

# Waimea Community Dam TDC

8 July 2021

**Waimea Water**



# Agenda

1. Progress update
2. Key issues
3. Cost and schedule forecast
4. Reservoir size
5. Operating cost forecast





# Overview

## WWL efficiently delivering a safe, reliable, resilient and fit for purpose Waimea Community Dam

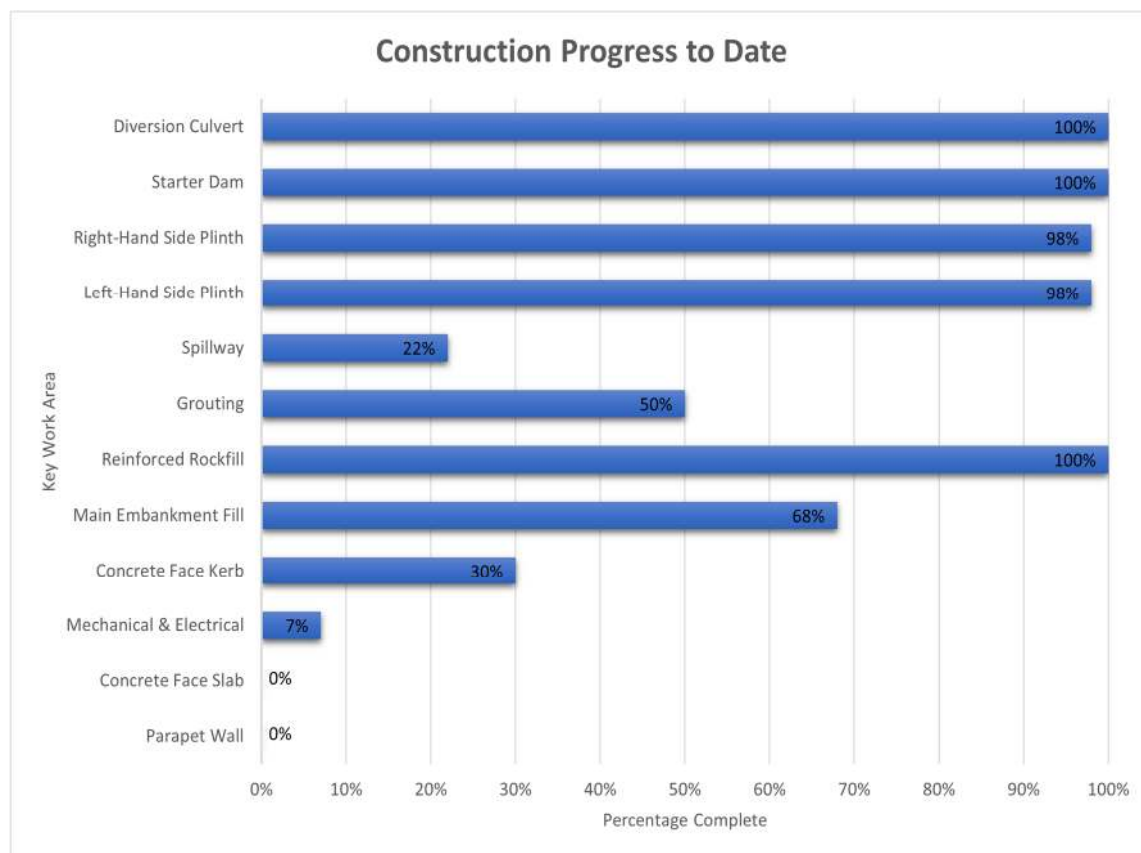
- ✓ Construction: ~60% complete and foundations largely exposed
- ✓ Design: Adapted to geological conditions. Completed M&E. Independently peer reviewed
- ✓ No serious harm injuries. No high potential incidents in 2020/21 year
- ✓ Full compliance with resource consent requirements. Water quality remains very good



