

Under the *Water Act 1989*, permission must be obtained from Southern Rural Water (SRW) for any structure to be built on land near, in, or on a drain, channel, or pipeline owned or controlled by SRW.

This permission, in the form of a private works agreement (or *Licence to Construct and Use Private Works*), will ensure that work is carried out to the required standard, and enable customers to carry out works with their own equipment at a time that suits them.

On occasion, works have been constructed without prior permission being obtained from SRW. When works are not constructed to a satisfactory standard, or have affected the operation of the irrigation system, SRW has required changes to bring the works to the relevant standard. In some cases, demolition of the works has been carried out. These changes are at the customer's expense and can be extremely expensive.

Some typical examples of the work that requires a licence include, but are not limited to:

- Bridge crossings
- Direct suction (pump) outlets
- Pump diversions
- Drainage outlets
- Subway/siphon crossings
- Culvert, pipe, or electricity crossings

SRW requirements

Any private works must not affect the operation of the system, e.g., access is maintained and channel capacity is not reduced. This is to guarantee other irrigators are not adversely affected by the works.

All technical works must be built to current construction standards for operation and maintenance. Details and/or engineered drawings of works that set out appropriate standards need to be supplied with an application.

The process

1. You complete and return the attached Private Works Request form. An SRW officer may meet with you onsite to discuss the proposed works.

Once the works are agreed upon, we prepare and issue a Licence Agreement and invoice for you to sign and pay.

2. We then authorise the Licence and send a copy to you. This is when your project can legally begin.
3. We will conduct inspections at agreed times throughout the project or at completion.
4. If the works are constructed correctly and no remedial action is required, we release the security deposit to your nominated bank account.

If you have further questions, or you are unsure if a licence is required for your proposed works, please contact our Land Management Coordinator on 03 5139 3100 or 0400 883 585.

Instructions

Please complete the details below to submit a proposal for construction of private works on or near Southern Rural Water's infrastructure. Any works conducted must have a Private Works Agreement duly authorised prior to any works taking place.

Fees

Fees for Private Works Agreements are updated annually according to the Southern Rural Water Tariff Schedule. Please refer to our website srw.com.au/customer/accounts/prices-and-forms for further details.

Contact details

Owner Name			
Postal address		Postcode	
Phone No.		Water Use Licence No.	
Email address		Allocation Bank Account No.	

Applicant Name (if different to owner)			
Email address			
Phone No.		Mobile No.	

Contractor Name			
Phone No.		Mobile No.	

Title details

Property address			
Lot No.		Plan No. (PS or TP)	
Parish			

Proposed works details (leave blank any that do not apply)

Type of proposed works	<input type="checkbox"/> Meter outlet (Slipmeter/Flumegate) <input type="checkbox"/> Direct suction <input type="checkbox"/> Siphon <input type="checkbox"/> Occupational crossing <input type="checkbox"/> Subway <input type="checkbox"/> Pivot crossing <input type="checkbox"/> Stock & Domestic line <input type="checkbox"/> Other:		
Construction start date		Construction end date	
Diameter		Material	
Proposed flow rate	Max.	Channel (if known)	
Type of pump		Size / type flow of meter	
Construction method			
Type of system	<input type="checkbox"/> Pipe & riser <input type="checkbox"/> Flood <input type="checkbox"/> Sprinkler <input type="checkbox"/> Other		

Plan of design

Please attach a design and locality plan of the area affected by the proposal.

Bank details (for processing the refund of the security deposit)

Bank Account Name			
BSB No.		Account No.	

All registered owners of the property **must** sign this form as confirmation that the information supplied is complete and correct. It is an offence to supply false or misleading information.

Signature

Name

Signature

Name

Date of Signature

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General information and explanatory notes

How long is a licence valid?

A Private Works Licence is generally issued for a term of 15 years, with a completion date set 3 months after the Date of Issue.

Can I transfer a licence?

The Licensee must give notice of this licence to any prospective purchaser of the licensee's land and ensure that this licence is transferred to any successor in title. Please let SRW know if and when this needs to happen.