

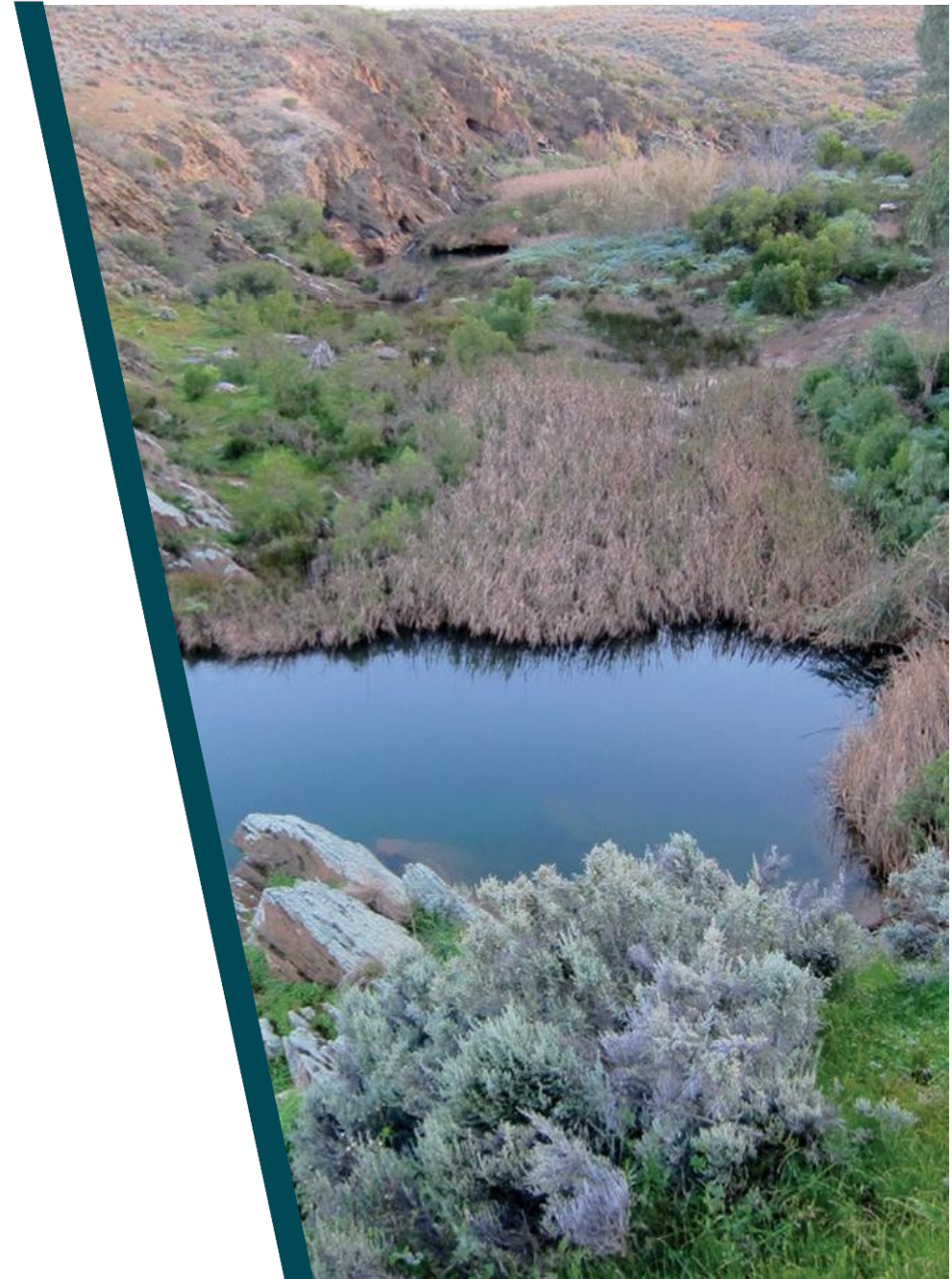
Unbundling water licenses

Barossa WAP forum

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Water License

- Is personal property
- Relates to a particular 'consumptive pool'
- Lists the point from which the water can be taken e.g. well, dam
- May contain other conditions
- Provides a Water Access Entitlement



Proposed new licensing format

Existing water license

Name & address
Management area and water source
Allocation volume and purpose of use
Location and number of bores, dams, meters
Conditions of use

