



More free tap water set to flow to the community

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Goldenfields Water is continuing to give the community more access to free drinking water, with another eight refill stations recently donated to local councils.

Sixteen drinking water refill stations have now been supplied to Bland, Coolamon, Junee, Temora, Cootamundra-Gundagai, Narrandera and Hilltops councils in the last two years.

General Manager of Goldenfields Water Phillip Rudd said the refill stations were an important tool for promoting the benefits of choosing tap water over bottled water.

"We source the region's tap water from protected natural water catchments and ensure it undergoes a world-class treatment process.

"The refill stations make it easy for residents and visitors to enjoy our fresh, quality drinking water for free when they are out and about.

"Given most disposable plastic bottle waste ends up in landfills and bottled water is over 500 times the price of tap water, encouraging people to refill reusable bottles saves them money

and benefits the environment," Mr Rudd said.

The two-metre high stations include a water bottle refill, hygienic drinking fountain and a dog bowl.

Each local council will now install the additional stations in popular public spaces.

"Goldenfields Water has also committed to supply eight water refill stations each year to our constituent councils for the next three years," Mr Rudd added.

"The ongoing donation of these stations is just one of many major initiatives set out in our inaugural community engagement strategy."

A copy of the full Goldenfields Water Community Engagement Strategy for 2017–2021 can be found at www.gwcc.nsw.gov.au.

Phillip Rudd General Manager