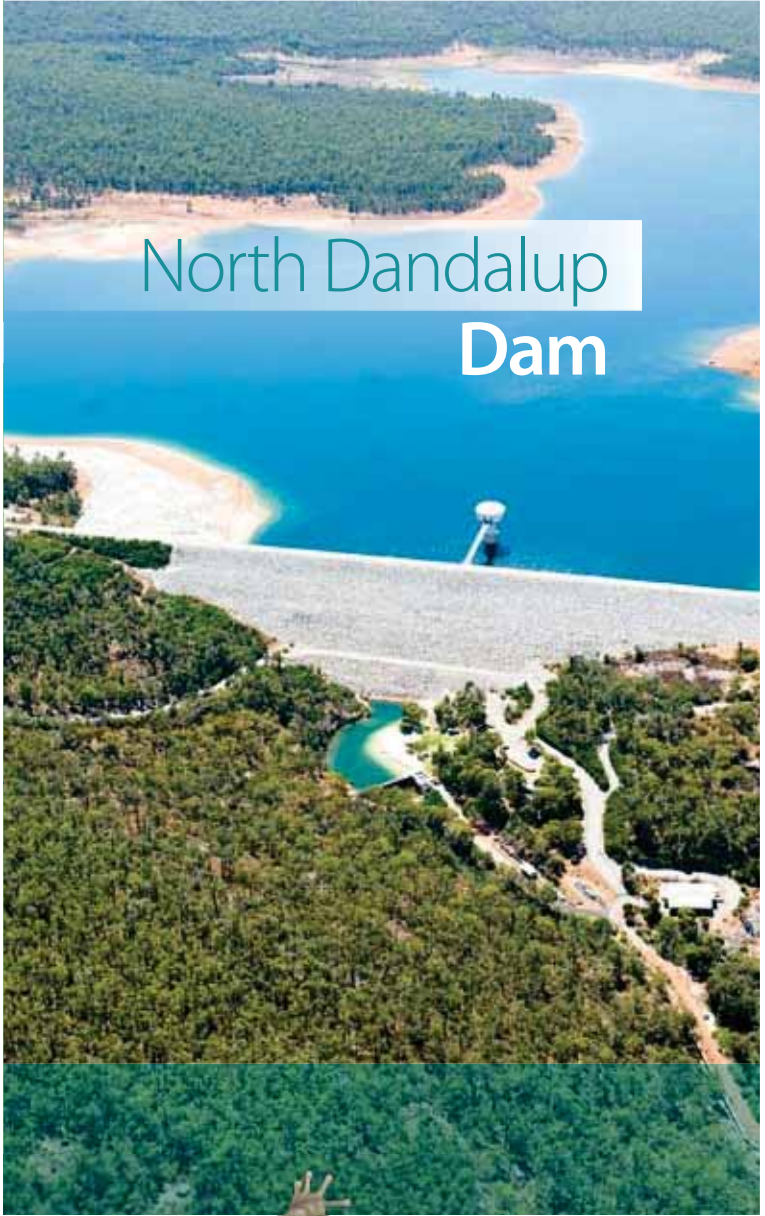


North Dandalup Dam



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Constructed in 1994, North Dandalup Dam is the newest dam serving the people of Perth.

Situated 150 kilometres south of the city in rolling hills, the dam offers excellent recreation facilities and spectacular coastal views.

History of the dam

Compared with most of the other dams in the Hills Scheme supplying high quality drinking water to the people of Perth, North Dandalup Dam is a relatively recent construction. Opened by former State Premier Richard Court in October 1994, it was the final project in a dam building program that included the new Victoria and Conjurunup Dams.

The \$50 million project to dam the North Dandalup River significantly boosted storage capacity to meet the needs of the City's growing population.

With a capacity of 75 million kilolitres, it is able to supply about 10 per cent of Perth's annual water consumption.

As well as the main dam, two earthfill saddle dams, the larger 22 metres and the smaller nine metres high, were built on low lying ridges slightly to the northwest.

The original small pipehead dam, which operated from 1971 until replaced by the larger dam, still plays a useful role as a recreation lake for visitors. It can be seen just due south of the main dam wall.

Other dams

North Dandalup Dam is just one of several dams in this area where the Water Corporation has provided facilities for your enjoyment.

Approximately half of Perth's water supply and most of the water distributed through the Goldfields and Agricultural System now comes from catchments in the Darling Range. These supply water of very high quality at a low cost to the community.



Have a great day out

Barbecues and picnics

Its attractive setting on the North Dandalup River in the southern reaches of the Darling Range makes this dam a very popular destination.

The recreation lake formed from the former Pipehead Dam is the focal point for a range of passive water-based activities including sailing model boats, wading and beach games. The grassed area next to the lake is ideal for picnics, with free gas barbecues, toilets and ample parking available.

Walking and views

A lookout situated between the two saddle dams slightly to the north offers spectacular views to Mandurah, the Peel Inlet and the Indian Ocean. Or walk across the old Pipehead Dam wall for a close up view of activities down below on the recreation lake. After a winter of heavy rain, the overflow from a spillway carved out of the natural rock is an added spectacle of a day out at North Dandalup Dam.

Your safety and the security of our water services

When visiting our sites please ensure your safety by using only the signed and formed pathways, roads and recreational areas. Be aware of uneven surfaces and walking hazards and take care when moving about the area.

Please do:

- Follow and comply with all directional and informational signs.
- Always monitor the whereabouts of children as they explore the area.
- Report all safety hazards and suspicious behaviour by calling 13 13 75.

Please do not:









- Climb walls, fences or bridges.
- Climb on pipework or other operational infrastructure.
- Deface safety and security signs.
- Trespass into signposted operational and 'No Entry' areas.
- Attempt to operate operational taps, valves or controls.
- Block emergency and operational access gates and roadways with vehicles.



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-  Road
 -  Walkway
 -  Toilets
 -  Disabled Toilets
 -  Picnic Area
 -  Parking
 -  Building
 -  Gas Barbecue
- No dogs permitted on site

Did you know...?

North Dandalup Dam – Rockfill Main Dam With Clay Core

Two Saddle Dams	
Earthfill Embankments	
Reservoir capacity	75 million kilolitres
Surface area at full storage	510 hectares
Catchment area	153 square kilometres
Height above lowest foundation	main dam 62 metres saddle dam 22 metres
System yield per annum	22 million kilolitres



How to get there

From Perth City centre, take Kwinana Freeway or Tonkin or Albany Highway to Armadale. Then follow South Western Highway for 45km to Hines Road, North Dandalup. Turn left and continue 6km until you come to the dam which is clearly signposted. The dam is open to visitors until 6pm. Closed 5pm in Winter.

Further information

For more information about this dam and others in Western Australia call 13 13 85 or visit our website www.watercorporation.com.au



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