



INFORMATION

Shire of Ravensthorpe

2013 OPERATIONAL AUDIT AND ASSET MANAGEMENT SYSTEM REVIEW

The Economic Regulation Authority has published the 2013 operational audit (**Audit**) and asset management system review (**Review**) report for the Shire of Ravensthorpe's (**Shire**) sewerage and non-potable water supply services licence. The report includes the post-audit and post-review implementation plans.

- [2013 Audit and Review report](#)

Action by the Authority

The Authority is satisfied with the Shire's compliance with its licence conditions disclosed in the Audit. With regard to the Review, the Authority notes the improvements the Shire has made since the 2011 Review in its asset management; in particular, in risk management and documenting the asset operations and asset maintenance procedures. Nevertheless, further improvement is needed for the Shire to achieve an effective asset management system.

The Authority has decided to increase the period of time until the next Audit and Review from 18 months to 24 months. The increase of the Review period is subject to the Shire providing a satisfactory independent report to the Authority by 31 March 2014.

The next Audit and Review will cover the period from 1 June 2013 to 31 May 2015, with the report on the Audit and Review to be provided to the Authority by 31 August 2015.

BACKGROUND TO THE AUTHORITY'S DECISION

Since the 2011 Review, the Shire has significantly improved the standard of the wastewater scheme's asset management system. Nevertheless, the Authority is concerned that the Shire's staff and contractors have not been provided with training for working in confined spaces, and the Shire's contingency plans require improvements to meet the necessary standard.

The Authority requires the Shire to rectify these process deficiencies as priorities.

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