# IP&R Operational Plan Reporting period: Quarter 4 - 1 April 2023 to 30 June 2023

Our	priorities	include:
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Sustainable delivery		
Our priorities include:		
<ul> <li>Contributing to the protection and enhancement of ou</li> <li>Taking steps to strengthen our response to climate ch</li> <li>Planning for future demands as our region's population</li> <li>Sustainably using our available resources.</li> <li>Sound business planning and ongoing improvement.</li> </ul>	nange impacts and reducing our carbon emissions and reducing our carbon emis	
Objectives:	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	00000000000000
1.1 A healthy environment.		
1.2 Responding to climate change.		
1.3 Water security, quality and sustainable consumptio		
1.4 A sustainable Council.	$\land \land \diamond \diamond$	0000
Delivery objectives	2022-2023 Actions	What is being me
<b>1.1.1</b> Environmentally responsible procurement.	<ul> <li>1.1.1.1 Develop a procurement strategy and review existing policy to focus on waste minimisation and environmental impact.</li> <li>1.1.1.2 Review local supplier relationships and resourcing of specialist procurement arrangements.</li> </ul>	Revised strategy and

	procurement arrangements.	
<b>1.1.2</b> Sustainable river system health through natural resource management.	<ul> <li>1.1.2.1 Undertake scheduled 2022-23 actions of the Catchment and Coastal Zone Management plans.</li> <li>1.1.2.2 Continue to deliver the Active Floodgate Management Program – highlighting the expected improvement to water quality.</li> </ul>	% of scheduled ac All required training All required plans r
<b>1.1.3</b> Enhance the region's biosecurity through combatting the spread of targeted weeds.	<ul> <li>1.1.3.1 Deliver scheduled 2022-23 actions of the Weed Action Plan.</li> <li>1.1.3.2 Liaise with constituent councils about possible Rous role in fee for service weed control in local parks, reserves and roadsides.</li> </ul>	% of scheduled ac Explore opportuniti constituents.
<b>1.2.1</b> Achieve carbon neutrality.	<b>1.2.1.1</b> Prepare Renewable Energy and Emissions Reduction Plan.	Plan development
	<ul> <li>1.2.1.2 Install solar panels at Nightcap Water Treatment Plant.</li> <li>1.2.1.3 Plant trees to contribute to offsetting our carbon emissions.</li> </ul>	Panels installed an # of trees planted.
<b>1.2.2</b> We are prepared and able to respond to climate change impacts.	<b>1.2.2.1</b> Collate and analyse data to inform the Strategic Review of Flood Mitigation.	Collation and analy
	<b>1.2.2.2</b> Review and identify the challenges to reducing the natural resource impact of flood mitigation assets in a changing climate.	Discussion paper p
be met.	1.3.1.1 Undertake scheduled 2022-23 actions of the Future Water Project.	% of scheduled ac
	<ul> <li>1.3.1.2 Administer residential rainwater tank rebates.</li> <li>1.3.1.3 Monitor water quality to ensure compliance with Australian Drinking Water Standards.</li> </ul>	# of rebates proce
	<b>1.3.1.4</b> Prepare and implement a Future Water stakeholder engagement strategy.	Engagement strate ready for implement
	<b>1.3.1.5</b> Prepare and implement a project plan for the planning and investigations of a groundwater scheme at Tyagarah.	Plan drafted for int

### Legend:

Green: Acceptable. Complete or on track according to schedule.

Amber: Monitor. In progress but behind schedule.

Red: Review. Corrective action required.

Grey: Not required however, comment included.



