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Interconnection to secure supply for several towns

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GIPPSLAND WATER'S 180 customers in Darnum and the Fonterra dairy production facility stand to benefit from a more secure water supply as part of a new interconnection pipeline from Yarragon to Darnum that will connect their water supply to Moe system.

This pipeline forms the first phase of a two-staged project that will link Gippsland Water's Warragul and Moe water supply systems, allowing Gippsland Water to transfer treated water between the two systems providing a more secure water supply for Darnum, Warragul, and Drouin customers.

The project will include the construction of a 375mm diameter pipeline from Yarragon to Darnum, which began in mid-February and is expected to be completed before the end of this financial year. The pipeline will tap in to the existing transfer main east of Yarragon and transfer water to the proposed treated water tank site in Darnum.

This \$7 million project will allow Darnum customers and the Fonterra production facility – which are currently only able to receive supply from the Warragul supply system - to be supplied water from the Moe system, reducing the demand on the Tarago system by approximately 1.5 million litres of water each day. It also allows for population growth in the area.

The project will include a 1 million litre treated water storage tank at Darnum, a chlorine dosing unit, a pump station at the Darnum treated water tank site and a pipeline from the tank to the Darnum reticulation system.

More information about this project is available by telephoning Gippsland Water's Service Centre on 1800 066 401.

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