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FUNDING APPROVED FOR YOUNG SEWERAGE SCHEME

The NSW Government will fund the construction of a new sewage treatment plant (STP) at Young, located in the central west of NSW.

NSW Primary Industries Minister, Katrina Hodgkinson, today announced the NSW Government would provide over $5.1 million to Young Shire Council towards the construction of the Young sewage treatment plant.

“I am pleased to be able to offer this funding through the NSW Government’s Country Towns Water Supply and Sewerage Program to support Young Shire Council on this important project,” Ms Hodgkinson said.

“The work involves the construction of a modern STP to replace the existing treatment plant which is over 70 years old.

“This modern, state of the art facility will provide reclaimed water for irrigation at the nearby Young Golf Course and Burrangong Oval, as well as help to protect the health of the local environment and downstream waterways.”

Ms Hodgkinson said the new STP, which is due to be completed in 2013, will service the Young community for decades to come.

“The NSW Government is supporting Young Shire Council’s water and sewerage operations with technical advice and support, as well as financial assistance to enable it to better serve the community,” Ms Hodgkinson said.

This grant is in addition to recent funding approval of $4.3 million for new water treatment facilities at Gunning and Dalton and over $850,000 for the construction of the Taralga water treatment plant.

More information on the Country Towns Water Supply and Sewerage Program is available on the NSW Office of Water’s website - www.water.nsw.gov.au

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