

### WESTERN CORRIDOR

#### RECYCLED WATER PROJECT

## "The Invisible Story"



A Queensland Government Water Project

# Water plant delay Hokey pokey pipeline You put 800m in, then you take it out ... fears under threat

## More saving, less water

Words twisted in anti-recycling propaganda



#### PROJECT NEED WATER AND POWER FOR QUEENSLAND

- Part of an overarching multifaceted strategy SEQ Water Grid – including new dams, desalination, recycled water, pipelines, demand management, institutional arrangements and pricing.
- Supply of Purified Recycled Water.
- Offsetting potable (i.e. drinking) water by enabling industry and agriculture to access an alternative water source.
- Provides security to significant power generating facilities.
- Economic growth in the western corridors of Brisbane new industries.
- Driven by amendments to the Water Regulation in 2006, which details several major projects including WCRW Project.



#### PROJECT SCOPE A PROJECT WITH GLOBAL SIGNIFICANCE

At completion, the WCRW Project will be the largest water recycling project in the southern hemisphere, with the capacity to supply up to 232 megalitres of recycled water a day and a future potential capacity of up to 310 ML/day.

#### **FEATURES**:

- 3 new Advanced Water Treatment Plants
- About 190km of large diameter pipelines
- Several storage tanks/reservoirs and pumping stations
- Plants are scalable





#### PROJECT ELEMENTS TRANSFER SYSTEM

- Bundamba-Swanbank Pipeline
  - Transfers treated water to Swanbank Power Station
  - Approximately 8km, 800mm diameter
- Oxley-Wacol-Goodna-Bundamba Pipeline
  - Transfers effluent to Bundamba AWTP
  - Approximately 25km, 1086mm diameter
  - Collection pumps, storage and transfer pumps at each WWTP
- Bundamba-Lowood-Caboonbah Pipeline
  - Transfers treated water to Caboonbah and Wivenhoe
  - Approximately 80km, 1451mm and 1000mm diameter
  - Booster pumps at Lowood, balance tanks Lowood and Esk
- Luggage Point-Bundamba Pipeline
  - Treated water from LP and GI to Bundamba
  - Approximately 50km, 1086mm diameter
  - Balance tank at Mt Petrie (near Belmont)





#### PROJECT SCHEDULE TARGET COMPLETION DATE: END 2008

Stage 1A: Water supply to Swanbank Power Station

Target: 31 July 07

Forecast: 31 August 07

Stage 1B: Water supply to Tarong Power Station

Target: 30 April 08

Forecast: 30 April 08

Stage 2: Water supply from Luggage Point

Target: 31 December 08

Forecast: 30 October 08

"Target" dates are the dates set out in the Water Regulation.



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#### AWT PLANTS WATER TREATMENT PROCESS

The WCRW Project will make use of almost all the wastewater from six existing treatment plants in Brisbane and Ipswich.

The key steps in the Advanced Water Treatment process are:

- Step 1: Wastewater treatment plant
- Step 2: Microfiltration
- Step 3: Reverse Osmosis
- Step 4: Remove nutrients
- Step 5: Advanced Oxidation
- Step 6: Stabilisation and Disinfection
- Step 7: Water ready for use



#### **AWT PLANTS**

**ROC TREATMENT AND RELEASE TO ENVIRONMENT** 

- One of the key project objectives
- Working with Healthy Waterways and EPA
- No net increase in total nutrient load
- Modelling of Brisbane River being undertaken
  - Generally TP levels much improved over current
  - Management of local toxic impacts at outfalls
  - Current ROC releases at Goodna, Luggage Point and Gibson Island



#### **PROJECT STATUS**

MAJOR CONTRACTS AWARDED, CONSTRUCTION BEGUN

- Dedicated Project Team
- Multi-million dollar contracts fast tracked and commenced:

Thiess and Black & Veatch
CH2M Hill and Laing O'Rourke
Montgomery Watson Harza, Burns and Roe Worley, Baulderstone Hornibrook and United Group Infrastructure
McConnell Dowell, Abigroup and GHD
AJ Lucas, Transfield Services, GHD, Sunwater
Veolia Water Australia
SRWP Alliance



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#### PROJECT STATUS CURRENT STATUS – STAGE 1A

- Thiess and Black & Veatch started construction on the AWT Plant at Bundamba in October 2006.
  - About 12,400m3 concrete poured
  - 530 people on-site
  - First RO skids on-site
  - On schedule... many critical paths
- Pipeline from Bundamba to Swanbank under construction by SRWP Co.
  - About 400m of 8km remain to be constructed
  - Running to schedule



WCRWP Pipe laying at Bundamba, February 07





#### PROJECT STATUS CURRENT STATUS – STAGE 1A

- Effluent collection pipeline Goodna to Bundamba (Eastern Pipeline Alliance)
  - Three pipes under construction
  - Effluent, treated water, ROC
  - About 1.5km laid of 9km
  - Completion boosts Bundamba production



WCRWP Pipe laying at Redbank, May 07



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#### PROJECT STATUS CURRENT STATUS – STAGE 1B

- Bundamba-Caboonbah Pipeline
  - All environmental approvals
  - Land acquisition
  - 22km pipe delivered
  - 7km laid
- Bundamba 1B AWTP
  - Target cost submitted
- Oxley-Goodna Pipeline
  - All environmental approvals
  - Land acquisition under way



Pipe Stockpile near Caboonbah May 07





#### PROJECT STATUS CURRENT STATUS – STAGE 2

- Gibson Island AWT Plant
  - Pilot plant in operation
  - Design well progressed
  - Piling in progress
- Luggage Point AWT Plant
  - Fill completed (60,000m<sup>3</sup>)
  - 200 piles driven
  - Design well progressed



Piling Works at Gibson Island May 07



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