# Progress Update

## Progress close to revised programme (mid-2022)

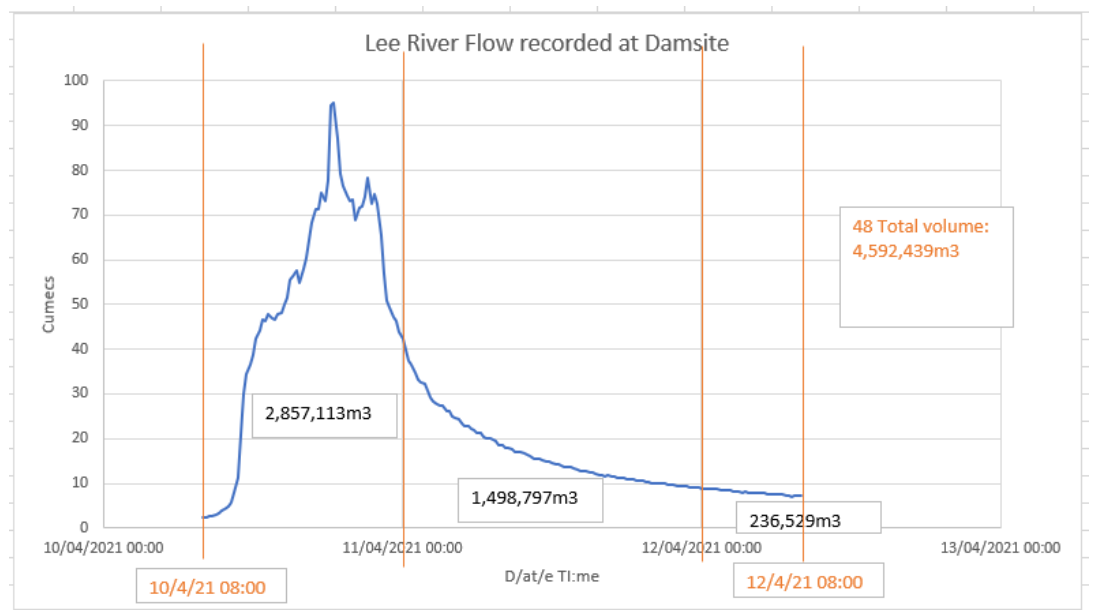
- Culvert, Starter Dam completed 2021
- Plinths near complete
- Reinforced Rockfill completed
- Embankment well progressed
- Spillway progressing
- Delay with 10 April 2021 flood



# Progress Update

## 10 April 2021 Flood

- 11m above riverbed
- 1 in 2 year 12 hour and 24 hour volumes
- 4.6M m3 over 48 hours (1/3<sup>rd</sup> reservoir)





# Progress Update: Embankment well progressed

- Downstream reinforced rock-filled face completed (28m)
- Blanket drainage layer complete and covered with bulk fill
- Bulk filled 2/3<sup>rd</sup> of embankment with indigenous rockfill to 28m height above river. (Crest at 54m)
- Upstream kerbs, flow-preventing zone (+sand) and chimney drain completed to 20.4m above river (critical path)
- Edges to concrete face commencing. Slip-forming concrete face due to commence January 2022





# Progress Update: Spillway progressing

- Poured ~1,500m<sup>3</sup> concrete in flip-bucket (replace unsuitable rock)
- Slip-formed wall bases to lower-spillway
- Preparing foundations to upper-spillway
- Commence walls to lower-spillway Aug-21



