

MEETING MINUTES SUMMARY

WATER INDUSTRY REFERENCE COMMITTEE

Tuesday 11 August 2020

Meeting Overview

- Meeting held in Melbourne at Australian Industry Standards
- Current Training Package Updates
- General Business

Current Training Package Updates

- IRC Chair provided an update on the virtual IRC Chairs meeting and the three main topics- Cross Sectoral work, IRC membership and Leadership of the AISC and what are the expectations.
- AIS updated the IRC on the current Water projects. Both the Certificate IV in Water Industry Operations and Certificate IV in Water Industry projects are at the end stage and that the two Certificate IV qualifications will be merged into one qualification.
- The IRC discussed the 2021 Skills Forecast and the associated priority skill needs
- QLD Water put a Water Brief together in response to no scope of work for 2021 and looked at emerging technologies as a discussion point to get things started at the IRC Meeting. Each IRC member will consider the brief and provide a response on Identified topics.
- IRC raised concerns about the shortage of RTO's who deliver training in the Water industry and this is due to a range of issues and decided they decided on a plan to put a briefing paper together

General Business

- AIS CEO expressed his appreciation for the ongoing participation, contribution and support from the Water IRC. He advised the Department has extended AIS's contact for a further 6 months until end of June 2021.

Meeting Outcomes

- AIS to forward out in CCVT existing units - UEENEE156A and NWPNET037 for IRC to review.
- AIS to send the merged brief with collated issues to relevant Water bodies including WASA, ASQA and Federal Government

- AIS will trial and maintain the Water New Technologies register and send out to the IRC members quarterly to update and revisit at the next meeting

Next IRC meeting 10 February 2021