

South Gippsland Water unveils new pump station

South Gippsland Water is excited to announce a new major, more environmentally sustainable pump station in Wonthaggi, which distributes drinking water to Wonthaggi and Cape Paterson.

Water is drawn from Lance Creek where it has undergone treatment, then flows to the Wonthaggi low-level basin via gravity, before being pumped to townships for use.

South Gippsland Water's Senior Site Supervisor, Dean DeMenech, said the upgraded pump system improves our response to unforeseeable circumstances such as power outages and mains breaks.

"The pump station was upgraded with five brand new power efficient pumps and a new generator in case of power outages. The new pump system is safer to operate, more reliable and kinder to the environment. It also allows for multiple different operating scenarios including the ability to operate the Wonthaggi township water supply network system with the Wonthaggi water tower offline. With this new pump station in operation, it has also made it possible to eliminate the old Cape Paterson pump station, improving system reliability further" he said.

Acting Managing Director, Mark Lynch, said that the development of the upgraded pump system is thanks to South Gippsland Water's ongoing commitment to providing reliable water services to our towns.

"Our purpose is to provide sustainable water services that are essential to the prosperity and wellbeing of our two communities and natural environments. This \$1.5 million investment helps ensure reliable supply of drinking water to Wonthaggi and Cape Patterson, in a more sustainable way."

