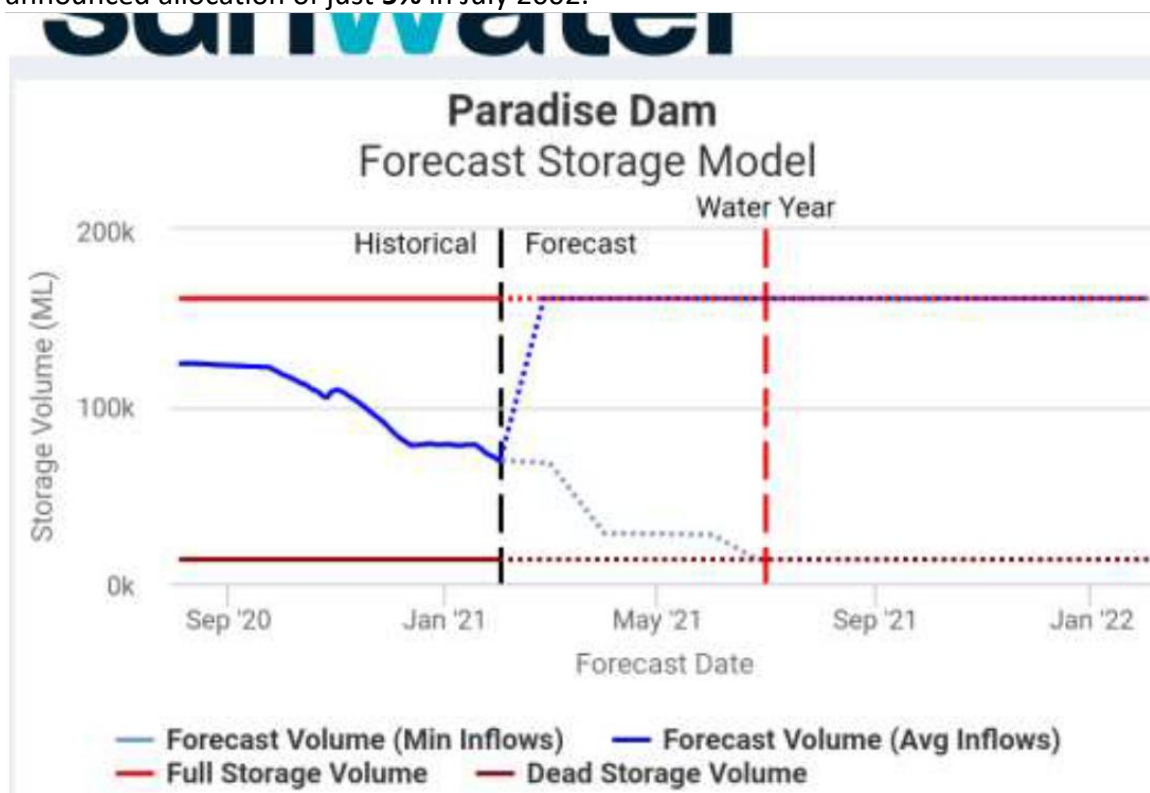


PARADISE DAM UPDATE

Paradise Dam has brought great prosperity, growth and opportunity to the farming community of the Bundaberg region. Sadly, the lowering of the wall of Paradise Dam by 5.8 m has created much uncertainty and concern for the future of agriculture, job security and the economy in the Bundaberg region. Currently the dam is very low, just 20% of its original full supply level. Without inflows, the dam will effectively be empty by June, as seen in Sunwater's forecast model (below). Many of us remember what happened when we had an announced allocation of just 5% in July 2002.



https://storagelevels.sunwater.com.au/storageforecast/Forecast_Portal.htm#Paradise

If history repeats itself when the allocations are announced in July 2021, growers simply will not have enough water to reliably plant, grow and finish a crop. Local growers are forming a Class Action against the State Government claiming losses arising from the Government's mismanagement of Paradise Dam. We are seeking support to fund expert reports for the class action, including:-

- Forensic Accountant – to quantify and validate the potential losses in income, land values etc
- Water Hydrologist – to quantify the long-term impacts on water reliability
- Specialist Engineer – to outline how the dam has been mismanaged

These reports are vital in establishing our position and must be written and funded before we can lodge court documents, which are due to be lodged in April/May 2021.

As a business which works closely with irrigated agriculture in our region we would love your support to get the experts engaged. We are asking your business to contribute \$10,000 - \$20,000 by **Monday 15th February**.

Please contact 0407 114 748 or paradise@marlandlaw.com.au for more details on the class action. Your immediate support will enable the growers who work with your business to initiate this legal action in the Supreme Court. More importantly, your financial support will reassure the Bundaberg farming community that you are 100% behind them in their fight to save their livelihoods, the livelihoods of their employees, and the broader community which relies on the prosperity that Paradise Dam creates.