

Goldenfields Water Farewells General Manager

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Goldenfields Water will farewell General Manager Phillip Rudd at the end of the year after almost two years leading the delivery of essential water supply services for over 46,000 people in the South West Slopes and Riverina regions.

Mr Rudd has accepted a new leadership role in local government based on the NSW Far North Coast.

Goldenfields Water County Council Chairperson Dennis Palmer said Mr Rudd's decision to leave was a bittersweet moment for the organisation.

"Mr Rudd's know-how, vision and passion will be sorely missed by the Board, staff and wider community," Councillor Palmer said.

"In leading the organisation out of a challenging period, he has provided the clear and strong direction needed to deliver one of our region's most important pieces of infrastructure.

"Under Mr Rudd's guidance, Goldenfields Water has embraced new technology and innovative solutions to establish itself as a water industry leader focused on ensuring the many communities that depend on us receive the level of service they deserve.

"He is a highly sought after local government leader and his new role is a rare opportunity too good to pass up," he said.

During Mr Rudd's tenure Goldenfields Water successfully achieved a number of community-focused initiatives such as becoming the first NSW water utility to set up *MyH2O* for its customers, starting construction of the long-awaited \$10.9 million Mandamah Rural Water Supply Scheme and providing residents with access to free drinking water refill stations.

"It has been a privilege to serve the many local communities that call the South West Slopes and Riverina regions home," Mr Rudd added.

"The chance to work alongside Goldenfields Water's dedicated and professional team has also been a pleasure. I am very grateful for their ongoing support and tireless efforts over the past two years.

"Although my decision to leave has been a difficult one to make, I am excited about the direction Goldenfields Water is headed and confident it will continue to deliver the quality water supply services the community deserves."

Mr Rudd's last day will be Friday 22 December 2017.

The Goldenfields Water Board will ensure the appropriate interim arrangements are in place while a new General Manager is recruited.

Phillip Rudd
General Manager