

## Mitiamo district domestic and stock pipeline

We are developing a business case to investigate the feasibility of a reticulated domestic and stock supply for the Mitiamo district.

### Who is developing the business case?

Goulburn-Murray Water (GMW) is pleased to be developing the business case in partnership with the Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning (DELWP), Coliban Water and Loddon and Campaspe Shires.

We will be undertaking consultation throughout the project to seek community input and support for a preferred pipeline design.

### What does a business case do?

The business case will look into the feasibility of a new domestic and stock pipeline for the Mitiamo district.

Throughout the process, we will be looking into the benefits for the community, the environment, local and regional development.

We will investigate environmental and cultural heritage impacts and most importantly, will consult with customers, potential customers, stakeholders and the community on their preferred option for a pipeline.

This will include ongoing costs to the customer for the service, the size and location of the pipe and the overall design.

Once a design has been finalised and adopted and supported by the proposed customer base, we will present this and all findings to the Victorian Government as part of a business case.

### Is the build of a pipeline funded?

No. This process is only to develop a business case, the build and installation of a pipeline in Mitiamo is not funded.

If the proposed infrastructure works are proven to be feasible and viable, the business case could be submitted to potential investors for funding consideration (eg Federal or Victorian governments).

It's because of this competitive process GMW is working closely with our customers, potential customers and stakeholders to develop a detailed business case that has the support of the community.

### How long will it take to develop a business case?

The process is expected to take just over 12 months.

This will include consultation to discuss with you your ideas, on-farm requirements, preferences and support for a pricing and tariff model.

In between this, our engineers and operational staff will be using this feedback and other findings to develop and modify designs.

### Will I have a say into how the business case is developed?

Yes. A preferred concept design for a pipeline will be developed through consultation with you.

GMW will be appointing a consultant to work with you throughout the duration of the project to find out your preferences and ideas for a domestic and stock pipeline.

This feedback will be factored in with engineering, environmental and cultural heritage considerations as well as the most cost effective method.

We will come back to you at a number of points throughout the process to keep you informed about how your ideas and feedback have been taken on board. This will include consulting with you on pricing and tariffs, being what you would pay for the service if a pipeline was built.

### How much would I pay and how much water would I get?

This depends on the size of the pipe, location of the pipe, your farm size and a number of other factors.

While pricing and tariffs specific to this project won't be developed until after we have consulted with you, we have information available from other, similar pipeline schemes to give you an idea on what you pay and what service you would receive in return.

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