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Dear Resident

## **CLOVELLY PARK AND MITCHELL PARK ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT PROJECT – PHASE 2 UPDATE**

In 2014 the Environment Protection Authority (EPA) undertook environmental investigations in areas of Clovelly Park and Mitchell Park to determine the nature and extent of contamination within the Clovelly Park and Mitchell Park Assessment Area. These investigations culminated with the release of the Clovelly Park and Mitchell Park Environmental Assessment Report in December 2014.

The December 2014 report indicated that further investigation would be required to identify if groundwater contamination was present in the area north of Alawoona Avenue, Mitchell Park. In July 2015, Renewal SA (RSA) entered into a Voluntary Site Contamination Assessment Proposal (VSCAP) with the EPA to further investigate the nature and extent of soil and groundwater contamination in Clovelly Park and Mitchell Park. These investigations – Phase 2 – build upon those undertaken by the EPA in 2014.

The Phase 2 investigations occurred during the latter half of 2015 and provided additional information in relation to environmental conditions in the area. In June 2016 several new groundwater wells were installed in Mitchell Park to assist with delineation of groundwater contamination north of Alawoona Avenue in Mitchell Park.

Results from the testing of the new wells revealed Trichloroethene (TCE) concentrations similar to the 2014 EPA assessment results, reported by the EPA in the area immediately south of Alawoona Avenue. Renewal SA advised the EPA of the results of these investigations. A copy of the report in relation to these results can be found on the Renewal SA website – at the following website page link <https://renewalsa.sa.gov.au/cpmp-phase2>

These recent investigations have not fully determined the extent or boundary of the groundwater plume and Renewal SA now needs to undertake further investigations involving the installation of additional groundwater wells for this purpose.

Work is planned to commence in mid-August 2016 and take approximately 3 weeks to complete. Drilling will be undertaken within the investigation area (please refer to enclosed map) and planned so as to minimise disruption to local residents.

The work will include:

- Teams on site identifying and marking locations of underground services and the locations for drilling (using temporary coloured paint) on grass verges, footpaths, roads and road verges.
- Drilling activities using a truck mounted drill rig.
- Sampling of groundwater wells approximately one-two weeks later. This process involves a vehicle parked adjacent to each well, extracting groundwater samples into laboratory bottles, using a small pump that is powered by a vehicle battery.

As part of the drilling and testing activities on site, there will at times be people wearing personal protective equipment. This activity will not endanger pedestrians, residents in neighbouring properties or require them to take any protective action. Please do not enter the barricaded area around the drill rigs during this time.

Renewal SA is committed to maintaining ongoing communications with the local community during this process and will be visiting homes, businesses and institutions immediately adjacent to the well locations prior to this work commencing.

Please do not use bore water for any purpose. Mains water and water from rainwater tanks are not affected. Home grown fruit and vegetables are safe to consume, provided they are not watered with bore water.

In the meantime, if you have any questions, please contact Renewal SA on 1300 663 707 or email [cpmp-phase2@sa.gov.au](mailto:cpmp-phase2@sa.gov.au)

Yours sincerely



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