorrow) and Twin Bridges (indefinitely). Please note that some damage is already noticeable on or around major bridges and that local authorities will need to inspect all crossings prior to opening them for traffic.

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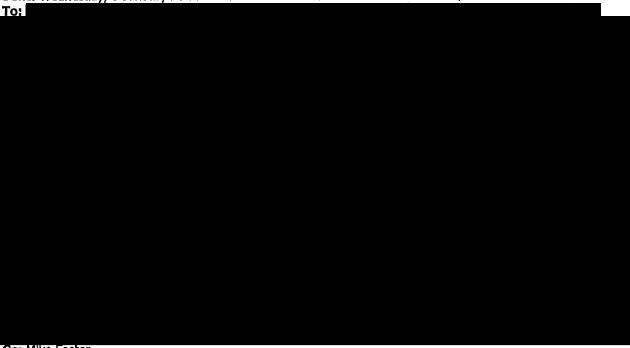
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The guys at Wyaralong Dam have just informed me their storage is at 65%....

Cheers.



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Heather Sinclair

Sent:

Thursday, 6 January 2011 10:51 AM

To:

Graham Keegan

Subject: Email addresses to add

Morning Graham

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Thanks Graham.

Regards

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Wayne Gerard

Sent:

Friday, 7 January 2011 10:59 AM

To:

Graham Keegan

Subject: Re: Releases from Wivenhoe Dam.

Graham,

Just wanted to say thanks.

Your emails are well written and provide an excellent update

Cheers

Wayne Gerard

Sent from my iPhone

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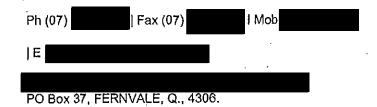
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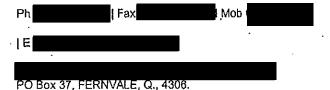
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Graham Keegan

Sent:

Saturday, 8 January 2011 8:55 PM

To:

'Darren Zanow'

Subject: RE: Releases from Wivenhoe Dam.

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Please let us know if FOC is going to let it out higher......

Cheers



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Jon Scott

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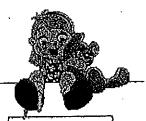
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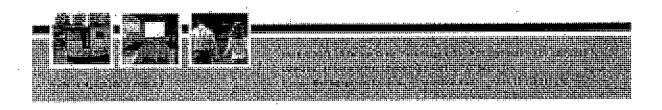
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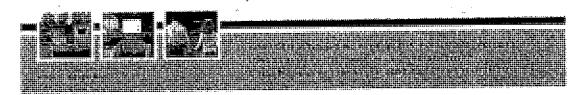
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Present strategy is to keep flow rates in the lower Brisbane river to below 4000cumces if possible and to minimize effects of flooding in urban areas.

Lockyer Valley and Somerset Regional residents have received SMS messages regarding this afternoon's flash flooding and response. The FOC is discussing its effects with BoM at present and will provide further advice shortly. We'll keep you updated. Please listen to radio and TV for media releases.

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Marianne & Fraser

Sent:

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To:

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With the lack of advance advice about the closure of the Brisbane Valley Highway into Fernvale, someone is going to have to do something about getting supplies to those locals who got caught out. We're OK, but a couple of neighbours are quite short of food. I understand Coominya shop is pretty much sold out



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Sent from my iPhone

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Sent:

Tuesday, 11 January 2011 3:29 AM

To:

Graham Keegan

Subject: Re: Releases from Wivenhoe Dam.

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Graham Keegan

Sent:

Tuesday, 11 January 2011 5:40 AM

To:

'Darren Zanow'

Subject: RE: Releases from Wivenhoe Dam.

Darren,

It looks like it would be in that order – FOC advised that ratings at gauging stations do change over time (silting, de-silting, vegetation etc.), so it will be approximate.

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We have another major flood in the upper Brisbane River and it is still raining in the catchments.

I should receive another SITREP soon, so will update again then.

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From: Darren Zanow

Sent: Tuesday, 11 January 2011 2:54 AM

To: Graham Keegan

Subject: Re: Releases from Wivenhoe Dam.

Hi Graham So the peak flow is currently around 4000? This is total? Cheers

Sent from my iPhone

On 11/01/2011, at 2:42 AM, "Graham Keegan"

wrote:

Good morning MBRI members and other residents,

Current release rate is 2730cumecs. River heights at various gauging stations are: Lowood 15.89m, Savage's Crossing 15.77m, Burton's Bridge 12.16m and Mt Crosby Weir 15.68m.

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John,

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Sent:

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To:

Graham Keegan

Subject: Re: Releases from Wivenhoe Dam.

Hi Graham,

Any more news on water level in Wivenhoe Pocket. We pulled out at 1pm

Thanks

Have a fantastic day

Cheers

Wayne Gerard Managing Director Sales Development Group

Mobile

Sent from my iPhone

On 11/01/2011, at 9:50 AM, Graham Keegan

wrote:

Good morning again MBRI members and other residents,

The flood situation has moved into a critical phase as the lake is approaching our next trigger level. We began to increase releases at 8AM and will reach approx 3500cumecs by lunchtime today. Local run-off is exacerbating the situation and O'Reilly's Weir is rising also. Somerset Dam release has ceased.

At present communications with the FOC are difficult but it appears that river levels will rise significantly – no projections available yet. Current levels are: Lowood 17.05m (rising), Savage's Crossing 18.33m (rising), Burton's Bridge 14.82m (rising) and Mt Crosby Weir 16.76m (rising).

