

- User share of operating and capital expenditure
 - Water delivery and other operations – the whole of the community reaps the benefits of regulated flows down rivers. There are many users of the river systems apart from the licensed extractors. These include riparian, recreational, environment, fishing, boating. It is unreasonable that irrigators pay for 100 % of these costs. As irrigators extract only a small percentage of all flows, this should reflect the percentage they are required to pay towards: *water delivery and other operations, hydrometric monitoring, corrective maintenance, routine maintenance, asset management planning, insurance, renewal and replacement, structural and other enhancement, corporate systems, office accommodation capital projects and information management projects*. If irrigators are continually lumped with costs which should be borne by the broader community, State Water's clients will become unviable.