

PFAS INVESTIGATION AND MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

SERVICE COURAGE RESPECT INTEGRITY

RAAF Base Pearce

Bullsbrook Scheme Water Infrastructure – Community Update

Project Update

Defence would like to thank the Bullsbrook community for your ongoing support, cooperation and patience as we deliver the Bullsbrook Scheme Water Infrastructure project.

In October, Defence announced that Perth-based construction company, Civcon, had been awarded the pipeline construction contract for the Bullsbrook Scheme Water Infrastructure.

Since then, Civcon has established a site office and progressed construction works. Construction activities to date include:

- More than 3.5 km of pipe has been successfully installed, a key achievement for the construction team
- The micro-tunnelling section beneath Tonkin
 Highway is nearing completion and is expected
 to be finished in late 2024. This critical part of the
 project has required precise engineering and
 careful planning to ensure it meets all safety and
 quality standards.
- Progress continues on Railway Parade and Almeria Parade, where teams are working to install infrastructure.

Residential plumbing investigation activities are set to begin in early 2025. These activities will involve on-site inspections and assessments to ensure that all plumbing connections are correctly integrated with the new scheme water network.

Property owners connecting to scheme water will be contacted by Civcon to arrange access and discuss any specific requirements or concerns.

Defence will continue providing the community with relevant and timely information about provision of scheme water infrastructure.

December 2024



Pipeline construction is underway on Strachan Road, Bullsbrook.

What will Defence provide?

- Construction of the scheme water infrastructure mains.
- Connection of individual properties to scheme water infrastructure.
- Necessary plumbing modifications to residences.
- Reinstatement of disturbed ground following plumbing works, to the extent practicable.
- Opportunity for property owners to ask questions.

If you would like to have further discussions, or have further questions, please contact:

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What does the household connection process involve?

- Stage 1 Installing a point of connection to the new scheme water mains just inside the property boundary.
- **Stage 2** Plumbing works to connect the property with the mains point of connection.

In 2024, Defence sought permission with relevant property owners to install a point of connection to the new scheme water mains pipeline (Stage 1).

Most eligible properties have completed this step, and Civcon are in the process of contacting remaining properties to finalise agreements.

Next steps – Confirming the scope of plumbing works

As construction of the new pipeline works progresses, Civcon will prepare a scope of works for connecting properties which:

- details the plumbing works (Stage 2), in consultation with the property owner, and
- confirms Defence's commitment to providing funding for water usage and water service charges for a minimum period of eight (8) years.

Property owners need to confirm this scope of works before works to connect the property can proceed.

This process is expected to begin in early 2025.



Pipeline installation in progress on Raphael Road, Bullsbrook.

Bottled water service

Defence will continue to offer bottled water to people living in the Management Area, on a case-by-case basis.

Households receiving bottled water will continue to receive this supply until water scheme infrastructure has been successfully connected to the property.

If you would like to register for bottled water, please fill in the form on the RAAF Pearce PFAS website www.defence.gov.au/about/locations-property/pfas/pfas-management-sites/raaf-base-pearce-bullsbrook or contact the PFAS Investigation and Management Team on 1800 987 614 or bullsbrook.defence@ghd.com

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