g measured	Target	Responsibility	Comment Q1 - FINAL	Comment Q2 - FINAL	Comment Q3 - FINAL	Comment Q4 - UPDATE	STATU
y and policy adopted.	By June 2023	GRM					
	By June 2023	GRM		Some planning has been undertaken into establishing local supplier panels for services such as mowing, fire safety etc. Specialist procurement arrangements are currently being established for projects such as Future Water.	As per Q2 update.	Some Project (FWP) and Engineering panels have been established. Establishment of local supplier panels is an ongoing BAU action.	
actions completed.	At least 90%	CCAM					•
ning of landowner volunteers completed.	By June 2023	FO			Continuing impacts from the floods in 2022 particularly with engaging with landowners.		
ns reviewed and updated.	By June 2023	FO			Continuing impacts from the floods in 2022 particularly with engaging with landowners.		
actions completed.	At least 95%	WBBRM					
inities, cost options and discuss with	By June 2023	WBBRM			Still to occur	Meeting organised for September 2023 with constituent councils to discuss. Meeting has been arranged with Kyogle Council re Service Level Agreement.	
ent phase completed.	By June 2023	SPE	Item not included in 22/23 budget. Report to be provided to Feb 23 Council meeting after seeking quotes, with request for budget allocation.			The Renewable Energy and Emissions Reduction Plan has been prepared and will be presented to a Council workshop on 20 September 2023.	
and operational.	By June 2023	GMO	Contract has been awarded - designs complete		Completed.		
ed.	Subject to Plan outcomes	CCAM WBBRM			On-ground works for River Reach Plans are underway.	A total of 7,000 trees have been planted in 2022/23 through the Wilsons River and Emigrant Creek River Reach Plans (RCC Catchment Management Plan) and the Coraki Riparian Project (Coastal Zone Management Plan).	
nalysis complete.	By June 2023	GMPD	Limited progress on collation of data.	Proposing to work with CSIRO on synergies between projects.	Working with CSIRO on synergies between projects, with resultant delay in progress.	Work is underway with CSIRO to gather and analyse data.	
er prepared.	By June 2023	FO					
actions completed.	At least 90%	FWPM		Some planning, investigation and design activities delayed. Awaiting outcome of state government grant funding to support these activities.	Council has been successful in obtaining SSWP grant funding for the implementation of the FWP. Some actions where deferred until this funding was confirmed.	There have been significant changes in the understanding of how core elements of this target will be delivered. In the second quarter of the 2022/23 financial year, the Ballina Shire Council's Marom Creek water supply was reconsidered for inclusion into the Alstonville Groundwater Supply Scheme. Council has secured land for a new water treatment plant at Alstonville. This land requires further land development activities to take place before the land can be released for sale. This is expected to be completed in the first half of 2024. At the same time Council was successful in securing funding from the Safe and Secure Water Partnership program. Progression of core actions were suspended, and only recommenced after a funding agreement was executed. Any works undertaken prior to this time would result in their ineligibility for funding. Significant flood damage has occurred to existing infrastructure at the Woodburn Groundwater Treatment Plant site. Council has been successful in obtaining flood recovery funding for this damaged infrastructure. The delivery of the reinstatement works to damaged infrastructure is being led by the NSW Public Works Advisory. Given the significant amount of damage to public infrastructure as a result of the 2022 floods, these reinstatement works are progressing slower than expected.	
ocessed.	Report by occurrence	WSO			32 rebates processed this financial year to end of March 2023.		
of non-compliance.	Zero	DTM OEM	Comment for LT only: Green selected as no ADGW Health Exceedances. However, there were the following ADWG aesthetic exceedances 2 high pH exceedances at Cumbalum consumer, 10 low DO exceedances and 1 high exceedance for Iron at James Road Meter Pit.		No ADWG health exceedances. Some minor SLA exceptions for low chlorine.		
rategy endorsed by Leadership Team and nentation.	December 2022	FWPM		In progress. Expected to be completed in Feb 2023.	Minor delays incurred due to resourcing. Expected to be completed in June 2023.	The target has not been achieved. The strategy has been reviewed by the new FWPM in conjunction with the Communications Manager. An amended strategy will be shared with key stakeholders for endorsement in Q1 FY24 which dovetails into the broader RCC communication strategy to achieve greater alignment. The amended strategy will also capitalise on the appointment of a communications and engagement resource in the FW team as well as focussing more on engaging with Traditional owners in support of the RCC statement of commitment.	
internal consultation.	By June 2023	FWPM		Delayed commencement. Awaiting outcome of state government grant funding to support planning, investigation and design.	Commencement of this project has been deferred to July 2023, due to actions associated with the potential transfer of the Marom Creek WTP.		

