



Media Release

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CONSTRUCTION OF HOLDING TANK – TENTERFIELD DAM

Residents may have noticed a large tank being constructed at the entrance to the Tenterfield Dam and Water Treatment Plant site during the last couple of days.

Southern Cross Tanks are installing the tank for Council and it is anticipated it will be completed on Friday, 21 February 2020.

This new tank is part of Council's ongoing emergency water supply preparations which will continue into the future eventhough the Dam remains at 100% capacity.

During the August 2019 fire, the water filtration plant sustained some fire damage to the sludge holding pond. The new tank will function as a temporary holding tank to enable replacement of the liner in the damaged pond.

Following these works, the new tank will repurposed either for bore water storage or as a holding tank for waste water from the reverse osmosis plant which has been commissioned to process bore water.

The new tank has a capacity of 620 kilolitres and cost \$106,050 including installation.

Mayor Petty reassured the community that Council will not cease the planned works to ensure an emergency water supply for Tenterfield into future decades.

"We don't know what Mother Nature may throw at us, but this time we will be prepared and our residents can be confident that there will always be potable water available", he said.