Water
Access
Entitlement

Share of
the
resource

Water
Resources
Works
Approval

Bores,
meters
and
conditions

Site Use
Approval

Purpose
of use

Water
Allocation

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the
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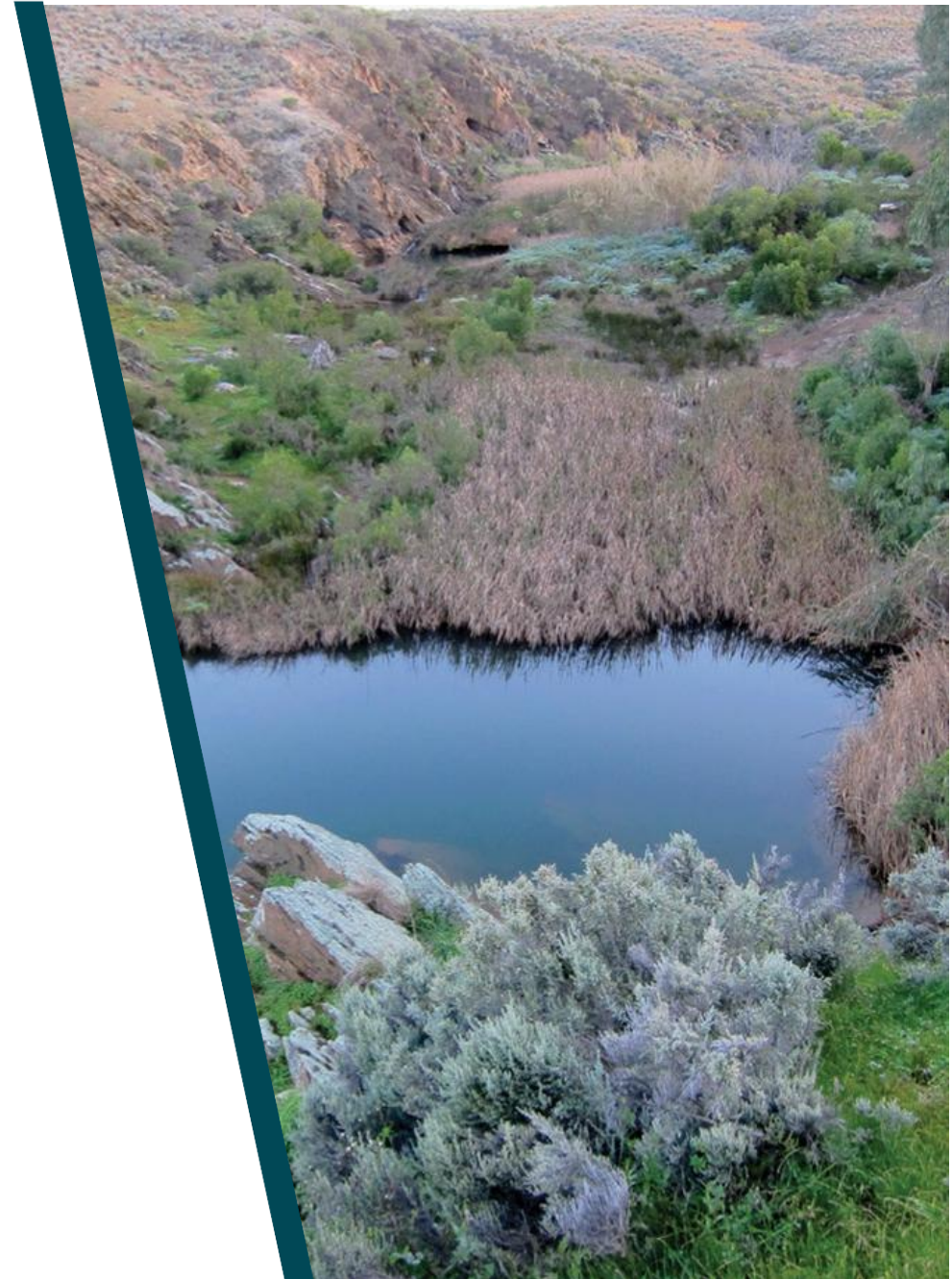
Water Access Entitlement

- Authorisation issued under the license
- Mortgageable component
- Subject to the license conditions
- Comprised of a number of Entitlement Shares