NO 'COMMENTS' REQUIRED IF GREEN

#### What we will do in Y3: 2019/20

<b>1.3.2</b> Source options to meet long- term (beyond 2040) water supply demands are better understood.	<b>1.3.2.1</b> Undertake further investigations of Stage 3 source options to support future decision making	Study commenced in accordance with project plans	By June 2023	FWPM	PRW Stage 3 Investigation tender evaluation completed - on track to begin prior to June 2023.	Delayed commencement. Awaiting outcome of state government grant funding to support planning, investigation and design.	Counc grant f and is
<b>1.3.3</b> Our water supply is valued and used responsibly.	<b>1.3.3.1</b> Undertake scheduled 2022-23 actions for the Regional Demand Management Plan.	% of scheduled actions completed.	At least 90%	WSO	New Demand Mgt Plan adopted at Oct 22 Council meeting.	In progress. Some program areas are on track whereas others have experienced delays due to shifting stakeholder priorities following Covid and floods. This work is ongoing.	
	<b>1.3.3.2</b> Design a behaviour-change pilot program to understand community attitudes to responsible water use.	Consultant engaged and initial program designed.	By June 2023	WSO	New Demand Mgt Plan adopted at Oct 22 Council meeting.	Delayed commencement due to late start date and resourcing. Extension recommended to June 2024.	e Pilot pi 2023-2
	<b>1.3.3.3</b> Implement the Water Loss Management Plan.	% of scheduled 2022-23 actions completed.	At least 90%	IPM	Implementation plan underway and not expected to implement 90% of ground works.	Due to current long lead times on metering and monitoring equipment, 90% of field installations will not be able to be completed this financial year, however are expected to be completed early in 2023/24.	On trad equipn installe
	<b>1.3.3.4</b> Continue implementation of smart metering and backflow prevention program for retail customers.	Contractors engaged and on ground works commenced.	By March 2023	SMPM			
<b>1.3.4</b> The region's water supply capacity is enhanced.	<b>1.3.4.1</b> Identify a preferred location and concept for a purified recycled water plant.	Preferred location identified with an associated concept.	June 2023	RWPM	Concept designs started - working on costings. Preliminary location to be selected with review after completion of Stage 3 PRW Investigations.		
<b>1.4.1</b> Our resources are planned, prioritised and implemented to ensure Rous's sustainability	<b>1.4.1.1</b> Undertake scheduled actions within the 2022-23 Resourcing Strategy (financial, asset and human resources).	% of scheduled actions completed.	At least 90%	FM AMSO PCM	Financial actions are underway but behind schedule, particularly the capital works schedule. To be reassessed upon Council's adoption of the September Quarter QBRS.	LTFP on track.	Financ schedu Signific March Counc prioritie
	<b>1.4.1.2</b> Deliver the 2022-23 Capital Works program.	% of program completed.	At least 80%	IPM FWPM PMRP ICTM DTEM OEM	Project implementation in progress at various stages. Mostly in initiation phase.	Flood Mitigation capital projects delayed due to ongoing flood disaster repairs.	Not ex project disaste
		% of spending achieved.	At least 80% of funds committed or spent.	IPM FWPM PMRP ICTM DTEM OEM	Project implementation in progress at various stages. Mostly in initiation phase.	Flood Mitigation capital projects delayed due to ongoing flood disaster repairs.	Capita Gallan commi over 8 Capita 40% e DTEM EOFY, upgrad
<b>1.4.2</b> Rous's revenue stream is strengthened.	<b>1.4.2.1</b> Prepare Development Servicing Plan for Bulk Water Supply, including a review of water charges.	Plan adopted.	By December 2022	PDE	Completion delayed due to other higher priorities for Council workshop. Report due to Council in December 2022 after November 2022 workshop. Decision has also been made to delay implementation to 1 July 2023.	Draft DSP currently on public exhibition and will be seeking formal adoption in February 2023.	Compl
	<b>1.4.2.2</b> Update the Business Plan for Richmond Water Laboratories.	Plan completed and endorsed.	By December 2022	RWLBM		RWL has ceased operations	-
<b>1.4.3</b> A positive risk management culture is embedded and sustained.	<b>1.4.3.1</b> Review the currency and operability of Emergency Response plans following recent major flood events.	Review complete.	By June 2023	ERC		Due the ERC position becoming vacant, this activity will need to be reviewed and potentially carried over into Y2 of the Delivery Program.	As per comple FY yea
	<b>1.4.3.2</b> Update Council's Risk Management Plan and review the Risk Register to respond to outcomes of recent major flood events.	Plan and Register closed.	By June 2023	ERC		Due the ERC position becoming vacant, this activity will need to be reviewed and potentially carried over into Y2 of the Delivery Program.	As per into Y2 resour is com

