

Media Release

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Lance Creek Water Connection - Preparing for Pipeline Construction Lance Creek to Korumburra

Pipeline construction for the region's most significant water security project is commencing.

The Lance Creek Water Connection is a key Victorian Government project to be delivered by South Gippsland Water that will secure the water supply needs of Korumburra, Poowong, Loch and Nyora over the next 50 years.

South Gippsland Water Managing Director Philippe du Plessis said, "These towns have experienced staged water restrictions in recent times and current water storages do not have the capacity to meet demand into the future."

"The pipeline will connect Korumburra, Poowong, Loch and Nyora with South Gippsland Water's largest reservoir, Lance Creek, which is also connected to the Melbourne Water Supply System."

Preliminary work has already begun at the Lance Creek Water Treatment Plant where a pump station is to be constructed.

Subject to favourable weather conditions, works for pipeline construction will begin in the Jumbunna area around 18th September, with crews from Jaydo Construction initially working northward adjacent to Korumburra-Wonthaggi Road.

With pipe scheduled for delivery to lay-down sites in mid-October, crews will be focussing on preparing the construction corridor over the coming weeks by constructing access points off Korumburra-Wonthaggi Road, carrying out fencing, survey works and commencing earthworks.

The local community should be aware that the works will increase large vehicle traffic along the Korumburra-Wonthaggi Road, initially affecting the section between Jumbunna and Korumburra.

Much of the work occurring on this section of the pipeline will be visible from the road and large trucks will be entering and existing the construction corridor off Korumburra-Wonthaggi Road. Traffic management controls will be in place to minimise disruption and maximise safety, and motorists are advised to allow extra time in their journey.

Both South Gippsland Water and Jaydo Construction will endeavour to keep disruption to local land owners and those travelling along the Korumburra-Wonthaggi Road to a minimum.

To find out more about the Lance Creek Water Connection and to receive regular updates, visit the Project page at www.sgwater.com.au. Also follow us on Facebook and Twitter @SthGippsWater.

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