AWB Spring Starter

2017/18 AWB Spring Starter: Estimated Pool Return update – 16 November 2017

Program Update

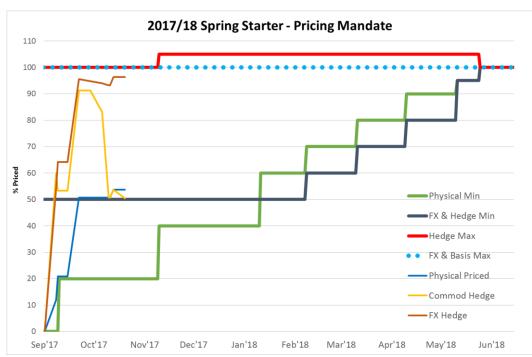
Today AWB are leaving the 2017/18 AWB Spring Starter EPR's unchanged.

While global wheat prices have been very flat over the past few months due to a continuation of large global stocks, the Australian price has been volatile due to variable weather across the wheat belt. Fairly wide-spread rain during October, combined with some milder temperatures, took the strength out of the Australian wheat market bought on by more than a month of overall dry conditions especially in Northern NSW and Southern Qld through August and September. The market has been impacted essentially in two ways by this improved weather. Firstly, despite the rains being too late to rescue the Southern Queensland and Northern NSW wheat crops, they have significantly improved the production prospects of the 2018 Sorghum crop and hence reduced the demand for feed wheat into animal feed rations in that region which had been putting significant upward pressure on price. Secondly, at the same time rain across the remainder of the national cropping belt rescued, and in some cases, improved wheat yield prospects.

In late September some market pundits suggested that national production could be as low as 17mln tonnes, however this has now turned around and they are now expecting a crop closer to 21mln tonnes. This is clearly a big turnaround and the combination of decreased wheat feeding demand and increased supply has clearly changed the supply and demand scenario considerably. In September it economically made sense to truck grain from northern Victoria to the Queensland Darling Downs for stock feed demand, whereas today the numbers only really work to truck grain from northern NSW into the Darling Downs – a huge shift. The knock on impact of this is that wheat in Southern Australia now needs to focus on the export markets . The short term outlook for Australian Wheat prices is not bullish as harvest gathers pace and in a number of port zones, Australian prices are still above export parity prices.

Pricing Mandate Update

AWB is committed to transparency and to demonstrate this, we provide a regularly updated pricing position. This exceeds the level of transparency recommended by the Australian Grain Industry Code of Practice, Operating Standard for Grain Pool Providers. The pricing mandate shows the parameters our trading team operate in when making pricing and hedging decisions.



QUEENSLAND											
Grade		BRISBA	NE	•	GLADSTC	DNE	MACKAY				
APH1	\$	350.00	- \$0		-	-		-	-		
APH2	\$	340.00	- \$0	\$	305.00	- \$0	\$	305.00	- \$0		
H2	\$	335.00	- \$0	\$	295.00	- \$0	\$	295.00	- \$0		
AUH2	\$	330.00	- \$0	\$	290.00	- \$0	\$	290.00	- \$0		
APW1	\$	330.00	- \$0	\$	290.00	- \$0	\$	290.00	- \$0		
ASW1	\$	325.00	- \$0	\$	285.00	- \$0	\$	285.00	- \$0		
AGP1	\$	320.00	- \$0	\$	270.00	- \$0	\$	270.00	- \$0		
SFW1	\$	315.00	- \$0	\$	260.00	- \$0	\$	260.00	- \$0		
FED1	\$	285.00	- \$0	\$	230.00	- \$0	\$	230.00	- \$0		

NEW SO	UTH	WALES				
Grade		NEWCAS	TLE	P	ORT KEIV	IBLA
APH1	\$	345.00	- \$0	\$	340.00	- \$0
APH2	\$	335.00	- \$0	\$	330.00	- \$0
H1		-	-	\$	320.00	- \$0
H2	\$	315.00	- \$0	\$	307.00	- \$0
AUH2	\$	310.00	- \$0	\$	305.00	- \$0
APW1	\$	310.00	- \$0	\$	305.00	- \$0
ASW1	\$	300.00	- \$0	\$	295.00	- \$0
AGP1	\$	285.00	- \$0	\$	280.00	- \$0
SFW1	\$	275.00	- \$0	\$	270.00	- \$0
FED1	\$	245.00	- \$0	\$	240.00	- \$0

