

Dam Safety Management Policy

Aim

The aim of this Policy is to enable TasWater, so far as is reasonably practicable, to operate and maintain its dam portfolio so as not to cause, or be likely to cause, serious environmental harm or danger to any person or property.

Legislation

Water Management Act 1999

Water Management (Safety of Dams) Regulations 2015

Water Management (Dam Works Exemption) Order 2007

Definitions

ANCOLD: Australian National Committee on Large Dams

Policy

As a responsible dam owner TasWater will manage its dams in accordance with the ANCOLD Guidelines for Dam Safety Management (2003).

Responsibilities

The Chief Executive Officer:

- Is responsible for ensuring overall compliance with the policy
- Will report directly to the Board on the level of compliance of the TasWater dam portfolio in accordance with its legislative obligations
- Is accountable for liaising with the Dam Safety Regulator
- Will report directly to the Capital Works Committee on the outcomes of dam safety assessments and
- Is responsible for the appointment of a Senior Manager to report to executive management on the performance of the Dam Safety Management Program and any need for improvement.

The Board is responsible for:

- Approval of this Policy
- Approval of TasWater's Dam Safety Management Plans (DSMP) and
- Oversight of compliance with the DSMP and relevant legislation.

All staff are required to comply with this Policy and its associated procedures and undertake any relevant training as required.

Associated Documents

Australian National Committee on Large Dams Guidelines on Dam Safety Management 2003

TasWater documents:

- *Tasmanian Water and Sewerage Corporation Operating Licence*
- *TasWater Risk Management Policy*
- *TasWater Dam Safety Management Plans*
- *TasWater Dam Safety Emergency Plans*

Approved by the Board at its meeting on 29 June 2016


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Chairman