

West Camden Water Recycling Plant Upgrade

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The West Camden Water Recycling Plant upgrade plays an important role in upgrading essential services and supporting growth, housing and the environment in Greater Western Sydney.

Sydney Water, together with our delivery partner Downer BMD JV, has been making steady progress in the commissioning of the upgrade at the West Camden Water Recycling Plant (WRP).

Testing of the new plant is well underway with the construction phase almost complete.

West Camden WRP Project Update

Driving along Sheathers Lane, you'll see the area transforming. Former parking and storage areas are now being restored and replanted. Inside the plant, construction is focused on internal roads and landscaping. After commissioning the new plant, the team will decommission parts of the old one and complete restoration activities.



Commissioning

The commissioning team has now entered the final stages of testing for the new plant, marking a crucial phase in the overall project. After months of careful planning, development, and installation, the focus has shifted to ensuring that every component of the new system operates at peak efficiency. During this stage, the team is thoroughly inspecting all systems, checking for performance and reliability. This meticulous process is essential to confirm that the new plant will meet all operational requirements and industry standards.

Once the testing phases are completed successfully, the next phase will involve the progressive transition from the old plant to the new one. This is a carefully orchestrated process where key systems and

operations will gradually transition to the new plant, ensuring minimal disruption. The transition phase is critical to avoid any operational downtime, and the team will work closely to ensure all systems are running smoothly before fully switching over. Each step of the cutover will be meticulously monitored, and the old plant will remain on standby in case any adjustments or fine-tuning are required during the transition.

With the new plant fully optimised, it will not only be more efficient but also more sustainable and better equipped to meet the growing demands of the future.

In the community

Tree planting – Bio offset 2.0

Continuing our Biodiversity legacy in the community



This year's tree planting event coincided with National Tree Planting Day on 30 July, an opportunity to make a lasting positive impact on our local ecosystems. In partnership with Camden Council, we focused on delivering a much-needed biodiversity restoration area at Spring Farm, which will contribute to the long-term health and sustainability of the park. The initiative saw the planting of 2,000 native trees from the River Flat Eucalypt Forest plant community—a critical habitat for local wildlife and an essential part of maintaining ecological balance in the region.

The day was marked by the turnout of 124 community volunteers, along with several project representatives

and council, all of whom came together to support the investment in their local parklands. Despite the challenging weather conditions—a particularly windy winter morning—the enthusiasm and dedication of the Camden Mayor, local residents, scouts, and our project team ensured a successful outcome. It was a day of collaboration, where the collective effort of many came together to achieve something significant for the local environment.

Men's Shed on Ferguson Lane

To contribute to the Men's Shed's ongoing development, we have donated a portion of our shelving storage system. This donation is a small yet meaningful gesture of goodwill, ensuring that the Men's Shed has the tools and infrastructure to continue supporting its own initiatives and projects.



Pictured: Keith Riches Camden Men's Shed Vice President with Aaron Pertrov and Mick Owen from Downer|BMD.

Continued extended hours

Our delivery partner Downer|BMD will be working extended hours as we near completion of the project. Some of this work will take place overnight when wastewater flows are low, to minimise impact on current operations.

More information about extended hours work is available on the Sydney Water Talk website.

Christmas Shutdown

The site will shutdown with no major construction work taking place between **Friday 20 December** and **Monday 6 January 2025**. A small number of staff will be present to monitor the site.



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