

Water Treatment Plant Upgrade

Background

The Forrest water treatment plant was constructed more than 30 years ago. Over this time the plant has had several upgrades to ensure it could continue to operate effectively.

The plant pumps raw water from the West Barwon reservoir and treats the water in accordance with the *Safe Water Drinking Act 2003*.

The plant is reaching the end of its operational life. The upgrade will ensure the Forrest Water Treatment Plant has the latest technology and capacity to maintain ongoing water quality and security, meet rising demand and maintain customer affordability.

The \$8.75 million project is a core promise from Barwon Water's 2018-23 Prices Submission and will ensure Barwon Water can continue to provide high quality, affordable and secure services for Forrest customers and community. Additional project funding has been included in the 2023-28 Price Submission

Latest news

Barwon Water began construction to upgrade the Forrest Water Treatment Plant in September 2022.

A new plant will be built to allow the existing plant to be decommissioned and demolished. This new energy efficient and high quality plant will be constructed within the existing Barwon Water site.

Construction will begin on the new process buildings and tanks over summer.

We anticipate the project will take approximately one year to complete (September 2023).

There are no planned interruptions to the local water service as part of the works, the majority of which will take place within the water treatment plant site on Titchs Track.

