



Gladstone Area Water Board

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Fitzroy to Gladstone Pipeline reaches major milestone with first water in Aldoga reservoirs

Water has begun flowing into the Aldoga Reservoirs for the first time, marking a significant construction milestone for the \$983 million Fitzroy to Gladstone Pipeline (FGP).

Construction of the two 50 megalitre reservoirs is now well progressed, allowing hydrostatic testing to begin. This testing phase will involve filling each reservoir with water to confirm structural integrity and readiness for service.

Once testing is complete, work will begin on installing the reservoir roofs.

Gladstone Area Water Board Chief Executive Officer Darren Barlow said the start of water testing at the Aldoga Reservoirs marks a turning point in the project's construction phase.

"Introducing water into the reservoirs for the first time is a major milestone and symbolises how far the project has come," Mr Barlow said.

"This is not just a technical step - it's a sign we're getting closer to delivering a second source of water supply for Gladstone and reducing the region's reliance on Awoonga Dam.

"The hydrostatic testing process is essential to confirm each reservoir is ready for operational use, and it also allows the project to safely progress to the next stage, including roof construction and supporting infrastructure.

"GAWB is committed to delivering the Fitzroy to Gladstone Pipeline on time and to the highest standards. Each milestone is a step closer to securing safe and reliable water for the industries, communities and future of Central Queensland."

The FGP is a Queensland Government-funded project, delivered by GAWB, to provide long-term water security for the Gladstone region. It will mitigate the single-source water supply risk from Awoonga Dam and support economic growth in Central Queensland.

The FGP is expected to be completed in 2026, weather and construction conditions permitting.

Gladstone Area Water Board (GAWB), as a Queensland Government Bulk Water Supply Authority, delivers safe and reliable water services which promote economic development and enhance the lifestyle of regional Queensland. GAWB owns and operates Awoonga Dam, along with a network of pipelines, water treatment plants and other distribution infrastructure. GAWB also owns and operates Aquaculture Gladstone, a fish hatchery and interpretive display at Lookout One at Lake Awoonga.

To ensure long-term water security for customers, the 117-kilometre Fitzroy to Gladstone Pipeline (FGP) is under development. When delivered, the FGP will become part of the GAWB network and provide enhanced water security and reliability for the region. For more information about GAWB and the FGP, please visit www.gawb.qld.gov.au

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