

<b>Notes for website – Broadwater CSMC 9/05/24</b>	
Estimate	Grower estimate has come in at 460,000 T (102 T/Ha) with 350,000 T 2YO (110 T/Ha) and 110,000 T 1YO (83T/Ha). Satellite estimate has come in at 444,000 T (96 T/Ha) with 338,000 T 2YO (106 T/Ha) and 107,000 T 1YO (81T/Ha). The amount of 1YO harvested will depend on field conditions.
Weather Outlook	BOM forecast is for wetter season.
Challenges	Challenges for the season include bridge restrictions and impact on trip times, supply of cane with only 7 crews operating at any one time, running out of cane in the morning and on weekends, lack of skilled people, new evaporator and fugal operators in the mill.
Transport	Based on available trucks (12) available truck capacity of 200 tph on average with a minimum of 150t/h and maximum of 310 t/hr depending on where the harvesters are. Mill will need to crush accordingly. Additional trucks would be sourced and shared between mills during the season as operational conditions allowed.
Operating Plan	Crop 460,000 T. 5/6 day hybrid. 5 days for 6 weeks to train new operators, then transition to 6 day. 6 day crush means another 12 hours of crushing each week. Start 1st July finish 6th December. 200 tph. Lost time 22%.
Bin Allocations	Based on 460,000 T crop and 200 tph rate, allocations as follows: FEDC 22, Kintail 24, WHC 37, LRRHC 44, Banks 28, Back Channel 30.
Harvesting	8 machines, 7 crews. LRRHC intend running 1 crew and 2 machines. Serious concerns about how this is going to work operationally. Agreed that a letter would be written to LRRHC expressing the committee's concern. Need to ensure cane is available from zero hour every day and need to ensure burnt cane is available every harvesting day.
Start Date	Proposed start 1st July. Preference was to bring this forward by a week if possible. Concerns about getting the SAM ready and commissioned on time. IM to investigate option of bringing start date forward 1 week.
Payment CCS	CCS set at 12.47 for initial payment purposes. The Board have approved a Cane Payment Advance Rate for the 2024 Season of \$24.54/t
Cane Analysis	New lab progressing well. Commissioning of new SAM and equipment in first few weeks of the season. Will need to run manual analysis in parallel until confident in data.
Fire Ants	Permit being finalised. Clarification required on inspection and cleaning requirements.
PAE	32ha of new PAE applied for and 43 ha to be cancelled.