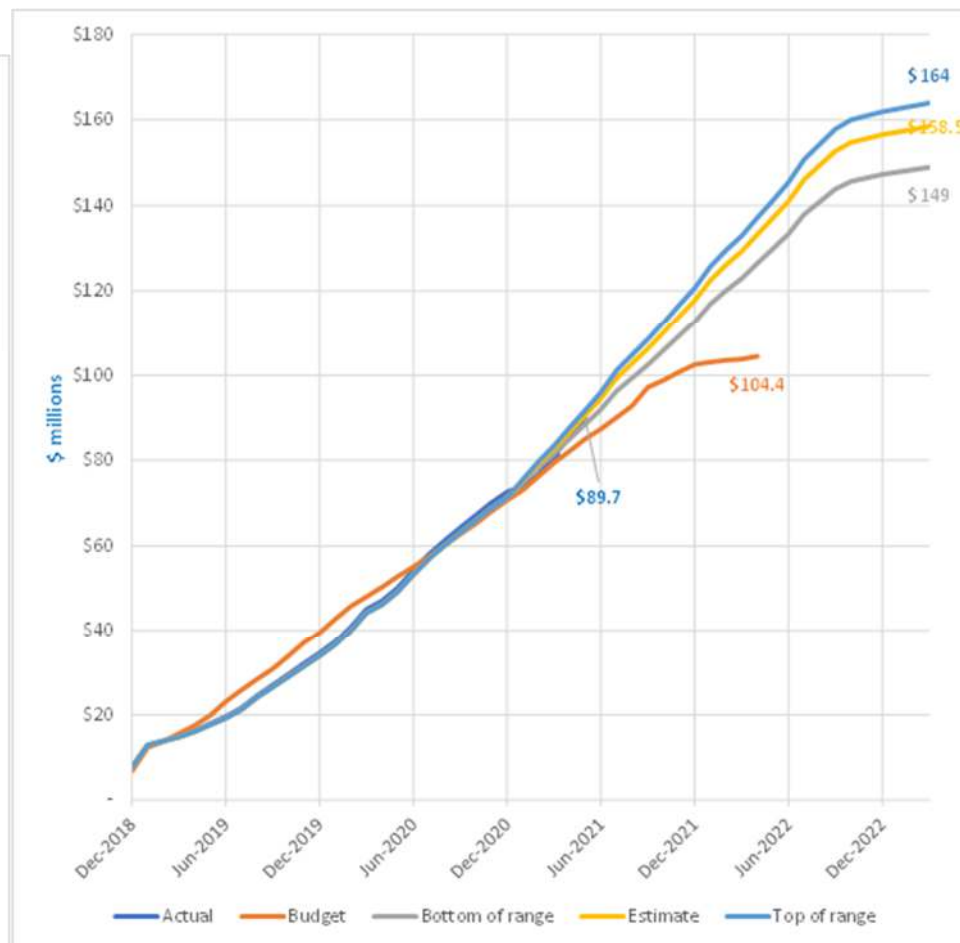
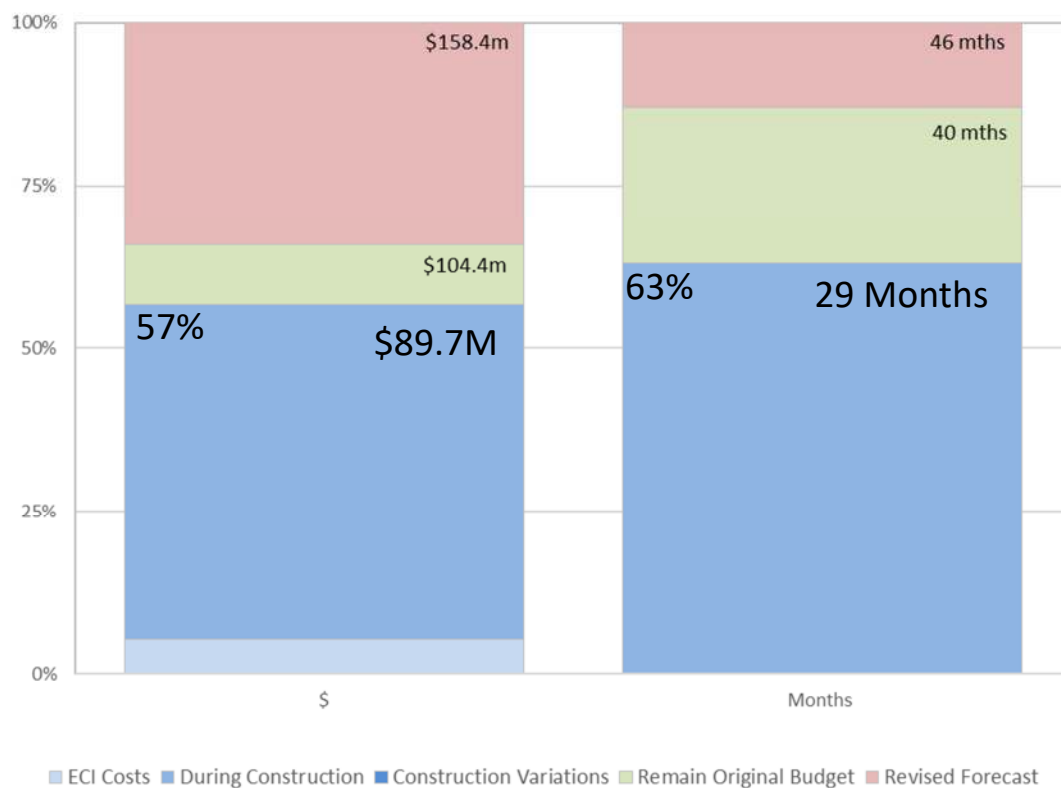
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# Progress: ~60% complete

