

# Community Bulletin 3

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## Tanti Creek Wetland and Retarding Basin Project Update – Earthworks and civil construction complete

The Tanti Creek Wetland and Retarding Basin project will achieve a major milestone late this week with the completion of earthworks and civil construction.

We are on schedule to complete the project by the end of March next year, despite a number of rain delays, and would like to thank local residents for their patience and cooperation so far.

### The next stage of works – planting and landscaping

The landscaping and planting stage of the project is now underway with around 68,000 native plants to go in the ground between now and the end of March 2010.

The noise and traffic impacts on local residents will be substantially reduced during this stage of the project compared to when earthworks and construction was being completed.

### Connecting the wetland to Tanti Creek

A 490 metre outflow pipe was built along the Mornington Tourist Railway line to connect the new wetland and retarding basin to Tanti Creek. The connection will now be opened meaning that the new wetland and retarding basin will begin to function as a live waterbody.

Once the wetland plants establish, the wetland and retarding basin will improve water quality flowing into Tanti Creek and eventually Port Philip Bay. Until then, water discharging from the new wetland may appear muddy, depending on the stormwater inflows.

### Christmas site closure

The project site will close over Christmas from 23 December to 11 January 2010. If you have any questions or concerns during this time you can still contact the Waterways Alliance on 9287 7334.

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.