Council has been successful in obtaining SSWP grant funding. The project has now commenced and is expected to be completed by June 2024	This target has not been achieved - note that Drought management actions are not included in this and there is change in advice	
All actions underway at varying stages of progress. Unlikely to achieve 90% of scheduled actions due to flood impacts and resourcing.	Actions underway , 75%	
Pilot program development to be deferred to 2023-24 financial year	Preliminary actions underway	•
On track to purchase water loss monitoring equipment, however due to lead times will not be installed this financial year.		
Financial actions are underway but behind schedule, particularly the capital works schedule. Significant changes have been proposed in the March Quarter QBRS pending adoption by Council. 80% of asset management strategies priorities implemented	Financial actions are underway but behind schedule, particularly the capital works schedule despite significant changes via QBRS. 64% of capital works have been completed. 80% of asset management strategies priorities implemented.	
Not expected to complete 80% of planned projects due to resourcing related to flood disaster repairs and project cost increases.	Did not complete 80% of planned projects due to resourcing related to flood disaster repairs and project cost increases. Estimate is approximately 60% completion with several carry forward projects due for completion in first quarter of 2023/24.	
Capital Works Program budget (excluding FWP, Gallans, IT and Perradenya) currently at 70% committed or expended and expected to achieve over 80% committal or expenditure by EOFY. Capital Works Program as a whole currently at 40% expenditure. DTEM budgets on track to be 80% committed by		
EOFY, with exception of Nightcap switchboard upgrade due to need to retender.		
Completed.		
As per Q2 update - the GRM will undertake to complete this action during the remainder of the FY year.	A review of the existing suite of documents constituting the emergency management framework has been completed, however modest updates have not yet been completed.	
As per Q2 update - this action will be carried over into Y2 of the Delivery Program and different resourcing strategies utilised to ensure the action is completed.	Due to continued staff resourcing limitations, this action will be rolled over into the 2023/24 Operational Plan for action. However, progress against implementing improvement actions identified in the Organisational Debrief Report prepared following the 2022 flood events is being tracked and overseen by the ARIC.	

<b>1.4.4</b> Ongoing service reviews, audits and business	<b>1.4.4.1</b> Complete prioritised service reviews based on recommended	# of service reviews completed.	At least 1	GRM				
improvements achieve enhanced organisational outcomes.	focus areas identified by Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee.	% of review recommendations implemented.	At least 50% within	GRM				
			12 months of date					
			of recommendation					
	<b>1.4.1.2</b> Embed a business process management framework to drive	Process taxonomy completed with clear ownership.	By mid 2023	ICTL				
	continuous improvement.	Key process improvement opportunities identified.	By end 2023	ICTL				
	1.4.4.3 Participate in Performance Audits conducted by the NSW Audit	# of audits participated in.	Report by	FM	No audits participated in to date, and no requests	No audits participated in to date, and no requests	No audits participated in to date, and no requests	No audits participated in to date, and no requests to
	Office.		occurrence and		to participate received.	to participate received.	to participate received.	participate received.
			outcomes					
	1.4.4.4 Review and align all proactive operational maintenance plans for	r All operational maintenance plans reviewed, updated and	By June 2023	OEM	Plans reviewed and currently being updated.		D&T team have not been able to make progress	Dams and Treatment team have not been able to make
	water and flood assets as part of ongoing improvements to service.	implemented.		DTEM				progress on this item due to current maintenance scheduling and reporting limitations of Confirm. An alternative
								maintenance system is needed to be able to monitor and
								view maintenance schedules.
							schedules.	

# **External relationships**

Our priorities include:

- Building community understanding of the breadth of functions and results that Council delivers across the region
  Being well positioned to respond to the diversity of our communities' needs and aspirations.
  Ensuring we proactively and positively engage with our constituent councils so that they understand and support our future direction.
  Maintaining strong relationships with others to promote positive business, environment and community outcomes.
  Being well positioned to win State Government funding opportunities.
- Sound business planning and ongoing improvement.