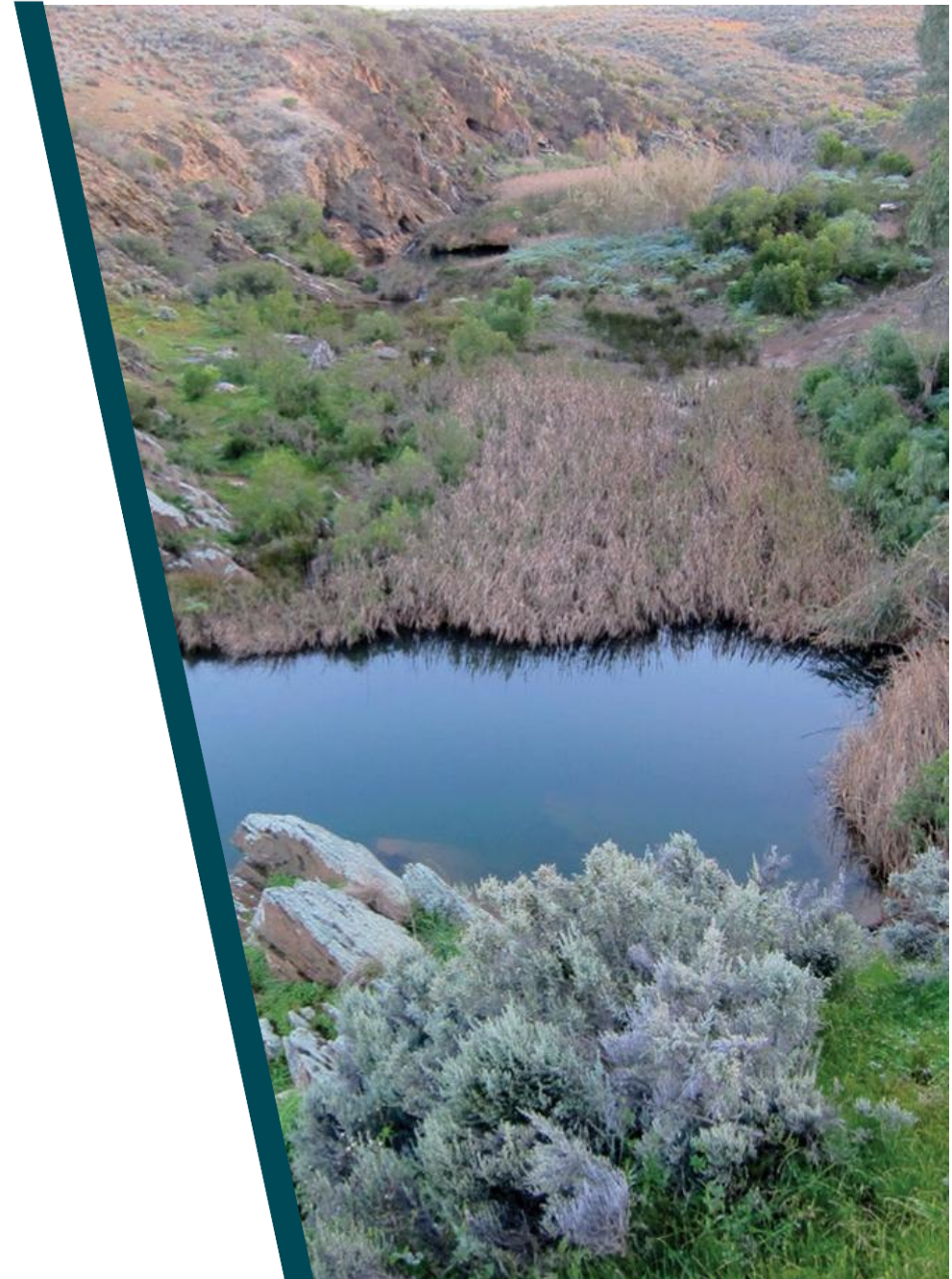
Water Allocation

- Issued under the Entitlement
- Lasts for up to 12 months
- Subject to the license conditions
- Based on the value of the share for the water use year



