

# Community Bulletin 2

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## Tanti Creek Wetland and Retarding Basin Project Update – Construction passes half way point

Work on the new wetland and retarding basin at Tanti Creek in Mornington is progressing well.

The earthworks and construction components of the project are now over 50 per cent complete and, despite some wet weather in June and July, the project is on track to be completed in March 2010.

### What's been completed so far?

Approximately 90,000 cubic metres of soil have been excavated so far. In total 160,300 cubic metres need to be excavated to construct the two sediment ponds and four wetland pools that will make up the new wetland system.

Civil works to stabilise the banks of the new wetland pools and create the in and out flow facilities are also well underway and are approximately 60 per cent complete.

The outflow pipe that will connect the new wetland to Tanti Creek has been constructed.

### What's still ahead?

We expect to finish the earthworks and civil construction stages of the project in December.

Revegetation planting and landscaping is scheduled to start in January 2010. The noise and traffic impacts on local residents will be substantially less during this stage of the project compared to earthworks and construction.

Over 75,000 native plants will be planted over approximately 12 weeks.

### Trucks along Brimbrim Crescent and Eden Park Drive

We have received feedback from some residents that a small number of truck drivers are driving irresponsibly along Brimbrim Crescent and Eden Park Drive.

Please be assured that we take this matter very seriously. The safety of residents and other road users is a critical focus for the project team and we have reiterated the need to drive safely to everyone coming to and from our site.

### **Please help us by reporting bad drivers**

Please help us to identify any of our drivers who are driving irresponsibly by reporting any concerns to the Waterways Alliance on 9287 7334. Your call will be treated as confidential and we will investigate each concern appropriately.

### **Why build a wetland and retarding basin in Mornington?**

The wetland is part of Mornington Peninsula Shire's plan for the area and is an important part of Melbourne Water's program to improve water quality and reduce nitrogen levels entering Port Phillip Bay.

When completed in March 2010 it will increase flood protection and naturally treat and reduce pollutants, such as nitrogen, suspended solids and phosphorus in stormwater entering Tanti Creek and Port Phillip Bay.

The wetland and retarding basin will also feature a public path around its boundary linking Brimbrim Crescent to Samantha Drive and Narambi Reserve.

Call Martin Stern on 9287 7334 for information about this project. Or call Melbourne Water on 131 722 or visit [melbournewater.com.au](http://melbournewater.com.au) for general information about other projects to secure a sustainable water future.