

Southern Wimmera & Northeast Pyrenees Water Supply



Introduction

The Southern Wimmera and Northeast Pyrenees Water Supply feasibility study covers an area of interest between Glenorchy and Marnoo to the west and Bung Bong and Bealiba in the east comprising some 354,219 hectares.

The introduction of a piped supply would help underpin agricultural and viticultural activities, increase productivity, support water supplies to urban centres and could also provide significant environmental benefits to the region.

The feasibility study has been made possible by funding of \$300,000 from the Victorian Government through a grant to the Pyrenees Shire Council under the Investment Fast-Track Fund.

Pyrenees Shire Council requested that GWMWater facilitate the development of the feasibility study into the business case, assuming it would be an extension of our rural pipeline network if the project advances.

Project Status

After completing a series of public events and drop in sessions across the region throughout October 2023 to bring the community up-to-date, consultants have been engaged to complete a detailed business case. The business case is to be used by key stakeholders to target funding to deliver the project, which is estimated to cost \$160 million.

Updates to the project will be provided through this newsletter, or by checking the project website at gwmwater.org.au/swnep-study

Next Steps

The business case and related investigations to develop the project remain on track to be finalised by mid-2024.

While the business case is under development, we encourage landholders who have not already expressed an interest, and want a more secure water supply, to get in touch with us.

Expressions of interest from landholders will help inform the engineering design of the water supply. Expressions of interest are non-binding.

Expressions of interest can be lodged via:

Website:

gwmwater.org.au/swnep-study

or by contacting GWMWater directly by:

Email:

info@gwmwater.org.au

Phone:

1300 659 961 during business hours.

A map of the proposed Southern Wimmera Northeast Pyrenees Water Supply area is located over the page.

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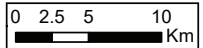


North East Pyrenees - Proposed Rural Water Supply Project



Legend

- Town/Localities
- Major Waterways
- Major Roads
- Existing Water Supply Mains
- Proposed Areas
- Local Government Areas
- Study Area



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