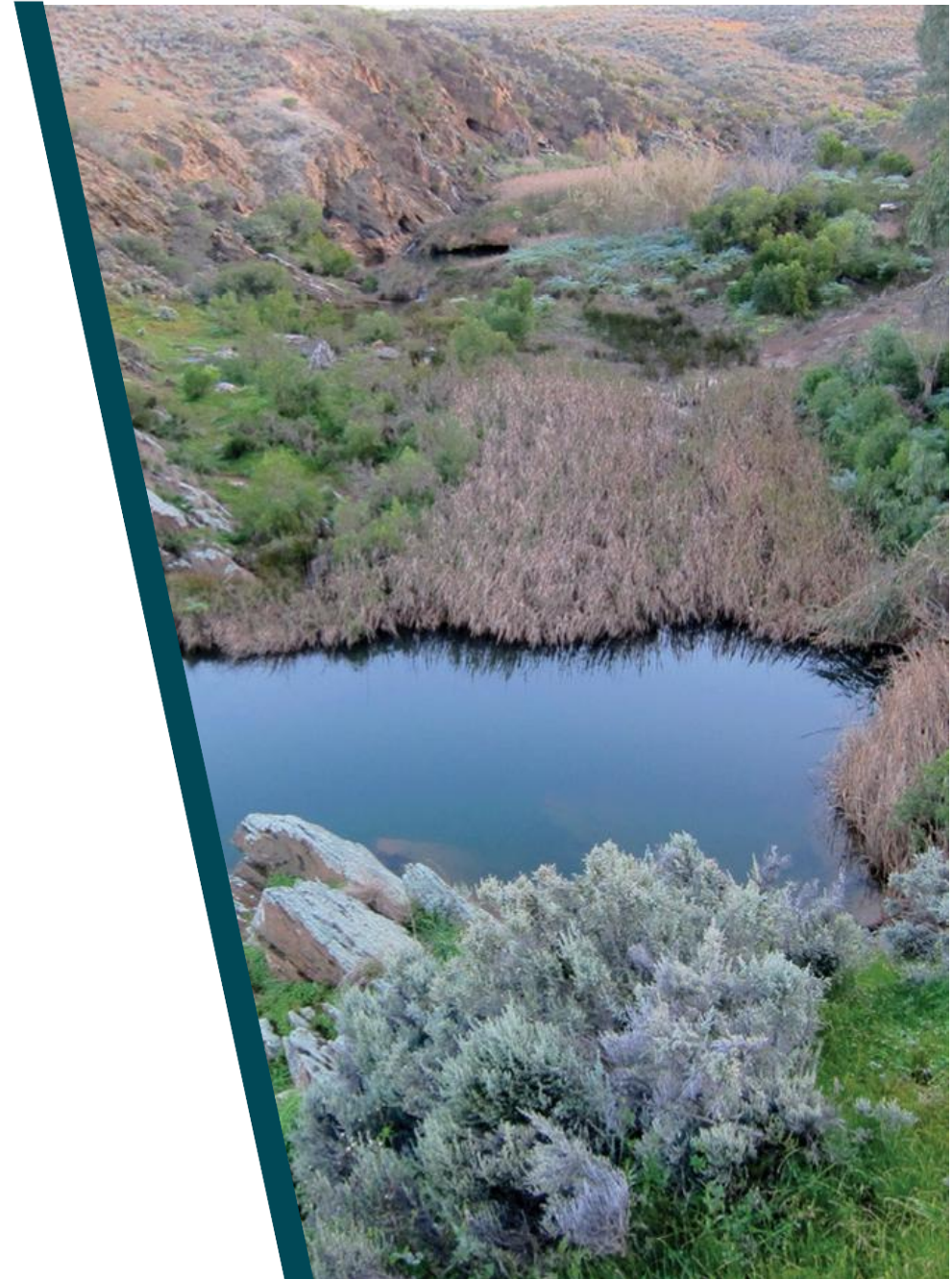
Benefits of 'partially unbundling' licenses

- **Entitlement** provides
 - ongoing share of the resource – remains constant
 - mortgage asset – recognised by banks
- **Allocation** provides for
 - adaptive water management – can be adjusted, without impact to entitlement
 - transfer separate from entitlement



Consumptive Pools

- A Consumptive Pool is “the pool of water that is available to meet the consumptive demands for water”
- It can be the whole of a **water resource** or parts of a resource
- In the Barossa, each of the proposed **management zones** would be a separate consumptive pool
- This would be the level at which any management decisions (such as varying allocations) could be made

