

WATERMATTERS

VICTORIAN WATER INDUSTRY ASSOCIATION NEWS

Volume 12 Issue 2 Autumn 2010

INSIDE	Page
Wimmera Mallee Pipeline Celebration	1
From the CEO's Desk	2
Skills Training the Key to Business Flow	2
Wannon Water - Finalist for Premier's Sustainability Award	3
VicWater Welcomes New Staff Member	3
Forest Accord Highlights Role for Recycled Water in World Biodiversity Pledge	4
2010 Finance Issues Workshop	4
Sustainability Seminar	5
Water Bore Donated to Cann River to Help Fight Bushfires	5
Task Group Topics	6
Presentation by Professor Martin Cave – Competition in the Water Sector	7
Prison with a Water-Wise Vision	7
Trainee of the Year	8
\$5 Million Project Goes Online to Secure Wallan's Water Supply	8



VICTORIAN WATER
INDUSTRY ASSOCIATION INC.

"Innovation, Co-operation and Sustainability"

Suite 1, Level 6
2 Collins Street, Melbourne, Victoria 3000
T: (03) 9639 8868 F: (03) 9639 8860
E: vicwater@vicwater.org.au
www.vicwater.org.au

If you'd like to have an article considered for inclusion in Water Matters, email the finished article to vicwater@vicwater.org.au
Due dates: 15 January, 15 April, 15 July and 15 October or call T: (03) 9639 8868

WIMMERA MALLEE PIPELINE CELEBRATION

Thursday 15 April 2010 will be well remembered as an important date in the history of the Wimmera and Mallee regions – the day when our community came together and celebrated the change to pipe water supply for farms and towns in the region and the end of our century-old channel system.

The day provided the opportunity for the Commonwealth and Victorian Governments and GWMWater to recognise and thank the many people involved in the pipeline journey, which started almost two decades ago, and to congratulate the water customers of the region for committing and supporting the change.

The team at GWMWater should be proud of what they have achieved collectively as an organisation in successfully delivering the Wimmera Mallee Pipeline to the Grampians, Wimmera and Mallee region since GWMWater agreed to deliver the project just under four years ago.

The Project Team, under the leadership of Bruce Van Every have worked directly on the project every working minute of the day. Bruce and his team are to be wholeheartedly congratulated on their brilliant effort in managing a project of this scale and complexity, their professional conduct and the standards they have set. The many commendations they have received are well deserved.

Tribute must also be paid to the staff of the GWMWater organisation for the commitment and enthusiasm displayed in supporting the project and the Project Team. The Wimmera Mallee Pipeline has touched on almost every part of the organisation over the last four years, and the positive response and contribution from staff at all times has been critical to the success of the project. The willingness shown by so many people to come along, get involved, pitch in and lend a helping hand at the event in Horsham contributed greatly to the success of the day, and typifies the team spirit of GWMWater.

Acknowledgement and congratulations must also go to Chairman Barry Clugston, the Board of GWMWater and the members of the various governance entities involved in the Wimmera Mallee Pipeline. They have shown leadership and integrity throughout the course of the project which has ensured the Wimmera Mallee Pipeline is held in the highest regard within government, the community and the water industry.



John Brumby, Jacinta Collins, The Hon Joe Helper and Tim Holding joined GWMWater's Chairman Barry Clugston to lower the Piping It flag and raise the Piped It flag. The flag ceremony symbolised the completion of all 8,800 kms of pipe laid thus replacing 18,000 kms of open earth channels, and officially opened the Wimmera Mallee Pipeline.

“from the CEOs Chair”

Welcome to the autumn edition of Water Matters.

As we near the end of the financial year we have been working on an update of the 'Puddle' Financial Statements as a general industry guide to changes in the accounting standards over the past 12 months. We must sincerely thank PricewaterhouseCoopers for their continued help and guidance in drafting the accounts

which are of great assistance to the industry.

We are also continuing to develop the 'Strategic Vision for Water Management in Victoria' and I must thank all of the water corporation Chairs and Managing Directors for their contribution to this process.

The document is still being reviewed and the next step is to seek input from the government and other major stakeholders. We are also about to commence the development of discussion papers for the key elements of the Vision so we will be looking for further participation and comment from the industry.

