

Eyre Peninsula desalination project update

We're making progress on marine infrastructure

Construction of the desalination plant's marine infrastructure, including the intake and outfall pipelines, remains a key focus of the project's construction activities.

A small amount of dredging is nearing completion, with contractors McConnell Dowell using methods designed to minimise sediment disturbance and protect the surrounding environment.

Specialised monitoring buoys continue to provide data on water quality conditions, and a fauna observer is on site to maintain continuous visual checks.

Preparatory work for the intake and outfall pipes continues, with our team welding pipes together on land, and working to install service rail lines which will provide a track for pipe supports.



Work continues inside the tunnel under the seabed.



Pipes are ready for welding on land.

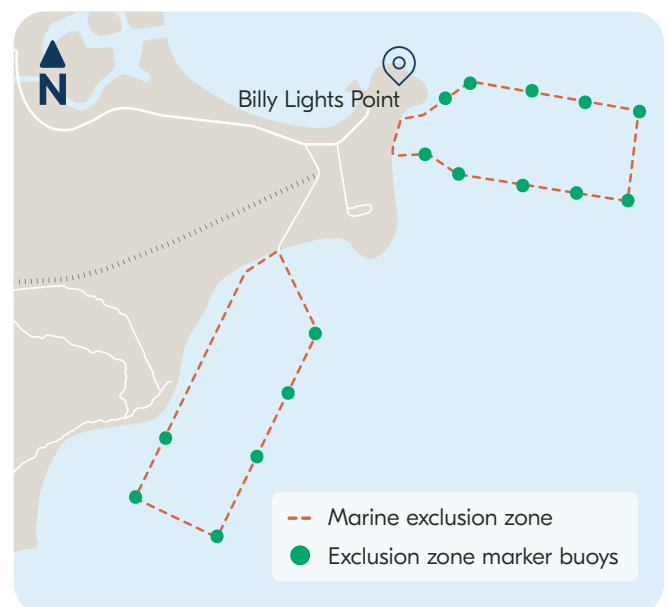
Reminder about temporary exclusion zones

We currently have 2 marine exclusion zones near Billy Lights Point to ensure safety for mariners, who must avoid these areas and follow all markers and navigation signage.

The temporary vessel exclusion zones have been established to support marine construction, and were approved by the Department of Infrastructure and Transport (DIT) under the *Harbors and Navigation Act 1993*.

Both exclusion zones will be in place and off-limits to all mariners until 31 January 2027.

You will find signs with more information at Billy Lights Point and Axel Strenross boat ramps.



Marine exclusion zones.

Plant construction powers ahead

We're continuing to make steady progress on construction of the desalination plant, with advances across several key areas.

Installation of aboveground pipework has advanced, with support structures nearing completion and pipe installation now underway in multiple processing areas.

Major equipment — including pumps, chemical storage tanks and dosing systems — has been delivered and installed on site.

Electrical works are underway, with the high and low voltage switch rooms nearing completion and electrical installation across the plant now almost finished. We've made progress on our communications infrastructure, with our NBN conduits recently installed.

Work on key water storage and treatment infrastructure continues with construction on our post-treated water tank, process lagoon pump station and associated drainage systems. Stormwater infrastructure around the sedimentation pond and access roads has also been expanded, which will support the long-term operation of the facility.



Aerial view of the desalination plant site.

Terrestrial pipeline hits key milestone

We're continuing construction of the terrestrial pipeline, with installation of one major section successfully completed and pressure tested.

We're now working on backfilling in this area, which marks another key milestone for the project.

Preparatory works are also underway for upcoming open-cut road crossing activities, including service location investigations and the construction of diversion tracks to support safe and efficient construction.

Overall, we're making consistent progress on the pipeline network, and preparing for the next stages of delivery.



Terrestrial pipeline construction.

See you at an upcoming event

Our team recently presented to the District Council of Kimba, giving the elected body an update on the project. Let us know if your group or business is interested, and we are happy to present an update.

Look out for us at upcoming events, including the Cummins Show and Ceduna Oysterfest — we'd love to see you there. We'll be sharing tips on how to save water, information on rebates for water efficient appliances, and project updates.

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