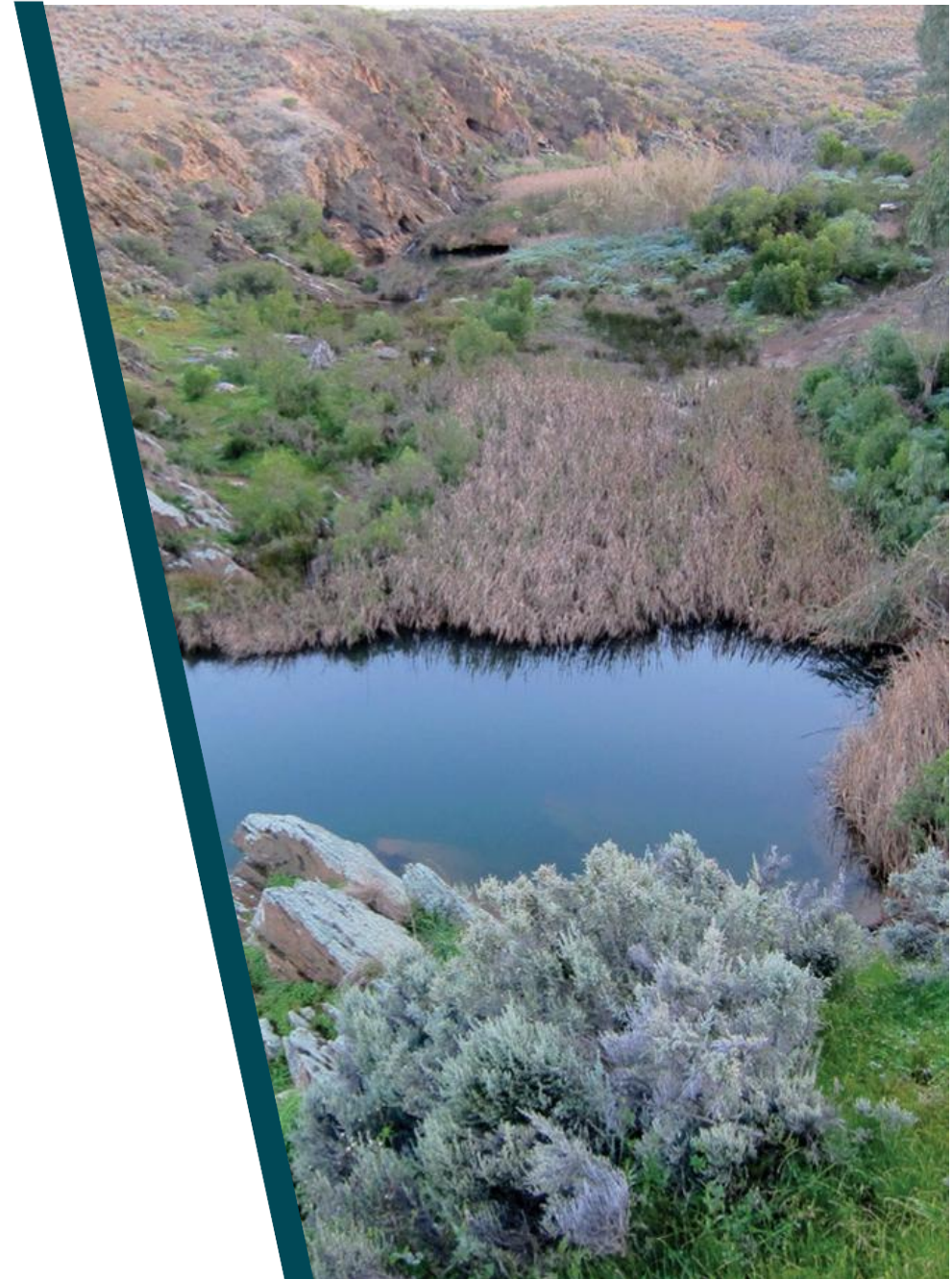


Consumptive Pools

Water resources

- Surface water
- Watercourse water
- Groundwater

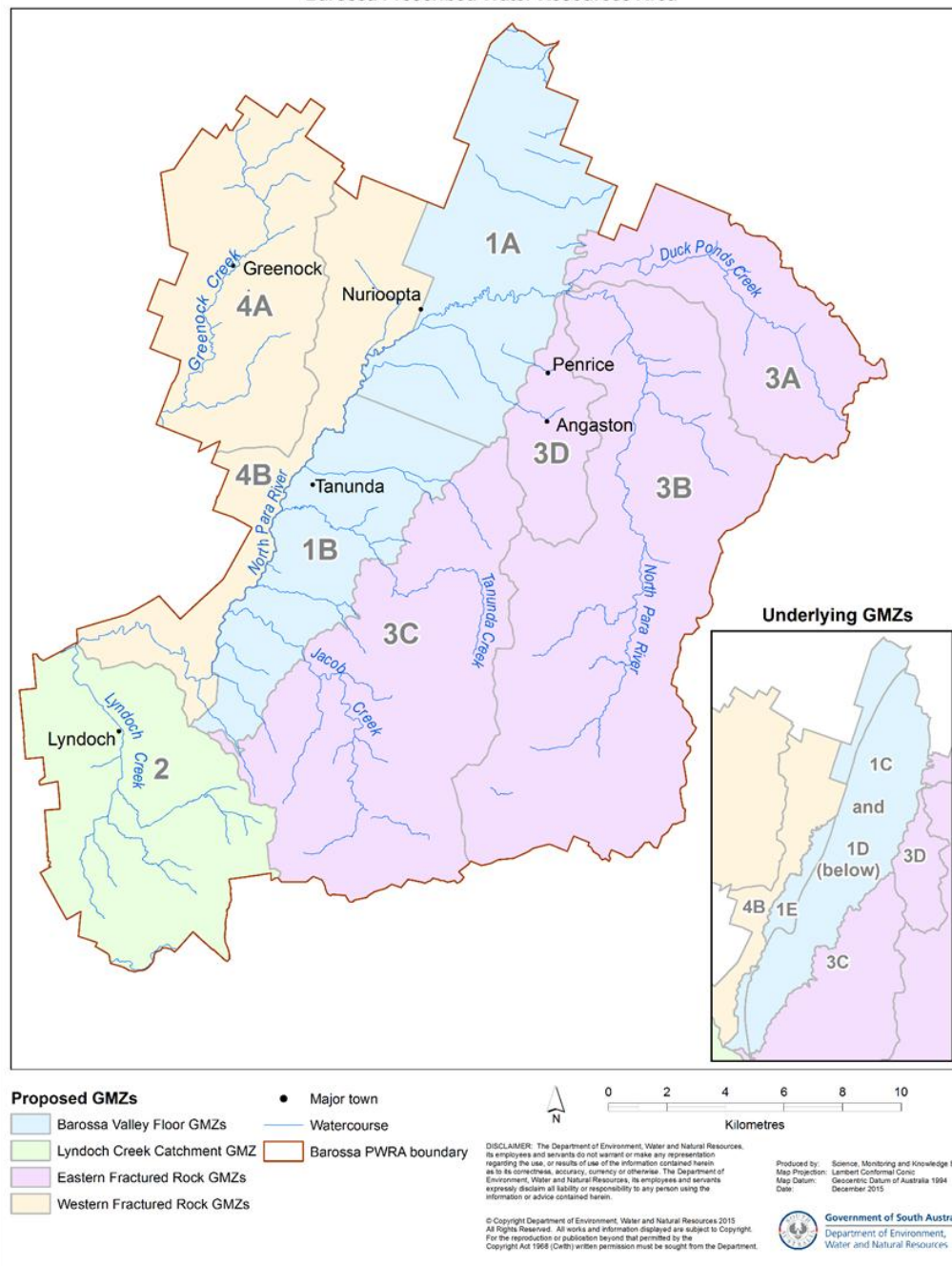
➤ Management zones