Work has also commenced on the preparations for this year's annual conference with the theme "Charting our Future". The conference will be held on Thursday 2 and Friday 3 September 2010 at the Novotel Forest Resort, Creswick. We will be concentrating on corporate governance issues and will not have the technical sessions included in the past. Consequently, we will be seeking support at the conference from directors and senior managers.

Programs will be distributed in the near future and will also be available on our web site. I look forward to seeing you there.

SKILLS TRAINING THE KEY TO BUSINESS FLOW

Changes to the Victorian training system can help businesses large and small to up-skill their staff.

Signing the Victorian Skills Pledge has entitled City West Water to market itself as being recognised by the Victorian Government for its commitment to the skills development of staff. Part of the Government's major package of reforms to the Victorian training system, the Victorian Skills Pledge is a public declaration that gives businesses a range of marketing opportunities to show potential customers they are dedicated to up-skilling their staff to best-practice standards.

"City West Water are committed to developing their employees, so taking the Victorian Skills Pledge was a way of formalising that commitment," says Sophie Sigalas, City West Water's Organisational Development Manager.

Businesses that sign the Victorian Skills Pledge become eligible to apply for the prestigious Victorian Training Awards in the category of Employer of the Year, among other marketing opportunities.

More significantly, under Victoria's new demand-driven training reforms, this year's intake of places in City West Water's award-winning Technical Officer Development Program may now be eligible for accredited training subsidised by the Victorian Government.



The Victorian Training Guarantee entitles eligible students to government subsidised training through a TAFE institute, university TAFE Division, Adult Community Education organisation, or private Registered Training Organisation (RTO). If a business is looking to up-skill its employees through any of these approved providers a government subsidy will be available to help them meet the cost of their training.

The Victorian Training Guarantee provides an opportunity for businesses to share the cost of training with Government for training for the skills they need to raise productivity and innovation. It is also designed to boost the skills and capabilities of their workforce. City West Water will enter 10 trainees into

the program in 2010, in addition to the 13 from last year and have committed to train 53 in total over the next five years as part of their workforce plan. The program was developed to address the anticipated shortage of trained technical officers due to impending retirements. "That's excellent succession planning," by City West Water says Carole Petchell, Senior Commercial Manager at Victoria University, with whom City West Water developed the award winning training program.

For more information about changes to the TAFE and training system, including Skills for Growth, the Victorian Training Guarantee and the Victorian Skills Pledge, visit www.skills.vic.gov.au.

WANNON WATER - FINALIST FOR PREMIER'S SUSTAINABILITY AWARD

Wannon Water was one of three finalists in the State Government category of the 2010 Premier's Sustainability Awards.

Wannon Water was one of three finalists in the State Government category of the 2010 Premier's Sustainability Awards.

The Premier's Sustainability Awards were awarded in Melbourne on April 22. The Awards recognise innovation and outstanding achievement in the sustainable use of natural resources for the benefit of all Victorians, now and for the future.

Wannon Water Managing Director Grant Green said, "Wannon Water's entry in the Premier's Sustainability Awards told of the corporation's 'sustainability journey' and highlighted achievements that demonstrate its leadership in environmental performance in regional Victoria".

"Wannon Water has voluntarily gone 'beyond compliance' to protect and improve the environment, and the practical actions we have undertaken demonstrate the opportunities available for those willing to take up the challenge."

The Awards provide a high profile mechanism for communicating the importance of improving performance beyond traditional business boundaries. They provide key government support and endorsement for innovation, highlighting the implementation of policies and programs that deliver better environmental outcomes for the whole community.

"Wannon Water has pursued a position of regional leadership rather than follow in the footsteps of others," Mr Green said.



Wannon Water is presented as a finalist at The 2010 Premier's Sustainability Awards function

"Recognition as a finalist for the Premier's Sustainability Award confirmed that Wannon Water is at the leading edge of sustainable business practices."

Key sustainability milestones being delivered by Wannon Water include:

- Planting some 540,000 trees to capture 190,000 tonnes of CO₂e and offset 10% of Wannon Water's greenhouse emissions;
- Construction of a new five-star "green office" facility in Warrnambool;
- Construction of the innovative Warrnambool Roof Water Harvesting Project;
- Research projects to investigate the ecology of rare and threatened species on Wannon Water's land, the potential for aquaculture as a tool in treating sewage, and reshaping customer water saving attitudes;
- Energy savings of 1,340 MWh per year (equal to 4.5% of total CO₂e emissions);
- Expanding recycled water services to the Iluka Resources mineral separation plant at Hamilton, including a new agreement for brine receipt;
- Agreement to supply recycled water to the Origin Energy Mortlake Power Station and the proposed Shaw River Power Station, projects of State Significance;
- The "Living Water" initiative resulting in savings of 11 million litres of water, 2,629 MWh of electricity and 3,432 tonnes of equivalent carbon emissions; and
- Ecological burning in the Bald Hill Heathland at Portland to rehabilitate habitat for Southern Brown Bandicoots and the Portland Sand Ixodia, both EPBC-listed species.

