## **Policy Statement**



## Recreation

Seqwater is a critical part of the urban water supply chain in South East Queensland, delivering a safe, sustainable and valued bulk water supply for more than 3.6 million South East Queenslanders. We also supply water to around 1,200 irrigators and rural customers, supporting Queensland's agriculture and other industries.

We are always looking forward, planning for South East Queensland's water security future and investing in and operating a vast range of water supply assets.

Our operations extend from Gympie in the north, to the New South Wales border in the south, and in the coming years will expand beyond the base of the Toowoomba ranges with the construction of the Toowoomba to Warwick pipeline.

We are one of the largest land managers in South East Queensland and one of the most geographically diverse water businesses in Australia, with many sites comprising significant natural and cultural heritage values.

On behalf of our communities, we provide important catchment health management, access to diverse recreation opportunities, and provide important flood mitigation services that contribute to the liveability and prosperity of South East Queensland.

We are committed to providing access to diverse recreation opportunities on Seqwater's land and water storages without compromising our ability to provide safe, reliable and affordable water and catchment services.

## To demonstrate our commitment, we will:

- Provide recreation opportunities that are within our capacity to deliver safe drinking water. This is our fundamental principle
- Promote safe recreational use, building on the strong safety culture within Seqwater
- Ensure sustainable outcomes through balancing values and interests including, for example, recreation, visual amenity, noise, the environment, cultural heritage and our neighbours
- Engage with our partners, stakeholders and the SEQ communities to enable equitable and inclusive access to our recreation facilities
- Give public access precedence over commercial or exclusive use and provide recreation access that represents value for money, noting that recreation costs are included in bulk water charges paid by the people of South East Queensland.

This Policy aligns to our values of care, respect, courage and integrity which supports everything we do at Seqwater.

This Policy applies to all our employees and contractors and to any person or organisation that acts for or represents us.

Mr Neil Brennan	Honourable Dr David Hamill AM
Chief Executive Officer	Chairperson
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