Proposed surface water management zones

Proposed groundwater management zones



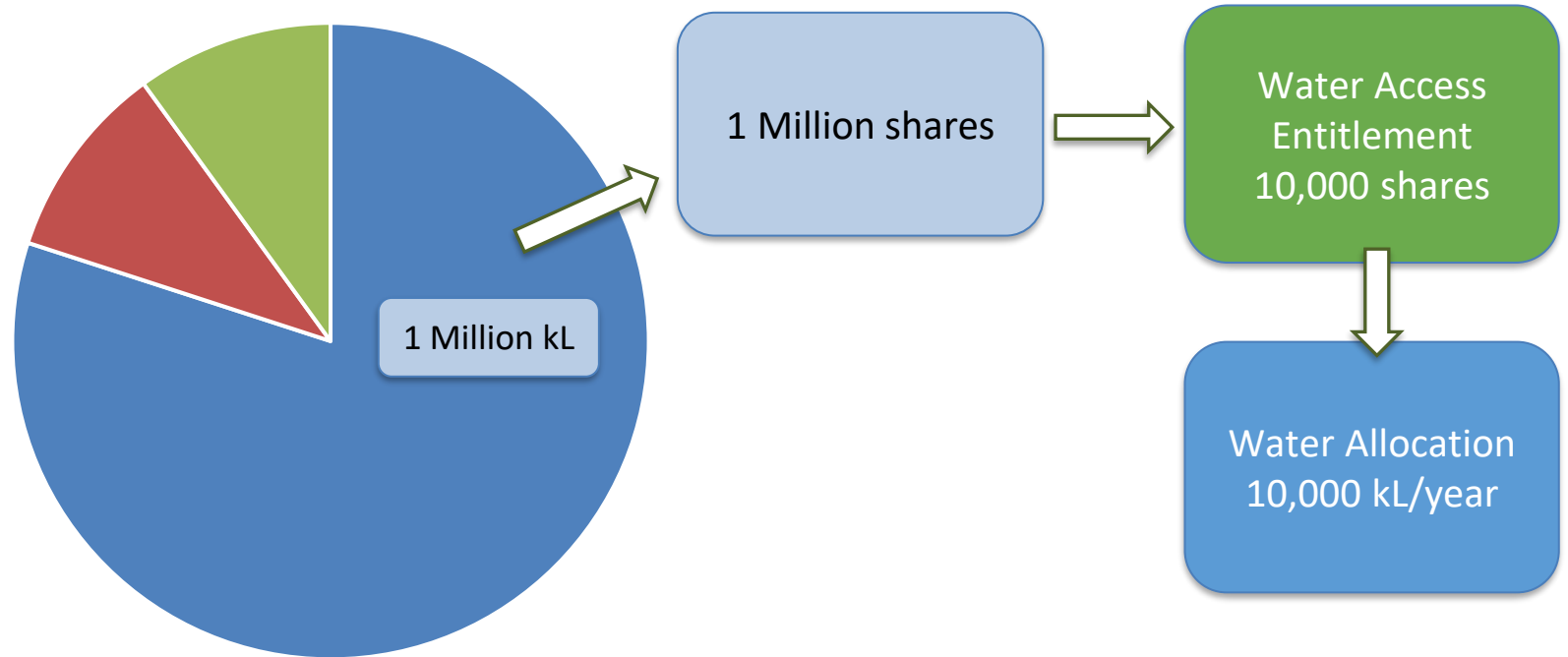
Consumptive pools

Pool categories:

Groundwater