Objectives:

- 2.1 Strong and mutually respectful relationships with our constituent councils.
- 2.2 People across our region understand the work that we do.2.3 Our working relationships with political, regulatory and industry stakeholders are effective and achieved achie

Delivery objectives	2022-2023 Actions	What is being measured	Target	Responsibility	Comment Q1 - FINAL	Comment Q2 - FINAL	Comment Q3 - FINAL	Comment Q4 - UPDATE	STATI
<b>1.1</b> Effective collaboration and communication with our onstituent councils.	<b>2.1.1.1</b> Undertake a survey with our constituent councils to best understand points of engagement for planning, collaboration and delivery	Survey completed.	By March 2023	CCM					
							A face to face networking event was held with		
							each of the constituent council's communications and customer service teams in lieu of conducting		
							a survey. The aim of the event was to better		
							inform each of these teams in understanding the		
							role of Rous across the region and identify		
							opportunities for collaboration.		
<b>2.1</b> Communities across our region are kept informed of	<b>2.2.1.1</b> Develop and implement a Communications and Engagement	Strategy adopted.	By August 2022	ССМ					
ous's work and have opportunities to engage with us.	Strategy.	% of scheduled actions completed.	At least 90%	CCM					
	<b>2.2.1.2</b> Identify target businesses for the Sustainable Water Partnership	Spread across target groups.	At least 2 target	WSO	New Demand Mgt Plan adopted at Oct 22				
	pilot program.		groups		Council meeting.				
	<b>2.2.1.3</b> Provide opportunities for engagement through face-to-face	Increase in social media followers.	At least 200	CCM			An increase in followers to Facebook of 251 and		
	activities, social media, website and customer service offerings.		1000/	0.014			29 for Instagram during the quarter.		
	<b>2.2.1.4</b> Monitor Rous website to ensure content complies with WCAG level AA standards.	Compliance.	100%	CCM					
	2.2.1.5 Provide timely and accurate information using appropriate media	Number of media releases.	No target	CCM					
		Number of social media posts.	Report by						
			occurrence				1 media release, 111 social media posts across		
	<b>2.2.1.6</b> Support Rous projects and activities through the development and implementation of communication and marketing campaigns.	Number of projects and activities supported.	No target Report by	CCM			Smart Meter , FWP & Renewable Energy projects		
.3.1 Our positive working relationships support the	<b>2.3.1.1</b> Pursue funding opportunities that support agreed regional	\$ value of funding received.	At least \$100,000	GM					
achievement of regional outcomes.	objectives where delivery is primarily Rous's responsibility.								
	<b>2.3.1.2</b> Actively participate in the Northern Rivers Joint Organisation.	% of scheduled meetings attended.	100%	GM					
<b>2.3.2</b> Water consuming businesses and industry are	<b>2.3.2.1</b> Undertake scheduled 2022-23 actions of the Regional Demand	% of scheduled Rous's actions completed.	At least 90%	WSO			All actions underway at varying stages of	75% underway	
engaged to promote sustainable water consumption.	Management Plan.				New Demand Mgt Plan adopted at Oct 22		progress. Unlikely to achieve 90% of scheduled		
					Council meeting.		actions due to flood impacts and resourcing.		
<b>.3.3</b> Local Aboriginal history and culture is respected, and	<b>2.3.3.1</b> Review and update Rous's Reconciliation Action Plan.	Review completed and revised RAP adopted.	By June 2023	CCAM				Focus during 2022/23 has been on consolidation of	
e positively engage with our First Nations communities.								membership on RAPAG and implementation. Review of t	.he
								RAP has been listed as an action in the 2023/24	
							Review pushed out to late 2023 or early 2024.	Operational Plan.	
.3.4 Local community groups are positively engaged to	<b>2.3.4.1</b> Undertake scheduled 2022-23 actions of the Communications	% of scheduled actions completed.	At least 90%	ССМ					
<b>3.5</b> Regional collaboration informs policy and innovative	<b>2.3.5.1</b> Actively contribute to the Weeds and Pest Advisory Committees		At least 90%	WBBRM	GM participates in this forum				
pproaches to priority issues.	as part of our flood and water policy contribution.	Nature of outcomes achieved.	Report by	WBBRM	2				
			occurrence	MODDM					
	<b>2.3.5.2</b> Collaborate with State and other agencies including Health, Loca	INATURE OF CONADORATION OUTCOMES.	Report by	WBBRM DTEM	DTEM attending WSAA water quality network		NSW Health and DPI have been involved in 5		
	Land Services, Dept of Primary Industries and Water Services Association of Australia.		occurrence	DIEN	meeting Nov 22. Discussions have been held		yearly DWMS review risk workshops and site		
	Association of Australia.				with NSW Health and DPI regarding Nightcap		visits and the FWP recycled water regulator		
					WTP strategic review outcomes.		workshops		



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Durpicities include:
Porecasting future workforce skill needs.
Being an employer our employees are proud to work for.
Creating opportunities for our staff to learn and develop skills that are needed for achieving our organisational objectives.
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Our future workforce requirements are confirmed.
Innovative solutions are applied to addressing skills gaps.
Laders at all levels.
We are recognised as an employer of choice.