Progress - May 2021





# Schedule Forecast

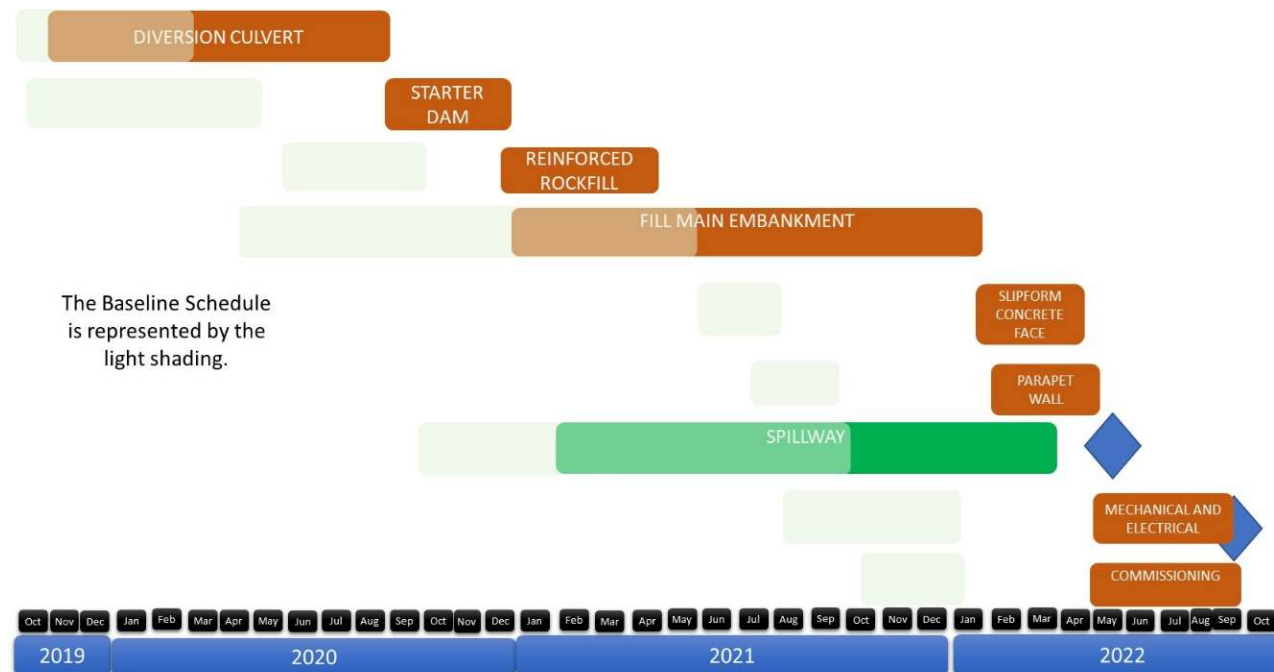
8 Month delay to construction

- Predominantly COVID-19 and loss of recovery time
- Encountered conditions (geology / embankment)
- Flood events
- Not close during summer / season

