

Maryborough – Water Saving Strategy



Location

Maryborough, Australia

Client

Maryborough City Council

Start Date

August 2004

Local Authority

Maryborough City Council

Office Responsible

Cardno

Responsibilities

Provide the Maryborough City Council with a risk management strategy for their water supply.

Project Scope

Maryborough, a town of 26 000, 256kms north of Brisbane, needed to review its water management practices to ensure it could meet the needs of a growing population.

Maryborough City Council requested Cardno's help to formulate an interim Drought Management Plan aimed at providing a framework for managing its water resources during times of peak demand and/or prolonged low rainfall.

The Drought Management Plan involved a review of the city's existing water management practices. Issues in relation to water allocation, infrastructure, relevant legislation, historical consumption and rainfall, as well as risk strategies and procedures were identified.

The plan defined a series of specific demand management responses to the possibility of water shortages and documented the management procedures required to ensure Maryborough could be provided with a water supply during a prolonged drought.

The plan established the parameters for the implementation of restrictions, the liabilities if policies were violated and the criteria for exemption. The plan also provided the parameters on which restrictions would be rescinded.

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