



It's in the Balance

2019 Strategic Planning Workshop



MDA Regions - growth strategy planner

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Name

Role

Council

Region

Current membership revenues	\$226,717
Non-member councils	\$341,591

A large, stylized graphic of '100%' in a bold, red, 3D font. The '0' is replaced by a target symbol with a bullseye, and an arrow is shown hitting the bullseye.

Membership Status

ion	Councils	Member	Non-member
1	Albury City Council	6,798.00	
1	Alpine Shire Council		3,503.70
1	Baw Baw Shire Council		6,180.00
1	Benalla Rural City Council		3,936.52
1	East Gippsland Shire Council		6,180.00
1	Federation Council	3,838.14	
1	Greater Hume Shire Council	3,263.65	
1	Indigo Shire Council		4,530.36
1	Mansfield Shire Council		2,437.85
1	Snowy Monaro (Snowy River)		5,741.91
1	Snowy Valleys Council	4,635.39	
1	Towong Shire Council		1,869.71
1	Wangaratta Rural City		6,180.00
1	Wodonga City Council	6,798.00	
14	Totals	25,333.18	40,560.05

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Region 2 –

Membership Status

Region	Councils	Member	Non-member
2	Berrigan Shire Council	2,700.39	
2	Campaspe Shire		6,180.00
2	City of Greater Bendigo		6,180.00
2	Edward River Council	2,912.20	
2	Greater Shepparton City Council	6,798.00	
2	Macedon Ranges Shire Council		6,180.00
2	Mitchell Shire Council		
2	Moira Shire Council	6,798.00	
2	Murray River Council	3,657.58	
2	Murrindindi Shire Council		3,899.88
2	Strathbogie Shire Council		2,917.81
2	Whittlesea City Council		6,180.00
2	Yarra Ranges Shire		6,180.00
13	Totals	22,866.17	37,717.69

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Region 3

Membership Status

Region	Councils	Member	Non-member	
3	Ararat Rural City Council		2,394.40	
3	Ballarat City Council		6,798.00	
3	Balranald Shire Council	771.94		
3	Buloke Shire Council		1,761.80	
3	Central Goldfields Shire Council		3,690.58	
3	Gannawarra Shire Council		3,256.63	
3	Grampians Shire Council, Northern		3,248.67	
3	Hepburn Shire Council		4,353.72	Interest expressed
3	Horsham Rural City Council		5,578.32	
3	Loddon Shire Council	2,485.77		
3	Moorabool Shire Council		6,180.00	
3	Mount Alexander Shire Council		5,328.12	
3	Pyrenees Shire Council		2,055.59	
3	Swan Hill Rural City Council		5,845.85	
14	Totals	3,257.71	50,491.68	

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Region 4

Membership Status

Region	Councils	Member	Non-member
4	Broken Hill City Council	6,191.14	
4	Central Darling Shire Council	621.98	
4	Hindmarsh Shire Council		1,624.76
4	Mildura Rural City Council	6,798.00	
4	Wentworth Shire Council	2,224.29	
4	Yarriambiack Shire Council		1,895.41
4	West Wimmera Shire Council		1,108.45
7	Totals	15,835.41	4,628.62

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* Membership fees - South Australia

A number of councils in South Australia do not currently pay the full membership fee.

Prior to 2014 fees were charged at \$0.11 per head of popl, capped at \$2,000.00 for councils deemed to be 'non-riparian'. A 'new member' discount of 50% was also offered to some councils, although full fee was not applied the following year.

As such, many councils in SA

Issues:

- a) There was no record of any reference in the constitution, policy or minutes to any distinction between riparian and non-riparian councils' category of membership.
- b) Discounts have not been applied consistently.
- c) Inequity – all councils rely equally on the resources of the basin, and on the opportunity to advocate through the MDA.
- d) Rationale underpinning the discount is flawed. Councils outside the basin, and that are not intersected by the basin river systems are as reliant on the need for local government to be heard on basin related matters.
- e) MDA is not seen to apply fees and charges consistently and equitably.

In July 2015, as part of the budget process

348 - 3.8 Motion: That the board

- a) Adopts the above fee schedule for the 2015/16 year
- b) Explicitly extinguishes any distinction between so-called riparian and non-riparian categories of membership
- c) Resolves that all new members will pay full rate from commencement.
- d) Phase out all discounts by 2020.

Carried

Phasing out the 'discounts' requires leadership and strong relationships and engagement within and across the affected councils in order to manage expectation, and demonstrate value for rate-payer dollars.

Region 5

Membership Status

Region	Councils	Member	Non-member
5	Berri Barmera Council	3,306.13	
5	Karoonda East Murray District Council	322.71	
5	Loxton Waikerie District Council	3,625.09	
5	Mid Murray Council	2,514.68	
5	Renmark Paringa Council	3,118.38	
5	Totals	12,886.99	

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Region 6

Membership Status

Region	Councils	Member	Non-member
6	Alexandrina Council	6,798.00	
6	Coorong District Council	1,726.01	
6	Kingston District Council		667.11
6	Murray Bridge Rural City	5,129.58	
6	Southern Mallee District Council		575.66
6	Tatiara District Council	2,055.59	
6	Victor Harbor City		4,164.86
7	Totals	15,709.18	5,407.63

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Region 11

Membership Status

Region	Councils	Member	Non-member
11	Armidale Regional Council		\$6,180
11	Brewarrina Shire Council	596.68	
11	Coonamble Shire Council	1,357.70	
11	Glen Innes Severn Council		2,539.53
11	Gunnedah Shire Council	1,659.08	
11	Gwydir Shire Council	1,697.77	
11	Inverell Shire Council		4,764.95
11	Liverpool Plains Shire Council	2,336.75	
11	Moree Plains Shire Council	4,363.56	
11	Narrabri Shire Council		3,828.60
11	Tamworth Regional Council		6,180.00
11	Tenterfield Shire Council		1,893.43
11	Uralla Shire Council		1,749.16
11	Walcha Council		892.6
11	Walgett Shire Council	2,260.21	
16	Totals	14,271.75	28,028.27

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Regional Profile

What distinguishes your region? What defines the identity of your member councils, and their relationship to the Murray-Darling Basin.

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Regional Priorities

What are the priorities for your region? What are the objectives that councils in your region need to work with state and federal governments to achieve? What are the key issues in your region that prompted you to be here today.

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Regional Boundaries

The regions of the MDA are a matter of historical determination and some guess-work. Are the boundaries fit for purpose? Should, and how should they change?

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