MORE RELIABLE SUPPORT AND BETTER WATER QUALITY FOR TATURA

Minister for Environment, Climate Change and Water Lisa Neville today announced Tatura will receive a more secure and better quality water supply through a new $1.5 million pipeline and pump station.

The new pipeline will be built under an agreement between Goulburn Murray Water (GMW) and Goulburn Valley Water (GVW) to benefit people in the town of Tatura and irrigators in the surrounding district.

Goulburn Valley Water’s forecasts about future increased demand for water given expected industry and population growth in the town are a major driver for the project. The agreement between GVW and GMW brings Tatura into GMW’s Connections Project to achieve water savings and modernise the town’s water supply.

It will see a 3.3 kilometre pipeline constructed and a new pump station installed near the town’s water treatment plant. Currently Tatura’s water supply comes from a GMW channel which closes during the winter months, when an alternative supply is needed.

Goulburn Valley Water has committed $1 million to fund the project, with GMW funding the balance. GMW will manage construction and future operation and maintenance of the system.

Quotes attributable to Minister for Environment, Climate Change and Water Lisa Neville

“I want to see our water authorities meeting the challenges of population growth, climate change and increasing demands on our water supplies - and I congratulate GMW and GVW on reaching this innovative agreement.

“This is a great example of our water authorities working together to get the best outcomes for Victorian communities.”

Quote attributable to Member for Northern Victoria Jaclyn Symes

“This is a great investment in country Victoria and will achieve a better quality more reliable water supply for Tatura and also achieves water savings.”

Quotes attributable to Goulburn Valley Water General Manager Technical Services Steve McKenzie

“The project is a win-win for both corporations and more importantly for customers of both organisations – with the connection of Tatura township and irrigators in the surrounding district.”

Quotes attributable to GMW General Manager of Connections Ian Rodgers

“A key deliverable for the Connections Project is to secure water savings and this project will secure 373 megalitres in water savings by piping the entirety of the area. It will also save GMW $800,000 in installation costs.”