



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY
FOR THE AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

STANDING COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND TRANSPORT AND CITY SERVICES

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Media Release

Inquiry into the supply of water to the Tharwa community

On 24 October 2019, the Legislative Assembly of the ACT referred an inquiry on the supply of water to the Tharwa community to the Standing Committee on Environment and Transport and City Services. The Committee now invites submissions to this inquiry.

The terms of reference for the inquiry are attached below.

The Committee will look into and report on an ACT Government infrastructure development project to provide non-potable water for firefighting needs in Tharwa; the implementation of recommendations from the 'Tharwa Village Plan' 2018; historic issues surrounding the supply of potable and non-potable water to the village; and the projected growth of the village and how this is accommodated in water supply planning. The Committee has been instructed to report on these matters no later than 2 April 2020.

The Committee's terms of reference and other materials are accessible via the ACT Legislative Assembly website:

<https://www.parliament.act.gov.au/in-committees/standing-committees-current-assembly/standing-committee-on-environment-and-transport-and-city-services>

The Committee invites submissions from interested individuals and organisations to this inquiry.

Written submissions should be lodged with the Committee Secretary by close of business on Wednesday, 20 November 2019.

The Committee prefers all submissions to be lodged in electronic form (Word format), although handwritten submissions are acceptable. All submissions, including those sent electronically, must include a name, an email address, a postal address and a telephone contact number. Personal contact details will not be published.

Submissions should be forwarded to:

The Committee Secretary, Standing Committee on Environment and Transport and City Services, Legislative Assembly for the ACT, GPO Box 1020, CANBERRA ACT 2601.

Email: LACommitteeETCS@parliament.act.gov.au

The Committee intends to hold public hearings to assist its inquiry. Please be aware that the final witness selection rests with the Committee.

Further information on lodging a submission is available at: <http://www.parliament.act.gov.au/in-committees/Getting-involved>.

Any further enquiries can also be directed to the Committee Secretary, on 62050124 or email at: LACommitteeETCS@parliament.act.gov.au

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STATEMENT ENDS

Terms of Reference

Inquiry into the supply of water to the Tharwa community.

At its meeting on Thursday, 24 October 2019, the Assembly passed the following resolution:

“That:

- 1) the Standing Committee on Environment and Transport and City Services inquire into and report on the supply of water to the Tharwa community, with particular reference to:
 - a) the direction and progress of the “Non-Potable Water Supply at Tharwa for Firefighting project”;
 - b) the recommendations of the 2018 Tharwa Village Plan;
 - c) the historic issues surrounding the supply of potable and non-potable water to Tharwa village;
 - d) the projected growth of Tharwa village; and
 - e) any other relevant matter; and
- 2) the inquiry reports to the Assembly on the matter no later than the conclusion of the March 2020 sitting week.”