



VICTORIAN DESALINATION PROJECT

WORKS NOTIFICATION

Thiess Degremont, design and construction contractor for the Victorian Desalination Project, advises the community of the following upcoming activities.

DATE OF NOTIFICATION	20 January 2012
WHAT'S HAPPENING?	The Victorian Desalination Project will soon be filling the intake and outlet structures and tunnels with seawater. These works will prepare the marine structures and tunnels for future operation.
WHEN?	Works will commence late January 2012 and will take around 4-6 weeks to complete.
WHERE?	Offshore from Williamsons Beach (between Wonthaggi and Kilcunda), within the temporary marine exclusion zone.
WHAT'S INVOLVED?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Valves that are currently sealing the intake and outlet structures will be opened, allowing a controlled flow of seawater into the intake and outlet tunnels. It will take approximately 24 hrs for each tunnel to be completely filled.
WHAT SHOULD THE COMMUNITY BE AWARE OF?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Members of the community may notice a small dive crew with a boat at work in the temporary marine exclusion zone. The filling of the marine structures and tunnels is one of many commissioning activities that must be completed before the plant begins operating. It does not mean that the plant is operating. This will not occur until other parts of the desalination plant are commissioned and the required EPA approval is in place.
COMMUNITY CONTACTS	<p>Members of the community seeking more information are encouraged to contact the project team:</p> <p>Phone: Community contact line 1800 811 214 In person: Community Information Centre 33 – 35 Murray Street, Wonthaggi</p> <p>Email: contactus@aquasure.com.au Web: www.aquasure.com.au</p>
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