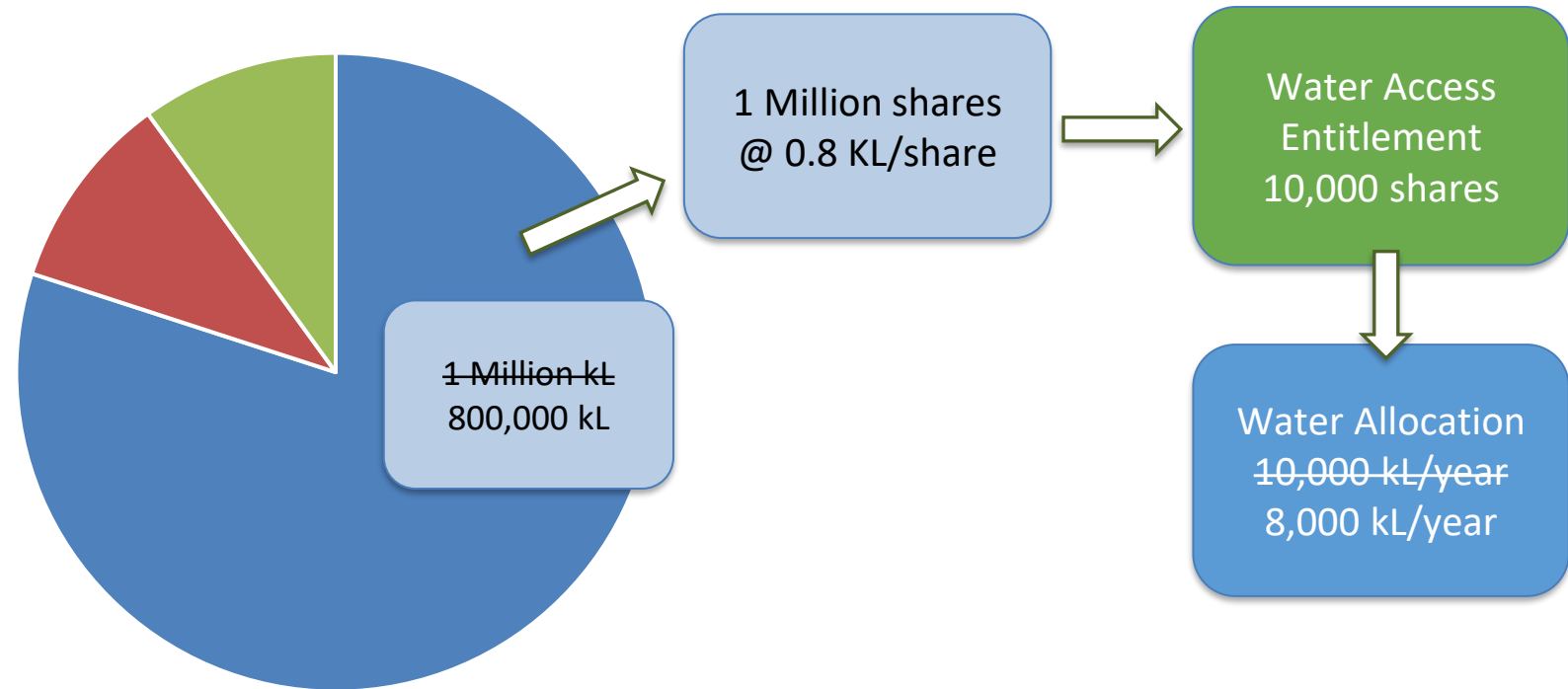
Surface water

Watercourse water



Changes to a consumptive pool

Example:
In response to a
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condition