2 Month further delay to commissioning

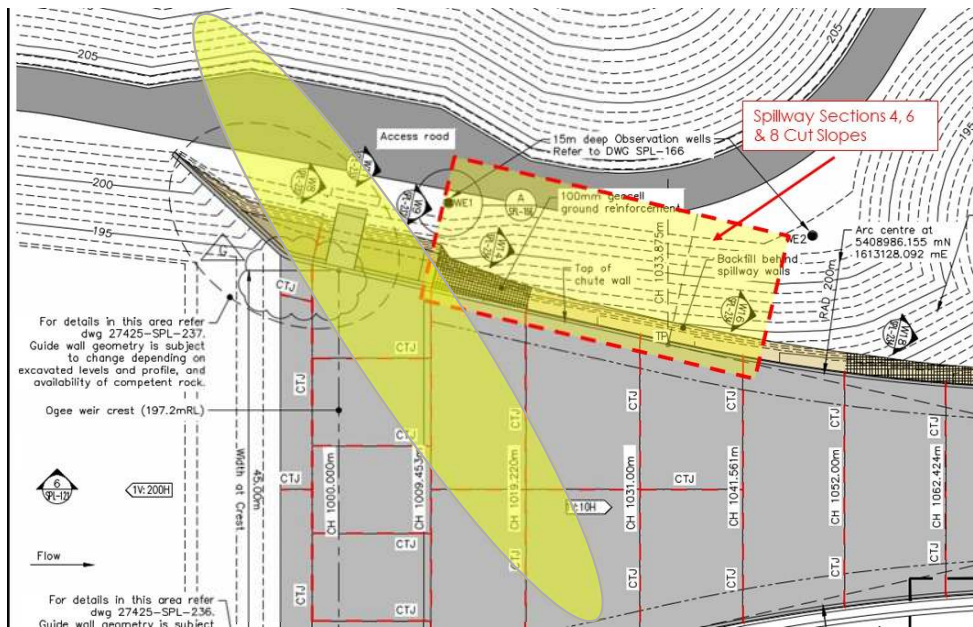
- Hold points (design work)
- Mechanical works

	Plan at Funding	Current Expectation
<b>Complete Dam</b>	28 October 2021	<del>May</del> June/July 2022
<b>Reservoir filled</b>	23 January 2022	<del>September</del> December 2022
<b>Dam commissioned</b>		



# Challenge 1: Left Hand Side Foundation: Shear-zones

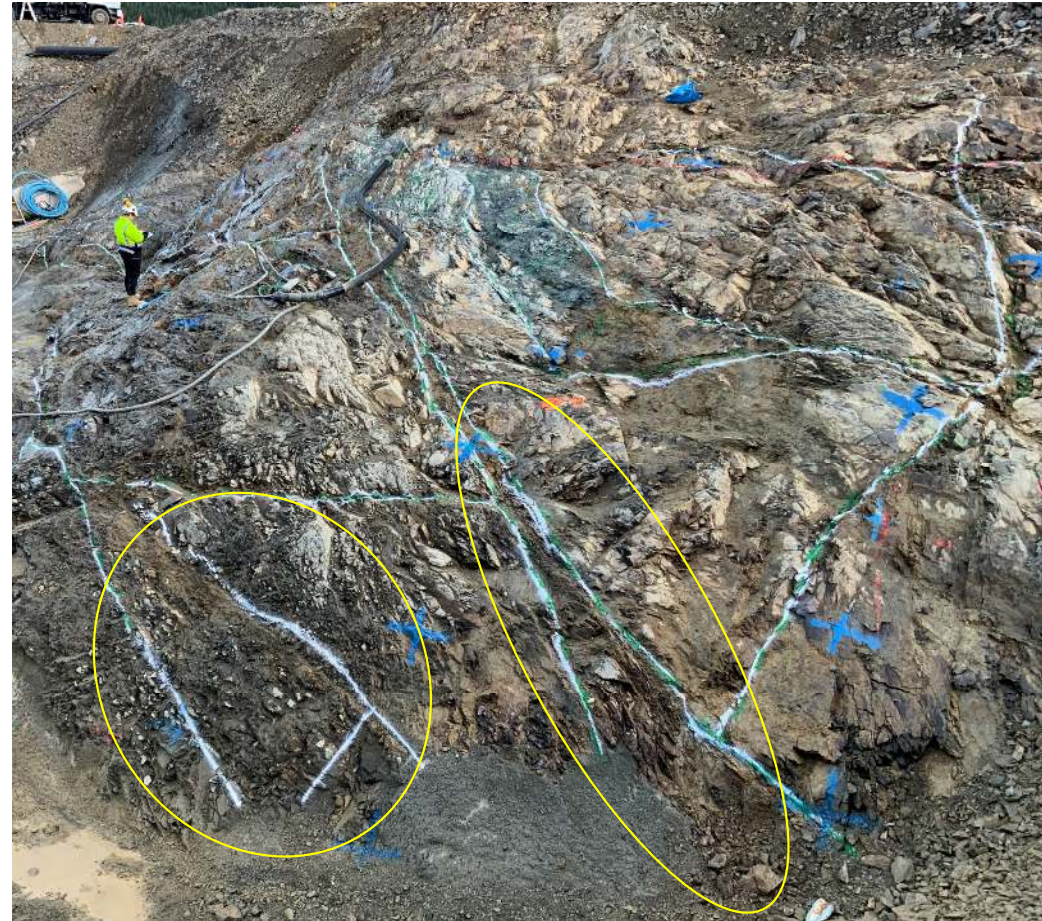
- ❖ Encountered shear-zone during June-2021.  
4-5 m wide of ground rock and clay matter
- ❖ Bisects top of spillway / ogee-weir
- ❖ Need to remove / treat to anchor spillway & seal sub-strata
- ❖ Need to stabilise above and below spillway





