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## Ensuring Clean, Safe Water for Leongatha

As part of our commitment to high quality, safe, clean drinking water and reliable services, South Gippsland Water will shortly begin works to upgrade elements of Leongatha's Water Treatment Plant at Harvey's Road, Ruby.

The works will include upgrading the chlorination system, chlorination controls and disinfection to include a UV (Ultraviolet Light) system. The works aim to ensure water is effectively treated and disinfected before being supplied to customers in Leongatha.

When treating water so that it is safe to drink, we aim to maintain a high level of disinfection, but only use the minimum amount of treatment chemicals. This ensures water is safe, but also that the water has a pleasant taste and smell. Upgrading the disinfection system will allow our Water Treatment Team greater control of the disinfection process, but also add a new element of disinfection that does not require additional chemicals, rather a UV light provides an additional treatment process.

Managing Director, South Gippsland Water, Philippe du Plessis said that, "Upgrades to Leongatha's Water Treatment Plant will ensure high quality, safe clean drinking water and is part of a suite of upgrades being planned across treatment plants. The Price, Services, Future Plan which runs from 2020 to 2023, includes investment into disinfection systems at Leongatha, along with disinfection reliability upgrades for Toora and improved filter monitoring and compliance systems for Meeniyan. It also includes new liners to 6 treated water storages at various locations across the region".

Construction at Leongatha's Water Treatment Plant at Harvey's Road, Ruby will start in late June, with contractor Aquatech Maxcon completing the works. It is anticipated the water treatment plant will be a hive of activity between June and December.

For queries, questions or to discuss the project, contact the Project Officer, Justin Tile on 1300 851 636.