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MEDIA RELEASE

COLLIE RIVER IRRIGATION DISTRICT PIPING DESIGN COMMENCES

Harvey Water's focus on improving the irrigation network in the Colie River Irrigation District (CRID) has taken a step forward with the awarding of the CRID pipe design contract to consulting firm GHD last week.

The CRID comprises of over 200 kilometres of open channels, many of which are 80 years old. Despite a regular care and maintenance program, greater than 30% of water passing through these channels is lost due to seepage, leakage, evaporation or inefficient delivery practices.

The project will result in an engineered fit-for-purpose piped network to replace the current open channel system. The staged design will focus on efficient, cost effective delivery of water that will open up new opportunities for agriculture and horticulture.

In parallel with the piped design project, Harvey Water continues to support initiatives that will reduce the salinity of Wellington Dam as part of the State and Federal Government's commitment to the issue.

Harvey Water would like to extend their thanks to the proponents that expressed interest in the CRID piping design project.

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