# Challenge 1: Left Hand Side Foundation: Highly fractured

- Recent (2Q21) removal of overburden / cleaning
  - Highly fractured LHS embankment / foundation
    - × Worse, more treatment than expected in Feb-2021
  - Increase flow-preventing (2B) material +30%
  - Importing sand & gravels stressing supplies
  - Increase stabilisation protection above spillway
  - Treat shear-zone
- ⇒ Within, but consuming budget & contingency.  
**High Risk remains**



# Challenge 2: M&E cost escalation

## Mechanical and Electrical Costs Challenged

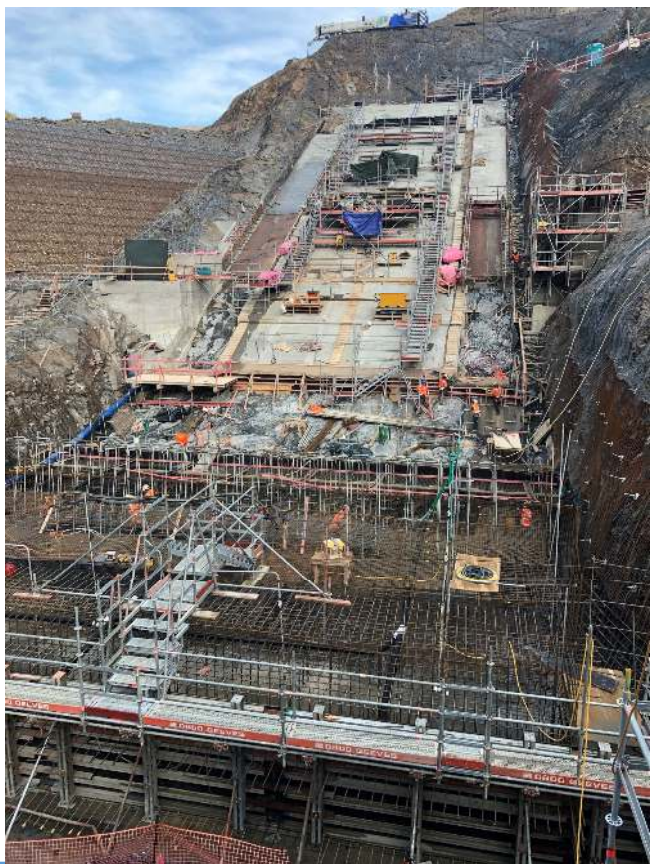
- ✓ Single pipe *reduced* steel & welding by 30%, pipe supports, valves
  - ✗ Feb-21 cost forecast budgeted \$12M (provisional sum \$6.3M)
    - ❖ Under-designed at funding
    - ❖ Underestimated at funding (included unspecified savings)
  - ✗ Unprecedented construction inflation
    - ❖ ~20%-30% construction inflation since 2020
    - ❖ Iron Ore +80%; finished steel +40% to +60% since 2020
    - ❖ Stainless steel +20%, China duty +13% since March-21
    - ❖ Freight costs +200% – 300%; 40 month delivery lead time
    - ❖ Labour strained with competing demand
    - ❖ Opportunistic pricing
- ⇒ Within, but consuming budget & contingency. **High Risk remains**





