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Lachlan Millar appointed as new Board Director for Gladstone Area Water Board

The Queensland Government has appointed Lachlan Millar as a Director to the Board of Gladstone Area Water Board (GAWB).

Mr Millar replaces Tina Zawila, who has completed her term as Director.

Gladstone Area Water Board Chair, Ms Adrienne Ward, thanked Tina for her service to the board.

“On behalf of the Board, we thank Tina for her service to GAWB, our customers and community”, said Ms Ward.

“She has been a valued Director since her appointment in December 2021. Tina’s background in finance, business and the local community has been instrumental as we have transitioned through pre-approval to almost completion of the FGP, and as GAWB has grown in maturity as a business.

“We also welcome Mr Millar, who brings a wealth of experience as our new Board Director.”

Mr Millar spent 10 years as a rural journalist for the ABC, and a decade as the Member for Gregory. Originally from a farming/irrigation family in Emerald, Mr Millar understands the challenges faced by a regionally based organisation.

He has previously held roles as a Ministerial Advisor and Executive of Fitzroy Basin Food and Fibre and currently works part-time for the Royal Flying Doctor Service (RFDS) in commercial and corporate affairs.

In accordance with the Water Act 2003 (QLD), Directors are appointed for a term of three years. The continuing members of the GAWB Board are Ms Suzanne Burow and Mr Mitchell Petrie.

Gladstone Area Water Board (GAWB), as a Queensland Government Bulk Water Supply Authority, delivers safe and reliable water services which promote economic development and enhance the lifestyle of regional Queensland. GAWB owns and operates Awoonga Dam, along with a network of pipelines, water treatment plants and other distribution infrastructure. GAWB also owns and operates Aquaculture Gladstone, a fish hatchery and interpretive display at Lookout One at Lake Awoonga.

To ensure long-term water security for customers, the 117-kilometre Fitzroy to Gladstone Pipeline (FGP) is under development. When delivered, the FGP will become part of the GAWB network and provide enhanced water security and reliability for the region. For more information about GAWB and the FGP, please visit www.gawb.qld.gov.au

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