



AVONBANK PROJECT NEWSLETTER

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PROJECT UPDATE

We welcome interested stakeholders to an exciting year ahead for the Avonbank Project!

Our team is working to finalise EES-related environmental and socio-economic studies, with a view that by mid-2022 these will be available for public exhibition.

The Avonbank Project Webinar Series is an excellent resource for any community member that wants to learn about what studies WIM has completed for various topics, such as groundwater and surface water. You can find these on our website.

WIM continues to work with local community groups and events and this year plans to yet again be involved as much as possible, with events such as the Western Victoria Careers Expo and the Murtoa Big Weekend.

The Avonbank Project will be a major opportunity for local businesses and will be a source of significant employment and cash stimulus to the local economy.

I encourage you to visit our website or make an appointment with Murray Wilson, Stakeholder Liaison Officer, at our Horsham office, to learn more about the project.



Michael Winternitz
Projects Director

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Next community information session:
6th May at Horsham Plaza

Next webinar: 11th May

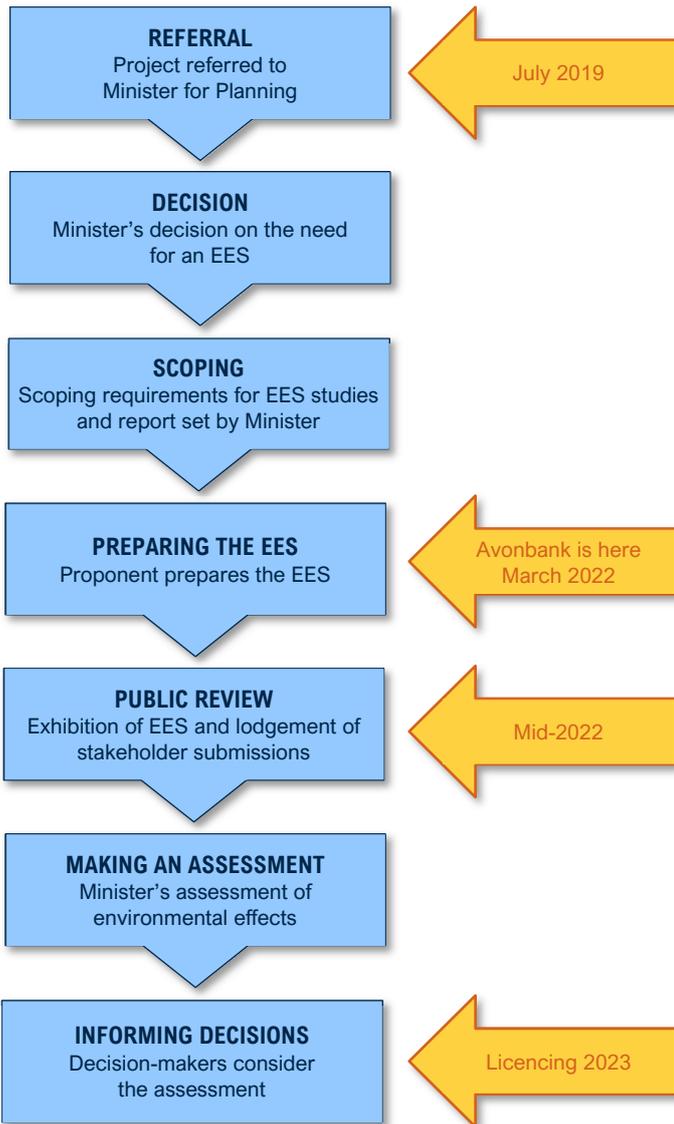


CONTACT US

Do you have a question or comment?
Get in touch and let us know your thoughts on the Avonbank Project.

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EES UPDATE



TEST PIT UPDATE

Recently contractors conducted small core soil probe testing over the test pit site. The probes were put down for core samples at depths of between one and two metres. Analysis of the data will assist WIM to assess soil properties one year after the rehabilitation works.



STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT UPDATE

Regular communication with stakeholders is important to WIM. We want our stakeholders and the broader community to have the opportunity to discuss our project and provide constructive feedback.

Our strong focus on stakeholder engagement will continue in 2022 including:

- ◆ pop-in community information days at Horsham Plaza, Dooen Hall, and Murtoa & District Neighbourhood House
- ◆ information stands at Haven and Jung markets
- ◆ presentations to Jung and Haven communities
- ◆ presentations to local community service groups
- ◆ Community Reference Group (CRG) meetings will resume in person in April.

We value the opportunity to create regional partnerships and support our communities. Upcoming partnerships for 2022 include:

- ◆ gold sponsor of the Murtoa Big Weekend in October
- ◆ discussions with Horsham East Rotary to be involved in the Schools Science and Engineering Challenge
- ◆ attending the Western Victoria Careers Expo in June
- ◆ attending the Mallee Machinery Field Days in August.

Avonbank Project Webinar Series

WIM held its first webinar for 2022 on 16th February with a presentation from GHD Environment explaining the Groundwater impact assessment. The session recording can be found on the webinar page of the WIM website under the **Avonbank EES – Documents & Presentations** submenu. The next webinar is scheduled for May.

Get in Touch

If you would like WIM to provide a project overview to your club or organisation, please contact Murray Wilson, Stakeholder Liaison Officer on 1800 959 298 or email mwilson@wimresource.com.au.

WIM's Facebook page is a convenient way to keep up to date with the latest Avonbank Project news and events. Like, follow, or share our page [@WIMResource](https://www.facebook.com/WIMResource).

