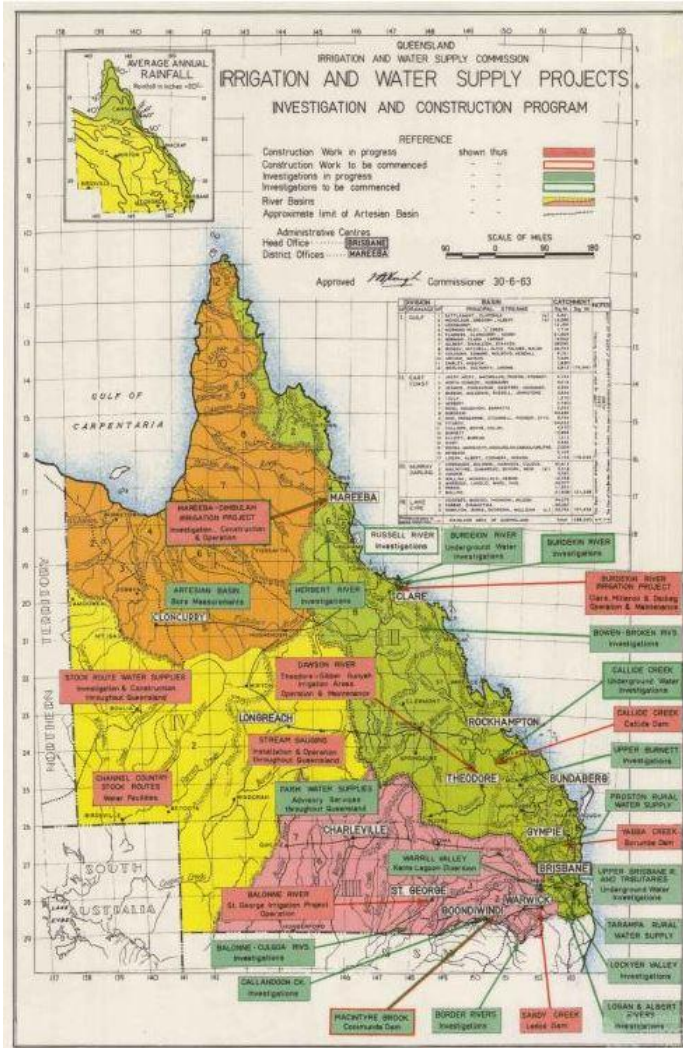


# OUR IWS COMMUNITY – The Two Sides to 'Water'

## THE WORK SIDE

THE IRRIGATION and WATER SUPPLY COMMISSION (and ITS MANY SUCCESSORS)

**WORK SIDE circa 1963.** This 1963 IWSC Annual Report map highlights a day-and-age when our IWS community could have laid claim to have been doing 'everything'. Presented to parliament by then Commissioner Fred Haigh.



Amongst its many highlights are progress of construction at Callide and Borumba Dams (**Construction Branch**); operation and maintenance of the Mareeba Dimbulah Irrigation Project (**Operations Branch**). On the investigations side the 'Burdekin River' gets a mention (**Project Planning Branch**), at a time when the Burdekin Scheme consisted only of Clare; Millaroo and Dalbeg; then there are Stream Gauging Installations (**Rivers and Streams Branch**); Stock Route Water Supplies Investigation and Construction; Underground Water Investigations & Artesian Basin Monitoring (**Groundwater Branch**); Farm Water Supplies Advisory Services (**Farm Water Supplies Branch**); Rural Water Supplies (**Irrigation Branch**). Reporting of civil design progress including hydraulic modelling and materials testing (**Designs Branch**), as well as progress on the mechanical and electrical side (**Mechanical and Electrical Branch**) featured in another section of the Annual Report. Last but not least there was administration (**Admin Branch**) which oversaw offices at:- Mareeba; Clare; Cloncurry; Longreach; Rockhampton; Theodore; Bundaberg; Charleville; Gympie; St George; Warwick; and Goondiwindi



