# West Camden Water Recycling Plant Upgrade

## Sydney WAT&R



Greater Sydney's population is forecast to reach 8 million people over the next 40 years, with approximately half of those people expected to be living in western Sydney.

We are investing now to transform and integrate our water, wastewater, stormwater and recycled water systems to ensure we can continue to provide safe, reliable and affordable services to customers as the region continues to grow. The West Camden Water Recycling Plant (WRP) will play a pivotal role in creating a more liveable and sustainable Sydney. The West Camden WRP is being upgraded to service future growth, ensure that water will continue to be available to support local agricultural businesses and ensure healthy waterways.



#### **Construction update:**

Throughout the first six months of 2024 there has been substantial progress with over 200 workers on the project on any given day. In May, we started testing the new equipment before we start the commissioning of the entire plant from August. The upgrade of the West Camden WRP is nearing completion with the majority of the construction work expected to be complete by August 2024.

#### What is commissioning?

Once construction is completed, we need to start testing the new and upgraded plant before turning it on. This involves checking that all elements of the plant work on their own. We then test it to ensure all elements work collectively and the plant is operating as required by Sydney Water.

#### **Biodiversity**

Last year we held a successful tree planting event with Camden Council at Elizabeth Macarthur Reserve. We planted over 3,000 native species and removed the weeds.

This year, we've teamed up with Council again to restore vegetation and plant trees at another location. Bring your family and join us at Spring Farm for a Community Tree Planting event to recognise National Tree Day.

Date: Sunday 28 July 2024

Time: 9 am – 12 pm

Location: Public Reserve Dewpoint Drive,

**Spring Park** 

There will be a free BBQ and Coffee Cart for participating volunteers.

Please register using the QR code directly below.



The link will direct you to the Camden Council page on the Planet Ark National Tree Day website.

You can also scan the QR code below to watch a video from our last tree planting day.

#### **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 the work will be available on the Sydney Water Talk website.

There will be no change to the hours **Monday** to Friday, 7am to 6pm and we will continue our extended hours on Saturdays from 7am to 5pm until September 2024.

We will keep the community informed prior to any Sunday or public holiday work.

#### **Pause for safety**

On 5 April, the project team met with guest speaker, Mr James Wood, who passionately addressed the audience on the 'consequences of choice'.

James suffered a workplace injury ~20 years ago, resulting in life changing events including now being in a wheelchair.

James' messaging was very compelling, reiterating the safety messages communicated on the project in a way that was hard hitting and very real.

On a daily basis, the project reflects on the job at hand and assesses the risks to make sure we are working safely at all times with constant messages to our workers that we all get home safely.

It's a reminder that everyone is accountable for safety, and how decisions made on site can affect you and your family.



### **Staying updated**



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