

# INFORMATION *Flow*



## YOUR FEEDBACK INVITED

We would like to hear your valuable feedback about the Torrens Pipeline Project to help shape our approach to future projects.

To provide feedback, simply fill out the attached feedback form, fold, seal and pop it in the post before Christmas.

If you would like more copies of feedback forms email: [torrenspipeline@sawater.com.au](mailto:torrenspipeline@sawater.com.au) or visit the project page on [www.sawater.com.au](http://www.sawater.com.au)

## OTHER MAJOR SA WATER PROJECTS

SA Water is currently working on some other major projects as part of the South Australian Government's 4 way strategy to secure water for the future:

- desalination
- reuse
- catchments
- managing use

### Adelaide Desalination Project

The Adelaide Desalination Project will provide Adelaide with one-quarter of its annual water use and is a climate-independent source, providing us with the insurance we need against future climate variability.

It is expected the first water will be delivered from the plant in December 2010.

### Glenelg to Adelaide Park Lands Recycled Water Project

This State and Federal Government funded project will provide more than 3.8 billion litres of high quality recycled water annually primarily to irrigate the Adelaide Park Lands. It will be piped underground from Glenelg to the Adelaide Park Lands and CBD and will reduce our dependence on other water sources, including the River Murray. Construction started in September 2008 with the first recycled water planned to be available for use in the Park Lands by mid 2010.

### Virginia Angle Vale Reuse Extension

The Virginia scheme was established in 1999 and distributes about 15 billion litres per year of highly treated reclaimed water from the Bolivar Wastewater Treatment Plant to irrigators in the Virginia area north of Adelaide. An extension of this scheme is currently being constructed including a pumping station and more than 20 kilometres of pipelines. The project will increase the reuse from the Bolivar Wastewater Treatment Plant from about 29% to 35%. Construction started in July 2008 and it is expected the project will be commissioned in early 2009.

## OTHER MAJOR SA WATER PROJECTS

## TORRENS PIPELINE PROJECT

DECEMBER 2008

## FURTHER INFORMATION

To find out more about our projects:

- **phone** the SA Water Customer Contact Centre on 1800 812 362 or
- **visit** [www.sawater.com.au](http://www.sawater.com.au)

To find out more about our H<sub>2</sub>OME Rebates Scheme and current water restrictions contact our Water Restrictions Hotline on 1800 130 952.

### Welcome to the final Information Flow newsletter regarding the Torrens Pipeline Project.

We would like to extend our sincere thanks to you, the local community of Highbury and Athelstone, for your patience while this work

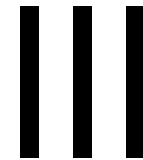
was undertaken. We also thank users of the River Torrens Linear Park for abiding with access arrangements during construction.

The completion of the Torrens Pipeline Project delivers on a major infrastructure strategy outlined in Water Proofing Adelaide.



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## 40,000 SEEDLINGS PLANTED

As part of the Torrens Pipeline Project SA Water invested an additional \$200,000 into the area for natural habitat restoration, far exceeding our planting requirements following construction under the *Native Vegetation Act*.

SA Water recently completed planting 40,000 seedlings in the Linear Park and aqueduct reserve land.

The plantings were targeted across a number of areas:

- 12 sites within the aqueduct reserve
- 7 sites in the Linear Park at Highbury
- 14 sites in the Linear Park at Athelstone
- 6 river crossing sites
- 1 site on SA Water land downstream of the Torrens Gorge Weir

While the challenge of keeping these plants alive is heightened during the current drought, we will continue to keep a watch on the plantings to ensure the rehabilitation is fitting in with our plans and those of the local councils.

During discussion with the local councils prior to construction it was deemed mulched beds with tree, shrub and understory plants at selected locations was the most sustainable option for revegetation. Given this, some turf areas have been replaced with mulched landscape beds to enhance the amenity and reduce the number of areas reliant on mains water.

The biodiversity of the Torrens Linear Park in the Highbury and Athelstone area will also benefit from the diverse array of local indigenous plants used in all landscaping. One example will be the increase in habitat for the Blue Wren found in the area.



## NATIONAL TREE DAY

### NATIONAL TREE DAY - SA WATER AND CITY OF TEA TREE GULLY JOIN FORCES

On Sunday 27 July 2008, in the Linear Park at Highbury, more than 200 community members planted seedlings collected from the local area as part of the Linear Park rehabilitation.

Many hands made light work and around 700 seedlings were in the ground with SA Water tree guards in place before the tasty BBQ lunch was served.

City of Tea Tree Gully Mayor Miriam Smith and SA Water Chief Executive Anne Howe joined in the activity with their green thumbs and it was great to see so many children participating.

The location of the planting was just off Historic Drive adjacent the park so if you were there keep an eye out for your tree over the coming years. Thanks to everyone who participated.



## REINSTATEMENT AND AQUEDUCT LAND

### FUTURE OF THE AQUEDUCT LAND

The major decommissioning work on the aqueduct reserve is complete and the course of the old aqueduct channel has been shaped.

While our contractors have done some initial work shaping the aqueduct land for public access, the area will remain inaccessible until appropriate risk management studies have been undertaken and actioned by Planning SA.

SA Water will address appropriate easement, construction and land management issues however the ongoing management of the land will be determined by the new owner.

The land is protected from sale to a private entity by the *River Torrens Linear Park Bill 2006*.

### PROJECT FACTS

Did you know:

- The Torrens pipeline is a mild steel cement lined pipeline
- With a diameter of 1829mm it is the largest diameter pipeline in the SA Water network
- The pipeline feeds the Hope Valley Reservoir
- Water from the Hope Valley Reservoir serves around 18% of Adelaide
- Construction started in May 2007
- The reservoir started receiving water through the pipeline in June 2008

# EVALUATION FORM

*Torrens Pipeline Project*

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To help shape our approach to future projects simply fill in the fields below, fold up, seal with tape and send back to us. Thanks for your feedback.

**Which of the following describes you?** (Tick as many as applicable)

- local resident
  local business owner
  environment group member  
 Linear Park user
  community group member  
 other (please specify) \_\_\_\_\_

**1. How did you first find out about the project?**

- community group
  newspaper
  newsletter  
 letter
  shopping centre display
  SA Water website  
 word of mouth
  other \_\_\_\_\_

**2. What do you think worked well regarding construction?**

- Construction corridor
  Rehabilitation of the Linear Park
  Rehabilitation of the aqueduct land  
 minimal water supply interruptions
  traffic management
  pipeline route  
 hours of work
  Linear Park access  
 other (please describe) \_\_\_\_\_

**3. During construction of the pipeline, what do you think could have been done differently and why?**

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**4. Do you think the Information Flow newsletter was effective?**

- Yes  
 No

Why \_\_\_\_\_

**5. If you requested more information at any time did you: (tick as many as appropriate)**

- visit the SA Water website
  email torrenspipeline@sawater.com.au
  call the projects hotline 1800 812 362  
 speak to someone on site
  contact someone from SA Water
  contact the local council

**6. Do you think our communication materials – signage, letters, advertisements were effective?**

- Yes  
 No

Why \_\_\_\_\_

**7. Other comments on the project (attach more pages if you need more room) or email your comments to torrenspipeline@sawater.com.au**

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