

COMMUNITY UPDATE – SOUTHERN SEAWATER DESALINATION PLANT

This is the fourth in a regular series of articles, news and other matters of interest involving the new seawater desalination plant that will be built at Taranto Road. It will complement our community newsletters and other communications.

Desalination – an important piece of the drying climate puzzle

Under the Water Corporation's *Security through Diversity* strategy, we are working towards developing new climate-independent water sources, better managing, using and re-using our existing water resources and undertaking new water-conservation initiatives.

Although it is only one of a range of new water source, conservation and recycling options, desalination is very important – because it is totally climate-independent.

Caring for the environment

We will be following a rigorous and open environmental approvals process for the Southern Seawater Desalination Project. We recognise the value and beauty of the south-west environment and are committed to building the most sustainable plant possible.

To demonstrate this commitment, and in line with EPA requirements, we are studying the potential impacts on the marine and land environment and on the local community. Our Environmental Scoping Document will outline the studies we are undertaking in more detail. You can tell us what you think when this document is released for public review shortly.



We will be holding a community forum on 3 December 2007 at the new Binningup Water Sports Centre to discuss our environmental studies, and the team will be there to answer your questions. There will be two sessions held between 2-4pm and 6-8pm.

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