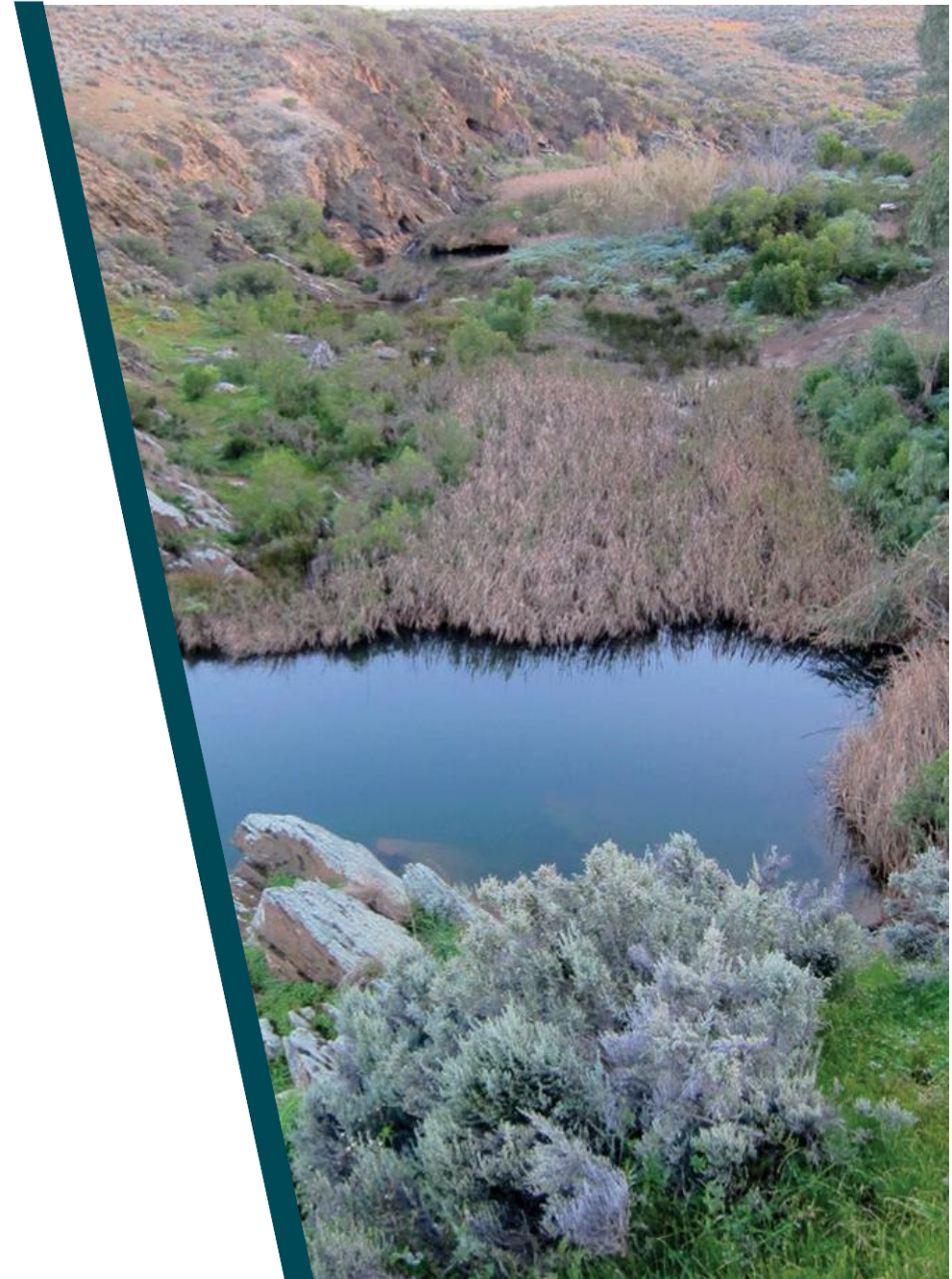


Summary

Partially unbundled license

For each consumptive pool type:

- Entitlement Shares – constant
- Allocation – can be varied





Thank you



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