The FOC is constantly reviewing the situation and our operations. We will update ASAP, but in the meantime please check your options for re-location. Also listen to emergency services broadcasts for up-to-date situation reports. A severe weather alert is current for SE Qld and further falls of heavy rainfall appear likely.

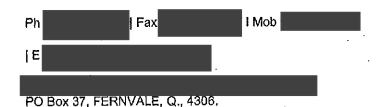
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iinda sippel

Sent:

Tuesday, 11 January 2011 7:48 PM

To:

Graham Keegan

Subject: RE: Releases from Wivenhoe Dam.

Thank you Graham, yes it was recieved ok, and thank you for you updates

Subject: Releases from Wivenhoe Dam. Date: Tue, 11 Jan 2011 19:43:26 +1000

From: To:

CC: mfoster@seqwater.com.au

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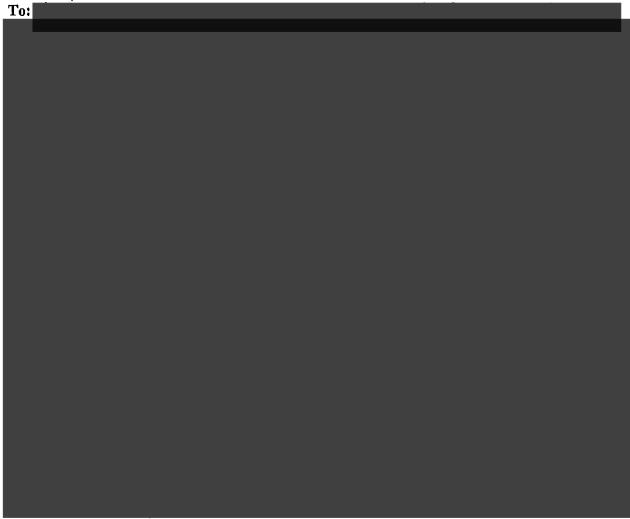
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Graham Keegan

Sent:

Tuesday, 11 January 2011 8:07 PM

To:

'grassco@optusnet.com.au'

Subject: Re: Releases from Wivenhoe Dam.

Matt, Jenny, thanks for the response. GK

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Linda McInnes

Sent:

Tuesday, 11 January 2011 8:57 PM

To:

Graham Keegan

Subject: RE: Releases from Wivenhoe Dam.

Received. Thanks for you updates Graham and your tireless work to keep us all in the loop.

Regards Linda

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Cc: Mike Foster

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Jean Bray

Sent:

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To:

Graham Keegan

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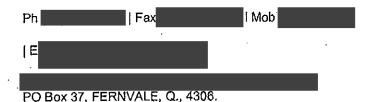
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То:

Graham Keegan

Subject: RE: Releases from Wivenhoe Dam.

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Regards,

Liz Christensen

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phillipmorgan

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Bill & Desley Mahon

Sent:

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To:

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To:

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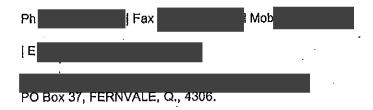
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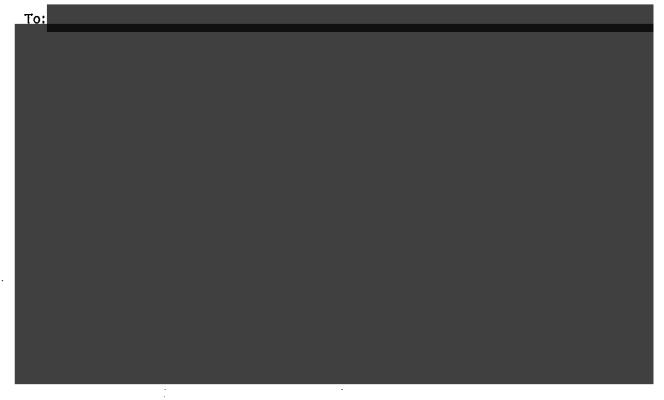
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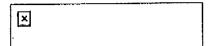
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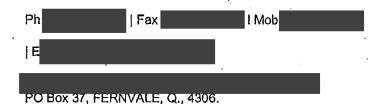
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Sent: Wednesday, 12 January 2011 9:46 PM

To: Graham Keegan

Subject: FW: Releases from Wivenhoe Dam.

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assigned to the event yet; however BoM will eventually release that data. The concurrent event in the North Pine River catchment has been described tentatively as 1 in 10000 years (an extreme event).

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We'll provide updates as information is available.

Regards,

Graham Keegan
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Thanks Graham - your correspondence is invaluable.

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Date: Tue. 18 Jan 2011 08:49:06 +1000
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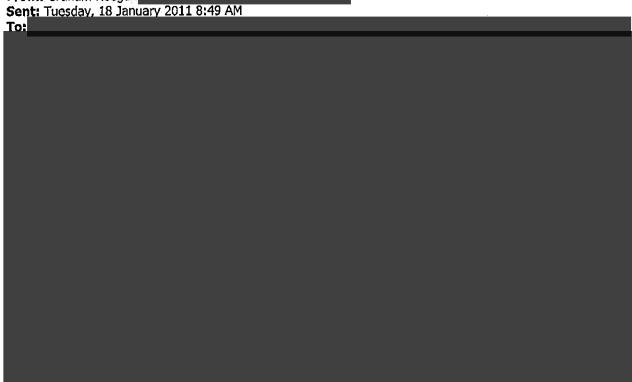
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Subject:

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Feedback is always useful. There are 2 ways to provide it - one is through the Seqwater website (Contact Us section) and the other is through submissions to the upcoming Royal Commission. If you have specific concerns about our operations, lack of or poor communications, etc. don't hesitate to provide comment.

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