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Cleaning and upgrade to water main between Swan Reach and Metung

Next week East Gippsland Water will be carrying out cleaning and upgrade work to eight kilometres of water main between Swan Reach and Metung, to improve the efficiency of the water supply network and further boost drinking water quality for local customers.

The work will be conducted over two days, 10 and 12 December, and will involve sections of water main in Bylands Court, Rosherville Road, Metung Road and Nungurner Road.

As well as high pressure cleaning the water supply pipes, more than 20 ageing pipeline valves will be replaced, many located underground.

A letter has been sent in advance to all 50 customers affected. This includes details of a temporary shutdown to the water supply, how to prepare and what to do if you are a special needs customer.

To help minimise any inconvenience, the work will be undertaken between 10am and 3pm, which is outside the peak period of water use.

Said East Gippsland Water's Managing Director, Bruce Hammond: "We thank customers in advance for their patience and cooperation. This work follows months of careful preparation to ensure minimal disruption and is necessary to maintain and improve the efficiency of our drinking water network."

Customers with any queries about the work should contact the East Gippsland Water depot in Bairnsdale on 5152 4012.

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