

19<sup>th</sup> March 2016

To all Orroroo families & residents.

As we are all aware, we have for many years been trying to obtain quality water for Orroroo, not only for residents, but also our hospital, school, businesses and us community residents.

Recently the majority of us have filled in a Council survey form and these have been forwarded to the appropriate authorities last week.

We have been speaking with ESCOSA, the independent body that recommends to SA Water and other essential services. Their support is crucial as they will recommend to SA Water which infrastructure projects should proceed in the next 4 years.

Their decision has a commercial basis, that is, it needs to be financially justifiable for SA Water to spend over \$12 million to build a pipeline from Peterborough to Orroroo.

So it needs to be made clear to them that the residents of Orroroo demand quality water.

For this to happen, we need to also write a letter or email giving our reasons for SA Water to build this pipeline.

In this letter or email, we need to let them know the benefits of this pipeline, not just to Orroroo, but also to SA Water.

After all, they are in the business of selling water, so please tell them what difference having quality water will make to this town.

For example, we can finally expand our garden without the risk of losing trees and plants that just cannot tolerate the saline water we currently receive.

The town will surely expand because of the improvement of services as a result of this pipeline.

This will also bring extra revenue to SA Water, and justify the economic model of the pipeline.

The submission period closes Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> March 2016, so we urge all residents to please take a few minutes write to ESCOSA.

Their email is [escosa@escosa.sa.gov.au](mailto:escosa@escosa.sa.gov.au) or postal address GPO Box 2605 Adelaide SA 5001.

Subject should be 'Orroroo water quality project.'

It is preferable but not essential to include your name, address and family numbers.

Please, this is important, if we fail this time, it will be at least another 4 years before we have a chance to apply again. Costs will go up, the Orroroo population will probably remain static and so the economic benefits to SA Water of building this pipeline will diminish with time.

Thanking you in anticipation of your support.

I agree with the above information as I have lived here for 88 years and because of the quality of our local water supply is unavailable to drink or cook with a new rainwater tank has been ordered to replace my water tank approximately \$3,000 which is well over my pension availability

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