VICWATER WELCOMES NEW STAFF MEMBER



VicWater would like to welcome their newest employee Sarah Johnston formally of East Gippsland Water. Sarah will be looking after the Finance, Sustainability, Biosolids and Water Efficiency task groups as well as being involved in some key projects undertaken by VicWater for the industry.

Sarah's background is primarily finance and customer services working as both an accountant and the Customer Services & Revenue Co-ordinator in her former position. Sarah is also the public officer for the Institute of Administration (IWA) and thus continues the strong alliance between VicWater and the IWA.

VicWater looks forward to Sarah's input to the industry and the challenges and triumphs that lie ahead.

FOREST ACCORD HIGHLIGHTS ROLE FOR RECYCLED WATER IN WORLD BIODIVERSITY PLEDGE

A landmark agreement to protect 35 hectares of the significant volcanic plains woodlands of Pinkerton Forest near Melton highlights the important role municipal recycled water plants can play in rehabilitating local waterways and rebuilding biodiversity anchors across Victorian landscapes.

Western Water and Melton Council are celebrating a new working partnership, which is based on giving planning scheme protection to this special remnant forest, as well as recognising the role of Pinkerton Landcare and Environment Group (PLEG) "in protecting and enhancing this special place as an environmental asset of local and state significance.

"This landmark agreement has come about because of Western Water's commitment over many years to putting best practice environmental management into its local partnerships," Western Water Board Chairman Terry Larkins said.

"This is a great result for local biodiversity action in the International Year of Biodiversity.

"When Western Water joined forces with PLEG in 1994, Pinkerton Forest was in a very marginal situation; it had been overgrazed; people struggled with weed infestations and then there was drought," he said.

"Now it is protected by law in the local planning scheme and in practice; its



Pinkerton farming family descendent Mrs Noel Fethers joined PLEG president Richard Rowe and Western Water Board Chairman Terry Larkins at an old family grave site in the now protected Pinkerton Forest near Melton.

good management has ensured there is a long-term focus on restoring its health and advancing its role as a significant biodiversity asset for the Melton region."

Mr Larkins said Pinkerton Forest's position alongside the Werribee River escarpment at Melton South made it pivotal to both waterways and land based revegetation projects in the area.

"Last year Western Water committed \$100,000 and received a grant for \$34,000 under the State Government's Vision for Werribee Plains program for the rehabilitation of an old sludge paddock used for disposing of liquid biosolids for about 30 years until this practice was stopped and capital investments were made in plant upgrades at Melton to dewater biosolids," he said.

"This old sludge paddock is located between Pinkerton Forest and another major community reforestation and revegetation project, which is known as Bush's Paddock and is also a significant remnant bush site."

"Revegetation of the sludge paddock is going very well and will eventually exhaust the nutrient build-up caused by years of disposal of liquid biosolids," Mr Larkins said.

The Victorian Government has made a \$10 million investment in the Western Plains Vision over recent years for landscape and waterways projects throughout Melbourne's western growth corridor projects to safeguard old forest and grasslands and rehabilitate the waterways and catchments of the Werribee River.

2010 FINANCE ISSUES WORKSHOP



Michael Wheelahan from the Office of Water presenting at the Workshop

The workshop was held on the 20 and 21 May 2010 at Four Points by Sheraton Geelong.

This year's workshop was a great success with over 100 people in attendance. Running over 2 days the workshop dealt with a wide range of issues including various departmental updates, Vision Super, Tax, Capital Delivery and Pricing, Fleet and Procurement policy as well as some major Capital projects updates and finally an introduction into cloud computing.

A big thank you to all of the sponsors of this year's event, as without the sponsors these events do not occur at such reasonable rates.

The workshop once again provided a great opportunity for Finance managers to be kept up to date with relevant issues within the industry, especially so close to the end of Financial year, as well as an invaluable opportunity for networking to gain key contacts within the industry.

