Sassafras Wesley Vale Augmentation

Tranche Three - Phase One

The Sassafras Wesley Vale Irrigation Scheme commenced operations in November 2012, delivering 5,460 ML to irrigators in the Sassafras, Harford, Thirlstane, Moriarty, Wesley Vale, Northdown, Pardoe and East Devonport areas in North West Tasmania.

In 2019, a survey was conducted in which 60 irrigators expressed interest for additional water. The proposed augmentation has the capacity to deliver an additional 9,200ML of high-surety irrigation water.

The Business Case has been approved by the State Government and Federal Government and the project is progressing with detailed design phase, it is expected that this process will continue to early 2024.

102 KMs of Pipeline	O 2 Dams Pump Stations	O Power Stations
Milestones / Forecasts		
EOIs launched	August 2019	
EOIs concluded	September 2019	
Additional IRC appointed	August 2019	
Preferred Option Design launched	November 2021	
Water Sales launched	May 2022	
Business case submitted	December 2022	
Anticipated construction start date	Mid 2024	
Anticipated construction end date	August 2026	
Anticipated water delivery commencement	September 2026	
First full season	November 20256	
Fast Facts		
Initial ML capacity	5,460 ML	
Total EOIs received	5,745 ML	
Expected final scheme capacity	14,660 ML	
Total forecast cost	\$124.2 million	
Estimated number of irrigators	135	
Forecast season opening	1 November	
Forecast season closing	31 March	
Daily flow rate	99.1 ML /day	
Water entitlement price	\$2,090 / ML	

