



HORTICULTURAL DEVELOPMENTS

Developing a new Horticultural Development is a very complex business. The investment can be enormous, so it is essential that the process is managed with all due diligence and attention to detail.

Services Offered

- Land Suitability/Capability
- Soil Surveys
- Layout Design
- Negotiation with authorities
- Planning Issues
- Topographic Surveys
- Set out for planting
- Engineering Design – roads, water supply
- Surface & Subsurface drainage design
- G.I.S. mapping and data acquisition
- Investor map products
- Yield mapping and interpretation



Price Merrett Consulting P/L Offers:

- **Professional Service**
PMC staff are professionally qualified and trained surveyors, engineers and irrigation designers.
- **Experience**
PMC has provided quality service to the water and irrigation industry throughout South Eastern Australia for over 23 years.
- **Accreditation**
PMC staff hold appropriate certification and accreditation.
- **Independence**
PMC is not aligned with any contractors, suppliers or product line.
- **Technical Innovation**
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Government policy supports and encourages new enterprises and developments while protecting and conserving the environment. It is the responsibility of the developer to meet the standards that ensure sustainability of the development and minimize any off site impacts.

Preparation of an Irrigation Drainage and Environmental Plan (IDEP or IDMP's in some areas) is required to meet part of the standard.

In some municipalities planning requirements relating to drainage, flooding, earthworks and removal of native vegetation need to be met.

In Northern Victoria, for instance, new developments will require consultation with :-

1. Water Authority over license requirements.
2. Hydrogeologist for hydrogeology report.
3. Aboriginal Affairs Victoria regarding heritage issues.
4. Heritage Victoria for assessment and protection of historical sites.
5. Environment Protection Authority over waste management with regard to air, soil and water quality.
6. Catchment Management Authority in relation to floodplain management issues.
7. Department of Sustainability and Environment for environmental issues, particularly native vegetation, protection and enhancement.
8. Department of Primary Industries over agricultural issues and preparation of IDEP.

Following these discussions an IDEP is prepared setting out details such as:-

1. Topography
2. Soil survey and report
3. Description of proposed enterprise.
4. Surface and Subsurface drainage design.
5. Irrigation design and water supply and report.
6. Hydrogeology report.
7. Heritage protection areas and management plan.
8. Native vegetation – existing, proposed and the protection and management plan.



PRICE MERRETT CONSULTING PTY LTD HAS HAD FIRST HAND EXPERIENCE IN MANY LARGE NEW DEVELOPMENTS INVOLVING THIS PROCESS.

We know the likely hurdles that can delay your project and can advise you on the best procedure to ensure "hassle" free development.



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