3.4 We are recognised as an employer of choice. Delivery objectives	2022-2023 Actions	What is being measured	Target	Posponsibility	Comment Q1 - FINAL	Comment Q2 - FINAL	Comment Q3 - FINAL	Comment Q4 - UPDATE	STATUS
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<b>3.1.1</b> We know our workforce and skills requirements to achieve our Delivery Program commitments.	<b>3.1.1.1</b> Review and redesign recruitment strategies and techniques to target hard-to-recruit roles.	Recruitment strategy designed and implemented.	By 31 March 2023	PCM		Talent acquisition training completed 11-01-2023 for P&C team. Still more recruitment strategies to implement.		A talent strategy is to be delivered as an element of the Branding   Marketing strategy (a separate project being coordinated through the Customer and Communications' team). On track for delivery in Q1 of 2023/24.	
<b>3.2.1</b> Specialist and hard-to-recruit skills are available to Rous when needed.	<b>3.2.1.1</b> Implement Workforce Management Plan actions related to filling hard-to-recruit roles.	% of positions advertised and filled following recruitment process.	At least 90%	PCM		Target on the way to be met.	Target being met.		
	<b>3.2.1.2</b> Complete staff skills and interests inventory through annual performance appraisal process.	Inventory completed.	By 31 January 2023	PCM	Annual Performance check ins and training scheduled	Annual Performance Check-ins completed. Inventory to be completed Jan 2024		Information to be gathered as part of the Performance check-in process and inventory completed in January 2024	4.
	<b>3.2.1.3</b> In collaboration with constituent councils, identify and implement talent sharing opportunities.	In collaboration with constituent councils, identify and implement talent sharing opportunities.	Report by occurrence	PCM		To be removed. Councils are struggling to find talent.			
<b>3.3.1</b> Our leaders and emerging leaders are provided with development opportunities.	<b>3.3.1.1</b> Implement leadership development actions of the Workforce Management Plan.	% of scheduled actions completed.	At least 90%	PCM	Diploma of Leadership and Management offered to leaders. 13 have commenced training.				
<b>3.4.1</b> Our staff are proud to work for Rous.	<b>3.4.1.1</b> Recognise and celebrate achievements and staff contributions through regular staff communications.	% of staff who report being proud to work for Rous.	At least 90%	ССМ					
<b>3.4.2</b> Our workplace is accessible, inclusive and safe.	<b>3.4.2.1</b> Develop new Disability Inclusion Action Plan.	Plan finalised and approved.	30 June 2023	PCM		Target moved to 31 December 2023		Disability and inclusion elements are routinely factored into project planning where appropriate incl. for workplace design as part of the Gallans Road project. Timing for the development a new Disability Inclusion Action Plan will be revisited in the new financial year.	9
	<b>3.4.2.2</b> Review the Work Health and Safety Management System.	Review completed.	By December 2022	2 HSEC	In progress.			This has not been achieved, work is ongoing with HSE Coordinator acting in the Operations Engineering Manage role has impacted the completion of the review, review to complete by end of 2023.	
<b>3.4.2.3</b> Impler systems.	<b>3.4.2.3</b> Implement Council's Health Safety and Environment policy and systems.	Employee days lost.	0 lost time injuries	HSEC				Target not met with 2 LTI's recorded in the reporting perior reviewing and evaluating the existing safety measures and procedures in place and determining if they are adequate prevent similar incidents in the future are the focus of the HSE Team.	d
		Incident and hazard reporting.	Upward trend	HSEC					
		% of Vault modules implemented.	100%	HSEC				A significant amount of Vault modules are now in place, in the Vault system. Ongoing. 60% complete.	
			No paper-based business processes	HSEC				Pre-starts, Safe Work Instructions and Safe Work Method Statements are now in a digital format, readily available to staff, ongoing work to minimise and simplify these documents is underway. Further works are currently being undertaken to digitise the bulk of HSE documents.	