## WRRRA – THE SOCIAL SIDE

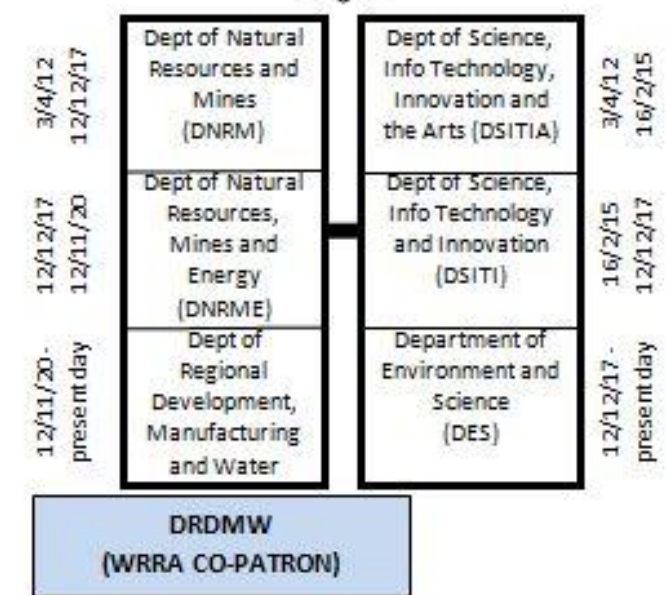
One 'Water' Body - Two 'Water' Arms  
(cradling 'Our IWS Community')



### 'WATER DEPARTMENTS' ARM

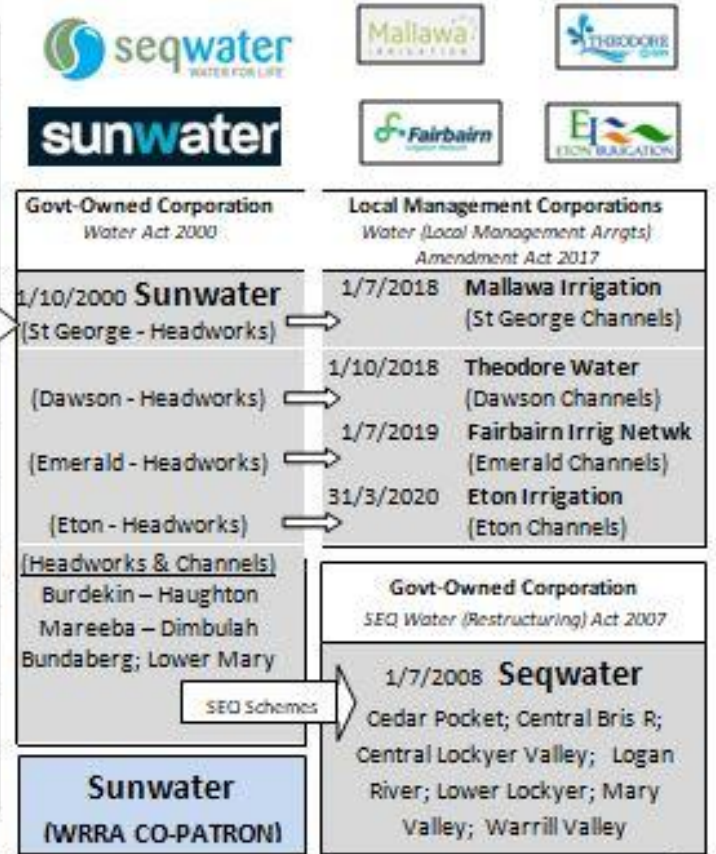
Before 1881, 'Water' was in the Harbours & Rivers Dept (Treasury Waterworks Branch – EIC Consulting Engineer John Baillie Henderson)  
 18/10/1881 to 18/10/1922 Hydraulic Engineer's Dept (later WS Dept) (1<sup>st</sup> Hydraulic Engineer John Baillie Henderson)  
 A Dept under the wing of the Colonial Treasurer

Irrigation Act of 1922		
18/10/1922	15/2/1932	Irrig & Water Supply Comm
15/2/1932	1/8/1947	IWS sub-Dept (of Lands Dept)
Irrigation and Water Supply Commission Act of 1946		
1/8/1947	12/3/1979	Irrig & Water Supply Comm
12/3/1979	31/12/1992	Qld Water Res Comm (QWRC)
31/12/1992	26/2/1996	Water Resources Comm (WRC)
Machinery of Government (MOG) Changes wrt 'WATER' (2012)		
1/7/1997	1/10/2000	State Water Projects (DNR) <i>Corporatisation</i>
26/2/1996	22/2/2001	Dept of Natural Resources (DNR)
22/2/2001	12/2/2004	Dept of Natural Resources & Mines (DNRM)
12/2/2004	25/8/2004	Dept of Natural Resources, Mines & Energy (DNRME)
25/8/2004	2/2/2006	Dept of Natural Resources & Mines (DNRM)
2/2/2006	13/9/2006	Dept of Natural Resources, Mines & Water (DNRMW)
13/9/2006	26/3/2009	Dept of Natural Resources & Water (DNRW)
26/3/2009	3/4/2012	Dept of Environment & Resource Mgt (DERM)



The WRRRA is a social organisation for persons associated with both 'Arms' of 'Water'. It was established in 1985 and is a Small Incorporated Association

### 'WATER CORPORATIONS' ARM



### GROWTH OF OUR IWS COMMUNITY

