

Customer Newsletter

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West Wyalong Water Reliability Project Official Opening

On Monday 11th December 2023, local community members, students and teachers from West Wyalong's St Mary's War Memorial School and staff from Goldenfields Water and Bland Shire Council joined the Hon. Michael McCormack MP, Federal Member for Riverina and Ms Stephanie Cooke MP, Member for Cootamundra to celebrate the official opening of the West Wyalong Water Reliability Project.

The project commenced in September 2022 and was completed by December 2023. The project was originally budgeted at \$13.7M, however due to good project management and undertaking some of the works in house, the final project investment is set to be \$12.5M.

The project included:

- 2.6 megalitre reservoir
- 8 kilometres of water supply trunk main
- 7 kilometres of distribution water main
- Pump station

Project's interesting facts include:

- The height of the reservoir is 24.6 metres high
- The total amount of steel used for the project equates to approximately 8 semitrucks
- The total amount of concrete used for the project equates to approximately 145 concrete trucks

The benefits of the West Wyalong Water Reliability Project to the local community is enormous. Some of these benefits will include:

- Improved water flow and pressure by up to 40 percent in parts of the township

- Allowing for future growth and prosperity of the region
- Increased water security not only for our current customers, but for generations to come

This project wouldn't have been possible without the partnership between the State, Federal and Local Governments. A sincere thank you to Federal Member for Riverina The Hon. Mr McCormack and Member for Cootamundra Ms Stephanie Cooke for their ongoing support and commitment in helping Goldenfields Water secure critical funding for the project, including \$5 million through the National Water Grid Connections pathway.

In addition to the above, Bland Shire Council directed their funding allocation of \$2.65 million from the New South Wales Government Resources for Regions Fund towards the project and contributed an additional \$800,000. Goldenfields Water committed a further \$5.25 million to ensure this project was possible.



Cr Stadtmiller and Cr Callow re-elected



The Goldenfields Water Board held their first meeting of 2024 on Monday 22nd January to elect Council's Chairperson and Deputy Chairperson.

The Board re-elected Cr Matthew Stadtmiller as Chairperson and Cr Bob Callow as Deputy chairperson.

Cr Stadtmiller was honoured to remain as Goldenfields Water's Chairperson, stating he was looking forward to continue working with the Board and staff for the next term.

Successful 'Tradie Day' for school students

At the end of 2023, Goldenfields Water hosted several schools for their annual 'Careers Day.'

These sessions involved students rotating around different stations to learn about different trades and careers available in the water industry.

Aimed at year 9 & 10 students, we had a great range of ages come along for the sessions and students were excited to get some hands-on experience, trialling various machines and tools that our tradesman use on a daily basis.

Goldenfields Water will host another 'Tradie Day' in May. To register your school or community groups interest, please email communityengagement@gwcc.nsw.gov.au



Recognising our local students

As part of our Community Engagement Strategy, each year Goldenfields Water makes a donation to every school and preschool located within our supply area.

This donation goes towards purchasing an award to recognise a student for their hard work and dedication towards their studies.




In 2023, Goldenfields Water donated a total of \$13 000 to over 65 schools and preschools right across our service area.

Goldenfields Water are proud to be able to support our community's younger generation and look forward to continuing our annual school partnership for many years to come.



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