## Leadership and innovation

Our priorities include:

Confirming our role as a regional leader.
Expanding Rous's role in the region to provide a more consistent and cohesive service delivery model on behalf of our constituent councils.
Exploring new technologies and approaches to addressing regional issues where Council may contribute to the solution.
Responding proactively to a changing regulatory environment.

Objectives:

4.1 Be recognised for leadership in what we do.

Delivery objectives	2022-2023 Actions	What is being measured	Target	Responsibility	Comment Q1 - FINAL	Comment Q2 - FINAL	Comment Q3 - FINAL	Comment Q4 - UPDATE
<b>4.1.1</b> Embed reconciliation in Rous's culture through its	<b>4.1.1.1</b> Undertake scheduled 2022-23 actions of the Reconciliation	% of scheduled actions completed.	At least 90%	CCAM				
<b>4.1.2</b> Demonstrate effective leadership through the delivery of our commitments and reporting on our progress and	<ul> <li>4.1.2.1 Prepare an annual Operational Plan, Budget and Annual Report to demonstrate Council's progress in achieving its Delivery Program</li> </ul>	2023-24 Operational Plan and Budget adopted.	By June 2023	GMPP FBP		On track.	Drafted for presentation to Council at the April 2023 meeting for public exhibition.	
results.	commitments.	2021-22 Annual Report published.	By 30 November 2022	CCM				
	<b>4.1.2.2</b> Report on Service Level Agreement implementation and performance.	Reports provided to constituent councils.	6-monthly	GMO	New SLA report card based on revised SLA content will be complete by end of October.			
<b>4.2.1</b> Our business systems and data support us to achieve organisational results.	<b>4.2.1.1</b> Undertake scheduled 2022-23 actions of the Information and Communications Technology Plan.	% of scheduled actions completed.	At least 90%	ICTM	No ICT 2022-23 plan. ICT are progressing initiatives to schedule.	ICT are progressing initiatives to schedule	ICT are progressing initiatives to schedule	
	<b>4.2.1.2</b> Introduce a streamlined timesheet process for 70hr per fortnight staff.	Time spent on timesheet preparation.	At least 50% reduction in time spent by staff	PCM				New timesheet not yet in production. Aim for early 2023/24.
<b>4.2.2</b> Finding and promoting opportunities for technology alignment and compatibility across our region's councils.	<b>4.2.2.1</b> Establish a joint Technology Register with constituent councils to support achievement of procurement savings and efficiencies.	Register in place.	By June 2023	ICTM DTEM	In progress, DTEM in discussion with PWA regarding telemetry/SCADA standards	In progress. ICT Register has been populated in conjunction with constituents	No further progress with PWA for telemetry/SCADA. Have been in discussions with SAFEgroup to develop the joint register.	,
<b>4.3.1</b> Successful consolidation of Rous administration and depots to achieve business improvements and optimisation.	<b>4.3.1.1</b> Finalise consolidation plan and commence relocation to Gallans Road site.	Staff relocation commenced.	By September 2022	PMRP		Operational staff are operating from Gallans Road.	Relocation project has been refined to acknowledge change in circumstances resultant from the 2022 floods. Key outcomes for 2023 are DA approved for "Change of Use" and site and building plans finalised and contractors appointed for construction 2024.	
<b>4.3.2</b> Continuous improvement in our delivery of a bulk wat supply.	er <b>4.3.2.1</b> Review and update all operational maintenance plans for bulk water assets.	Number of scheduled actions completed.	All maintenance plans reviewed and updated.	GMO	All operations schedules have been collected and saved in CM - Preliminary review complete detailed reviews scheduled for 1st Quarter of 2022	-		
<b>4.3.3</b> Proactive contribution as part of a regional response flood mitigation.	<b>4.3.3.1</b> Actively participate and respond to formal inquiries and other studies into the regional floods of 2022.	Responses provided to public inquiries and where invited for non-public inquiries.	r At every opportunity	GMPD				
	<b>4.3.3.2</b> Progress discussions with Lismore City Council regarding the long-term arrangements for the Lismore Levee.	Revised draft MOU available for discussion.	By June 2023	GM				Discussions have occurred with Lismore City Council and negotiations are continuing.

