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How much water will you need in 50 years?

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GIPPSLAND WATER is calling on its customers and the community to help shape the corporation's long-term water supply plan.

The public is invited to work with Gippsland Water in the development of its second Water Supply Demand Strategy; a 50-year plan that identifies actions to maintain a balance between water demand and supply in its service area.

The water corporation is seeking the community's input about the following topics:

- Levels of service.
- Potential need to take action and keep supply and demand in balance.
- Possible initiatives that might help to address any imbalance between supply and demand.
- Costs and benefits of taking action.
- How we value water.

Customers and community members can participate by completing a comment form and returning it to Gippsland Water, or by attending one of three community consultation forums being held across Gippsland in mid-December.

The dates for the community sessions are as follows:

SALE

DATE: Wednesday 14 December 2011

TIME: 12:00pm – 3:00pm

VENUE: Princeton Motor Inn, Sale

TRARALGON

DATE: Thursday 15 December 2011

TIME: 12:00pm – 3:00pm

VENUE: Latrobe Convention Centre, 5601 Princes Highway, Traralgon

WARRAGUL

DATE: Tuesday 13 December 2011

TIME: 12:00pm – 3:00pm

VENUE: Warragul Arts Centre

Gippsland Water's managing director, David Mawer is interested in gaining as much insight from the community as possible.

"The Water Supply Demand Strategy is a very significant milestone in our corporation's long-term water planning, and we are opening it up for the community and our customers to share their views about what we are proposing," said Mr. Mawer.

"If you are not able to attend one of our consultation forums, I encourage you to visit our website or telephone us to grab a copy of the plan and a comment form, and have your voice heard that way," he said.

For more information about Gippsland Water's Water Supply Demand Strategy, please visit www.gippswater.com.au or telephone 1800 066 401.

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