SUSTAINABILITY SEMINAR



Mr ONG Kee Wee, PUB Singapore.

The 2010 VicWater Sustainability seminar once again proved a major success with 122 in attendance and registrations having to close due to such high demand.

The keynote address by Mr ONG Key Wee from PUB in Singapore, gave a thought provoking presentation about Singapore's use of 'Used water' to make it 'NEWater' citing the multitude of uses as well as the environmental benefits.

The survey results from the participants indicated that 22% of the attendees rated the day as 'excellent' and 62% of attendees found the day to be 'very good'- a very

pleasing result and a demonstration of the industry's commitment to Sustainability.

In line with the theme the event was BYO pads, pens and name tags. The offset of the environmental footprint caused by attendance at the event is achieved by providing a sustainability pack to a group of young children, who will help educate their families and friends on the sustainability message.

Once again thanks to all who attended and we hope it inspired you to become leaders in sustainability in your businesses, communities and homes.

WATER BORE DONATED TO CANN RIVER TO HELP FIGHT BUSHFIRES

East Gippsland Water has donated one of its water bores and a pump station to the people of Cann River to help strengthen the defence of the town against future threats from bushfires.

The bore had become surplus to East Gippsland Water's needs. Remembering the bushfires that threatened Cann River just months ago, it was decided to refurbish and donate the bore to the town rather than permanently remove it from service. Located in a caravan park owned by East Gippsland Shire Council, it comes complete with a new water storage tank.

East Gippsland Water's Managing Director, Les Mathieson said "we're delighted to be able to assist the people of Cann River in this way and have been working closely with East Gippsland Shire Council, the DSE and CFA to make it happen. It's great to see our water bore being given a new, very worthy lease of life helping to protect the town against bushfires and other emergencies."

The bore, pump station and water storage tank will be maintained by East Gippsland Shire Council on behalf of the local community and will be available for use during emergencies by DSE and CFA fire crews.

East Gippsland Shire Council CEO, Steve Kozlowski, welcomed the initiative and said it would provide reassurance for the people of Cann River.

"We are very pleased to join East Gippsland Water in this project and thank them for this invaluable donation to boost community safety," he said.



It's all systems go for Cann River's latest water defence against bushfires. Pictured front row (L - R) - East Gippsland Water's MD Les Mathieson and East Gippsland Shire Council's CEO Steve Kozlowski. Pictured back row (L - R) - DSE Forest & Fire Officer for Cann River, Ross Cutlack and Captain Ian Brownlie, Cann Valley CFA.

TASK GROUP TOPICS

Finance Issues Steering Committee

The recent Finance Issues Workshop stimulated much debate and provided informative discussion of relevant issues in the Finance industry especially with end of financial year so close.

The Puddle accounts, as prepared by PricewaterhouseCoopers, have been released to the Finance Managers. There are no significant changes in the accounts apart from a new statement of comprehensive income. The accounts have been approved by VAGO and were recently released to the industry.

The revaluation exercise is still progressing and Denis Riordan, Valuer General's Office attended the Finance Issues Workshop to give a status update on the progress. As at May 2010 the 2 indices used for the revaluation process would indicate that the adjustment is not required due to immateriality. The Building and Construction Victoria indice has increased 2.67% and the Non-Building Construction indice has increased 1.16%. Both of these are based on figures for March 09/10, they will again be assessed when the June result is released to determine if any adjustment needs to be made.

Sustainability Task Group

The STG held its annual Sustainability Seminar on the 6th May 2010. The day was a huge success with 122 people in attendance.

The quarterly Sustainability News was also released on 3rd May to over 700 recipients across the industry.

Following the release of FRD 30, the GRI workshop has been put on hold. All staff that have been involved have received a letter advising of the effects of FRD 30, and an explanation as to why the workshop has been suspended for the time being. The STG will continue to have a focus developing and refining suitable indicators for the industry however the workshop will not proceed until further notice.

Water Efficiency Task Group

The Water Efficiency Task Group has its next meeting scheduled for the 9th June at DSE. In attendance will be Helen Delaporte from DSE to present on the WaterSmart behaviour change program. The Five Star House Water consumption evaluation, as prepared by South East Water, has also been distributed for comment by the group. This report evaluated the water savings by households for rain water tanks to quantify the savings reported by the Building Commission.

