



## **Central Tablelands Water Media Release**

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### **39km Gooloogong to Grenfell pipeline commissioned**

Central Tablelands Water (CTW) officially opened its new \$6 million, 39 kilometre potable pipeline between Gooloogong and Grenfell on Wednesday 16 December 2020. The new pipeline, known as Trunk Main "K" replaces a 74 year old trunk main which has served the township and rural consumers of Grenfell well for a long period of time.

Cr David Somervaille, Chairman of CTW, said, "The completion of this significant CTW capital works project delivered by CTW staff and fully funded by CTW over a 4 year period has been a tremendous effort. Due to competing funding priorities, this replacement pipeline project has been in CTW's Long Term Financial Plan for over a decade, so it is now fantastic to see it come to fruition."

Gavin Rhodes, General Manager of CTW said, "This project with its increased pipe sizing will allow the lower end of our supply network to be managed more reliably and efficiently. We have increased the pipe size from 200mm to 300mm enabling a substantial improvement in volumetric flow, especially during peak demand periods."

"I would like to thank the CTW councillors for their support, and acknowledge the efforts of CTW's directors (former and present), managers, staff and local contractors in delivering this important project. I would also like to thank the many rural property owners of which the pipeline traverses for their understanding and willingness to work in collaboration with CTW during the installation of the pipeline." Mr Rhodes said.

CTW's Director Operations & Technical Services, Noel Wellham added, "This replacement pipeline will ensure the township of Grenfell and surrounding rural consumers has reliable water supply infrastructure in place for itself as well as for growth over the next 80 years. I would also like to reiterate the general manager's comments in thanking the CTW staff and local contractors for their commitment to completing this project within the original allocated budget. The rural property owners are also to be commended for their flexibility in working with our team to complete the project."

The new Trunk Main K 39km pipeline services approximately 3,000 consumers in the township of Grenfell including rural consumers along the main.

CTW is a water supply authority constituted under NSW Local Government legislation. First proclaimed in 1944 the county embraces the Shires of Blayney, Cabonne and Weddin providing drinking water to these communities. CTW currently has approximately 6,000 water connections and provides potable water to 15,000 consumers in 14 towns and villages.



Photo L/R: Former Councillor Geoff McClelland, Deputy Chairman Cr Kevin Walker, Chairman Cr David Somervaille, former Councillor Alan Griffiths and Cr Craig Bembrick officially opening the new \$6.1m Trunk Main "K" pipeline at McDonalds Lane Pump Station, Warraderry near Grenfell.

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