VICTORIA											
Grade	Ν	/IELBOU	RNE		GEELON	IG	PORTLAND				
H1	\$	275.00	- \$0	\$	275.00	- \$0	\$	270.00	- \$0		
H2	\$	265.00	- \$0	\$	265.00	- \$0	\$	260.00	- \$0		
AUH2	\$	260.00	- \$0	\$	260.00	- \$0	\$	255.00	- \$0		
APW1	\$	260.00	- \$0	\$	260.00	- \$0	\$	255.00	- \$0		
ASW1	\$	245.00	- \$0	\$	245.00	- \$0	\$	240.00	- \$0		
AGP1	\$	230.00	- \$0	\$	230.00	- \$0	\$	225.00	- \$0		
SFW1	\$	220.00	- \$0	\$	220.00	- \$0	\$	215.00	- \$0		
FED1	\$	190.00	- \$0	\$	190.00	- \$0	\$	185.00	- \$0		

SOUTH A	UST	RALIA													
Grade	PORT ADELAIDE			PORT GILES			WALLAROO			P	ORT LINC	OLN	THEVENARD		
H1	\$	255.00	- \$0	\$	255.00	- \$0	\$	250.00	- \$0	\$	263.00	- \$0	\$	255.00	- \$0
H2	\$	245.00	- \$0	\$	245.00	- \$0	\$	240.00	- \$0	\$	250.00	- \$0	\$	245.00	- \$0
AUH2	\$	240.00	- \$0	\$	240.00	- \$0	\$	235.00	- \$0	\$	245.00	- \$0	\$	240.00	- \$0
APW1	\$	240.00	- \$0	\$	240.00	- \$0	\$	235.00	- \$0	\$	245.00	- \$0	\$	240.00	- \$0
ASW1	\$	225.00	- \$0	\$	225.00	- \$0	\$	220.00	- \$0	\$	230.00	- \$0	\$	225.00	- \$0
AGP1	\$	210.00	- \$0	\$	210.00	- \$0	\$	205.00	- \$0	\$	215.00	- \$0	\$	210.00	- \$0
SFW1	\$	200.00	- \$0	\$	200.00	- \$0	\$	195.00	- \$0	-		-	-		-
FED1	\$	170.00	- \$0	\$	170.00	- \$0	\$	165.00	- \$0	\$	175.00	- \$0	\$	170.00	- \$0

WES	WESTERN AUSTRALIA											
Grade	KWINANA			ALBANY			_	ESPERAN	ICE	GERALDTON		
H1	\$	290.00	- \$0	\$	285.00	- \$0	\$	280.00	- \$0	\$	290.00	- \$0
H2	\$	280.00	- \$0	\$	275.00	- \$0	\$	270.00	- \$0	\$	280.00	- \$0
AUH2	\$	270.00	- \$0	\$	265.00	- \$0	\$	260.00	- \$0	\$	270.00	- \$0
APW1	\$	270.00	- \$0	\$	265.00	- \$0	\$	260.00	- \$0	\$	270.00	- \$0
APW2	\$	265.00	- \$0	\$	260.00	- \$0	\$	255.00	- \$0	\$	265.00	- \$0
ASW1	\$	255.00	- \$0	\$	250.00	- \$0	\$	245.00	- \$0	\$	255.00	- \$0
AGP1	\$	240.00	- \$0	\$	235.00	- \$0	\$	230.00	- \$0	\$	240.00	- \$0
ANW1	\$	320.00	- \$0	\$	305.00	- \$0	-		-	\$	315.00	- \$0
ANW2	\$	285.00	- \$0	\$	280.00	- \$0	-		-	\$	280.00	- \$0
FED1	\$	205.00	- \$0	\$	200.00	- \$0	\$	195.00	- \$0	\$	205.00	- \$0

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