



# **BELMONT DESALINATION PLANT**

WE'RE BUILDING A DESALINATION PLANT SO WE CAN CONTINUE TO MEET THE NEEDS OF OUR CUSTOMERS NOW AND IN THE FUTURE. WE'VE ENGAGED JOHN HOLLAND TO BUILD THE PLANT.



### Work in progress

We will continue the site establishment activities during February 2025 including road inspection and pavement testing on Beach Street and Ocean Park Road, clearing of vegetation on site, installing a fence along the site boundary, and setting up the worker site compounds and car parks on site.

## **Upcoming work from February**

To build the foundation of the Belmont Desalination Plant, the first major construction activity is to level the existing ground surface. This involves bringing in soil and other ground material to site once the removal of vegetation is complete.

There are more than 36,000 tonnes of earth to be imported to site over two to three months, from mid-February to May 2025.

The earthworks program includes:

- Confirming ground conditions and composition
- Surveying to set out the project boundary and levels
- Installing and maintaining environmental controls
- Removing vegetation
- Stripping topsoil
- Importing soil and other ground material.

Trucks with trailers will be used to move materials on the road network along the approved route for construction vehicles.

### How this will affect you

You may notice changes to local traffic movements and an increase in construction and heavy vehicles in Beach Street and Ocean Park Road from February.

To ensure the safety of road users and the public, the existing speed limit on Beach Street and Ocean Park Road will be reduced. Timed parking restrictions on the southern side of Beach Street will be installed, and existing no stopping zones will be extended near the Fernleigh Awabakal Shared Track (FAST) at the intersection of Ocean Park Road during standard construction hours, subject to Council approval.

The FAST will be adjusted temporarily to help ensure the safety of cyclists and pedestrians at the intersection of Ocean Park Road.

Traffic control will be in place while road surface testing is completed along Beach Street and Ocean Park Road. All road users are advised to follow the directions of signs and traffic control.

The earthworks activities from mid-February to May 2025 will be the peak period for heavy vehicle movements as part of the construction of the Belmont Desalination Plant.

Our aim is to minimise inconvenience to you, and we thank you for your patience during this work.



One truck and trailer carries around 32 tonnes of material





#### Our work schedule

Most activities will be carried out between 7am and 6pm Monday to Friday, and Saturdays from 8am to 1pm, weather permitting. If we need to work outside these times, we will let you know

### **Contact us**

We are here to help and answer any questions you may have about our work. Please call our community representative, Monique Browne on the toll-free number 1800 968 051 or email <a href="mailto:desal@hunterwater.com.au">desal@hunterwater.com.au</a>. You can also learn more about the project at <a href="mailto:hunterwater.com.au/desal">hunterwater.com.au/desal</a>.

#### Indicative work area:

