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First Step Towards the Lance Creek Water Connection

The first step in South Gippsland Water's water security project to connect the Coalition Creek Water Supply System (Korumburra) and the Little Bass Water Supply System (Poowong, Loch and Nyora) to the Lance Creek Reservoir and the Melbourne Supply System was completed last week.

The successful commissioning of the Delivery Point 5 valve station and the transfer pipeline connections at the Powlett River and Lance Creek Reservoir have been recently completed. These works will allow for water stored within the pipeline between Cardinia Reservoir and the delivery point to be transferred to the Lance Creek Reservoir.

The townships of Wonthaggi, Inverloch and Cape Paterson that are currently connected to the Lance Creek Reservoir now have a non-rain dependent, secure water supply, thanks to the access to the Melbourne Supply System.

South Gippsland Water was successful in receiving \$30M of State Government in May 2016 for the Lance Creek Water Connection. The project is a key component in South Gippsland Water's long-term strategy to secure water supply for the region over the next 50 years.

The next step in this project involves the alignment of the Lance Creek to Poowong pipelines; landholders adjacent to and effected by these works are currently being identified and will be contacted in the near future.

South Gippsland Water Managing Director Philippe du Plessis said today, "This is the first step in a three-year project to secure water for the townships of Korumburra, Poowong, Loch and Nyora. The project will provide a dependable environment for community development, economic growth and future investment,"

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Melbourne Supply System water flows into Lance Creek Reservoir.







Commissioning of DP5 valve which connects Lance Creek Reservoir to the Desalination Plant and Melbourne Water Supply System.