# Prognosis

On known conditions, anticipate cost towards upper end of Feb-21 risk range: \$158.4M to \$164M. Fill >mid-2022



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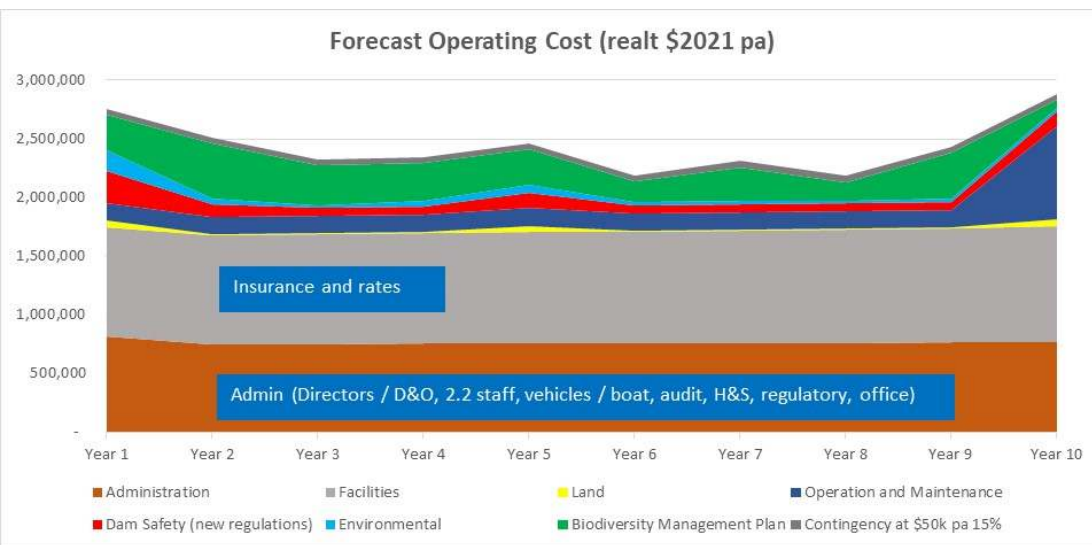
# Reservoir Size

- Recent Lidar survey indicates reservoir volume close to design size (within 2% error range)
- WWL exploring lifting Ogee-Weir 300 mm / 0.2M m3 with better spillway efficiency.



# Operating cost forecast: Revised and submitted

- Operating costs (slightly reduced) expected to be:
  - \$2.6M pa years 1-2 (bedding in dam safety)
  - \$2.3M pa years 2-9
  - \$2.9M pa year 10 (major services)
- Insurance (~\$650k pa) remains key uncertainty and risk
- Pre-close estimate of \$1.5m pa underestimated operating requirements



Cost Increase Component	+\$k pa (average)
Insurance, rates and land costs	+\$340k
Dam safety surveillance and surveying	+\$ 63k
Dam maintenance, (+boom and screen cleaning)	+\$107k
Increased staffing costs of +1.4 FTE	+\$263k
Increased governance, support (H&S etc), facilities	+\$170k

# Thank You. Q&A



Statement of Intent 1 July 2021-30 June 2022



## STATEMENT OF INTENT

1 July 2021 – 30 June 2022

VERSION: Final 26 May 2021

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### Quarterly Report

Period ending  
31 March 2021



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### Operational Management Plan



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