

# MEETING MINUTES SUMMARY

## WATER INDUSTRY REFERENCE COMMITTEE

Thursday 6 February 2020

### Meeting Overview

- Meeting held in Perth at WaterCorp
- Industry Updates
- Update on Training Package Status
- Meeting Outcomes

### Industry Issues

- IRC Chair provided an update on the consultation workshops being held around Australia. A series of background papers were discussed relating to the Government's commitment to strengthening the VET sector through its Skills Package
- Chair provided members with an update from the IRC Chairs meeting held in Adelaide in December, in particular the Joyce review
- The IRC spoke about the concern of fewer RTO's having scope to deliver Water Industry training and ways of addressing this issue
- AIS gave a brief presentation about the DT Expert Panel and scope of their work

### Current Training Package Updates

- AIS thanked all involved for their participation in the completion of the Cert II & III Water Industry Operations qualifications. These qualifications are now available.
- The IRC was informed that the two Certificate IV qualifications (Operations & Treatment) have been merged into a single qualification.
- The IRC were presented with a draft copy of the Skills Forecast & Industry Outlook-
  - Annual update to the Skills Forecast (SF) which is submitted as a report to the AISC and includes the Proposed Schedule of Work
  - Industry Outlook (IO), is a document produced for IRC usage, based on AIS research and IRC Input. This document is intended for Industry as a reference and is not an AISC requirement.
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### Meeting Outcomes

- AIS to send the IRC the Skills Forecast and Industry Skills Outlook in Word version for members to provide feedback by 28 February
- AIS to keep IRC up to date with Digital Transformation Projects
- IRC to look at a whole of industry position on training delivery

Next IRC meeting scheduled for **11 August in Melbourne.**