

## **MEDIA RELEASE**

## **Green Lake Project Progresses**

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The initial stages of a project to return water to Green Lake have begun. Preparation of a business case to complete works to stop the leaking at Green Lake is underway.

SED Consultation are undertaking the work which is already well advanced. A meeting to document the key benefits the lake provides to the wider region was recently attended by Council, Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning, Regional Development Victoria, GWM Water and community representatives.

Also, members of the Green Lake Committee of Management and Advance Sea Lake Inc have met with the consultants on site at Green Lake.

Additional geotechnical testing has been completed to find an engineering solution to stop the lake from leaking and to guarantee recreational water for the region. Environmental analysis of the proposed works is also underway, which will be required for any subsequent planning permits and approvals.

These initial stages of the project have received State Government funding of \$72,000.

"This is one of the major projects for Council. Recreational water is of great importance to the area as it has many flow-on benefits. Consultation has begun with the Barengi Gadjin Land Council about the proposed works and the community has begun its fundraising campaign for the project", said Mayor, Cr David Pollard.

The final report, including engineering solutions and cost benefit analysis will be completed by February 2017.



## **End release**

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