Water Educators Task Group

The VWETG met on the 22 April with the main outcomes from the meeting being:

- To encourage the Educators Network to attend the 2011 AWA Water Educator's Conference; to encourage them to submit abstracts for consideration for the conference; and to encourage them

to indicate interest in participating on the Conference's organising committee.

- The Regional WLiLi will be available in hard copy and CD copy and will be coordinated through VicWater. In the longer term, it is planned to make the resource available on line and the costs associated with making this available will be incorporated into the print run costs.
- A "letter of introduction" is to be sent to stakeholders with an education focus on an annual basis. This letter will serve to introduce the group and encourage the stakeholders to share information with the Educators Network via an email link available on the VicWater website.

Biosolids Task Group

The Biosolids task group met on the 29th April. The group have identified a discrepancy in the definition of biosolids used by the ESC. Consequently, the group plan to meet with the ESC to discuss the definition discrepancy further. This will avoid further confusion and ensure that the focus remains on using the Biosolids stockpiles.

The project plan for the Biosolids guideline review will now be presented by the EPA at the next meeting in late June.

TRAINING AND OH&S MATTERS

The OH&S Network held a very successful Seminar on 19 March with over 30 participants.

Included was a presentation by the Victorian Spatial Council on the ways in which information on the location of assets can be shared by participating organisations. There was also an engaging group discussion on issues around Confined Space Entry following recent communications from WorkSafe.

Thanks to Tony Smith and the OH&S Task Group for organising the event and the MAV for providing the venue. Thanks also to East Gippsland Water for sponsoring lunch for the participants.

2010 VICWATER ANNUAL CONFERENCE
2 AND 3 SEPTEMBER 2010 – NOVOTEL FOREST RESORT CRESWICK

PRESENTATION BY PROFESSOR MARTIN CAVE – COMPETITION IN THE WATER SECTOR

Professor Martin Cave addressed a small group from the water industry on Tuesday the 4th May. He is Professor and Director of the Centre for Management under Regulation, Warwick Business School and specialises in regulatory economics. He provided a great insight into the regulatory world of the UK.

The session was relaxed and informal which stimulated lots of questions and in turn discussions around the inherent complexities of water management. It also highlighted the fact the Victoria is well in front when it comes to all facets of water supply and delivery.

Martin provided an overview into what the UK face now in order to secure a water grid when staring down the barrel of climate change - that they do not seem to be aware of!



Overall an insightful snap shot into the challenges faced for innovation and completion of the UK, Scottish and Welsh markets. A big thanks to Bruce Cohen from the Grattan Institute for organising this presentation in conjunction with VicWater.

PRISON WITH A WATER-WISE VISION

Established in 1988, Tarrengower is the only minimum security female prison in Victoria. Situated about 40 km to the south of Bendigo, it is one of Coliban Water's major business customers.

In 2007/2008 the H M Prison Tarrengower used 11,152 kilolitres (11.152 megalitres) of water, and as a result the site was required to complete a WaterMAP. Engaging in the development of Water Management Action Plan led to many water saving measures being implemented at Tarrengower Prison. They include water harvesting, flow reduction, shower timer installation and switching to front loading washing machines. As part of its waterMAP actions in 2008, the prison also replaced their showerheads with more efficient ones provided by Coliban Water.

As a result, Tarrengower Prison has almost halved its annual water consumption. The switch to using front loading washing machines alone has saved 600 kilolitres

of water for the Prison. The reduction in water consumption has seen a significant decrease in waste water output as well. This has set an example and has provided the Prison with impetus for future environment conservation efforts such as reducing carbon emissions, establishing a wildlife corridor and educating prisoners. The Department of Justice has played a vital role in providing funding opportunities for the environmentally friendly measures taken at Tarrengower

Tarrengower Prison has proactively sought opportunities to reduce its reliance on mains water. The new harvesting system has successfully achieved this. Water is harvested off approximately 2,200 square metres of roof space and collected in 'Heritage', 'Rhino' and Multi Purpose Centre (MPC) tanks. Having total water storage of over 600 kilolitres, the Prison facility is mainly using harvested water. About 60% of total water consumed at the site is used in toilets, showers and accommodation. The Laundry uses about 25% and outdoor

watering about 5%. Harvested rain water is ideal for the site's toilets, laundry, livestock and irrigation.

The prison aims to further reduce water consumption by installing a water recycling unit and trialling drought tolerant pastures. Will Dodson, the prison officer taking care of the environmental portfolio, is very keen on making the Prison a more environmentally sustainable site. He advised that the water consumption through rain water tanks is regularly monitored through water meters and keyed into a database. He says, "This has not only provided work for prisoners, but has also instilled a sense of water conservation in them". In May 2009, as part of Coliban's water conservation efforts, Managing Director Gavin Hanlon gave a presentation to the prisoners. The presentation was another way to educate on water security and water conservation, to assist prisoners to prepare and integrate back into the community. Practices implemented at the prison are evidence that small things can make a huge impact.

TRAINEE OF THE YEAR

In recent times, three 'us' Trainees have received 'Trainee of the Year' awards from Chisholm Institute. At a recent awards ceremony, Thiess Trainee Paul Dadds was presented with his Trainee of the Year Award and a cheque for \$200, by Paul O'Brien (representing the Victorian Water Industry Association).

This is an excellent personal achievement for Paul and another success story for Thiess and 'us' - Utility Services.

About the Traineeship Program:

Trainees nominate to undertake the Water Industry Traineeship (Certificate II in Water Industry Operations), supported by 'us' - Utility Services. The Traineeship was established in 2000 and has run successfully for the past 10 years - over that time there have 31 Trainees undertake the program with 20 graduates still employed within the alliance/contract. This is an excellent result and provides

career opportunity for a substantial number of young people. The program underpins industry skills and knowledge and helps counter the effects of natural attrition caused by an aging workforce.

The program requires a 12 Month commitment from each Trainee, during which time they will undergo 10 Weeks formal 'Off the Job' training at Chisholm Institute. This is conducted in one week blocks and spread over an eight month period. 'Off the Job' training is applied in the workplace by a scheduled rotation through the Water, Sewerage and Construction divisions of our alliance, maximising the opportunity for exposure to all facets of the work undertaken.



From left to right: Peter Cations, Paul Dadds, Paul O'Brien.

In addition to the completing of the required Units of Competency, additional training is provided to allow Trainees to obtain Plant Operator Certification, First Aid and Confined Space Entry - the combination of the required curriculum and the additional competencies position Trainees well for appointment at the end of their program.

\$5 MILLION PROJECT GOES ONLINE TO SECURE WALLAN'S WATER SUPPLY

Yarra Valley Water's two-year, \$5 million project to construct a 10 million litre water storage tank in Wallan is now complete, and is already being used to supply quality drinking water to township homes and businesses.

Tony Kelly, Managing Director Yarra Valley Water says the project was primarily designed to improve water quality, secure the reliability of Wallan's water supply, and allow for population growth into the future.

'The primary water storage facility in Wallan used to be the Pretty Sally Reservoir. Due to security and water quality concerns associated with operating the open basin, we decided to decommission the reservoir and build a 10 million litre steel tank in its place -in fact right on the footprint of the old basin,' says Mr Kelly.

'Pretty Sally was being supplied by the

Sunday Creek System which at the time was rapidly depleting. This new solution allows Wallan to share in Melbourne's more secure water supply.

'The new tank is filled via Melbourne's Mt Ridley Reservoir and began supplying Wallan's water in late April. It means improved water quality protection and sufficient supply to service Wallan's needs well into the future.'

During construction, potable water was supplied to Wallan via a temporary 600,000 litre steel storage tank installed at the reservoir site, also filled from Mt Ridley; Mr Kelly says that transition between the temporary tank and the new tank, which provides 15 times the water storage capacity, had no affect on customers.

Prior to building the new tank, Yarra Valley Water undertook extensive consultation with the community, Mitchell Shire Council and

other key stakeholders; and also carried out numerous environmental impact studies.

'This \$5 million project, which rolled out according to plan and on budget, demonstrates Yarra Valley Water's commitment to providing our customers with a secure, reliable, high quality water supply,' says Mr Kelly.

'We made a commitment when we took over Wallan's water supply in January 2006 that we would improve water quality and security of supply, and we've honoured this commitment.

The project also reinforces the benefits of being able to move water between urban and rural areas which will be further enhanced by the establishment of a state wide water grid. It means we can provide water where it's needed most, in this case from Melbourne to Wallan.'

This publication was printed on Australian made Tudor 100% recycled fibre. Inks used are vegetable based, and mineral oil free.