

Southern Seawater Desalination Plant

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Thanks for your input.

The public submission period for the Commonwealth Public Environment Report (cPER) is now complete. We will now review submissions, prepare a response for the Federal Department of Environment, Water, Heritage and the Arts (DEWHA), and if necessary amend the cPER. We thank community members who attended our recent forum to discuss the report, and those who provided comments through the submission process. Over the coming weeks the DEWHA will review the Corporation's response and make a recommendation to the Minister for Environment, Heritage and the Arts, Peter Garrett. We anticipate a ministerial decision in May.

Door to door survey.

We also thank Binningup and Myalup residents who took part in recent door-to-door surveys undertaken by Beckwith Environmental Planning on behalf of the Corporation and your Community Reference Group. This was the first of multiple door-to-door surveys that will occur throughout the project. They will help us to monitor the social impacts on your communities throughout the various phases of the project. Results of the first survey will be available shortly.

Proposed construction camp – not us!

We fully understand local concerns about a recent Development Application for a workers construction camp on Taranto Road, Binningup. This Development Application was made by Numans Group Pty Ltd independently of both the Southern SeaWater Alliance and the Water Corporation. Any implied association in the Development Application advertising, is a position put forward by the proponent of the development and not the Water Corporation.

We again reassure everyone that a temporary workers construction camp is not planned for the proposed Southern Seawater Desalination Project.

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