



Barwon Water Biosolids

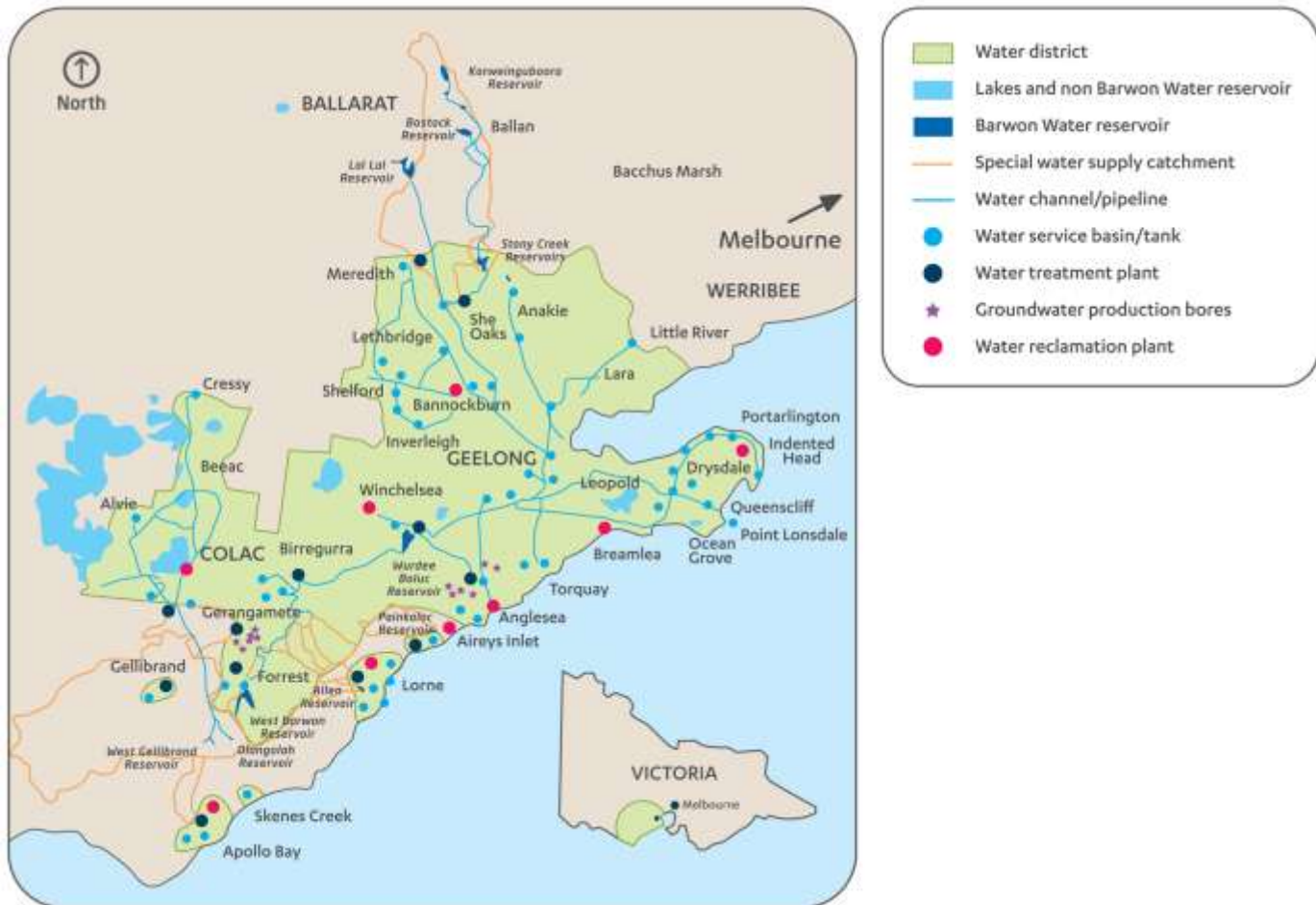
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Region Map





Biosolids Data

- 1996 – 2001 produced 180,000 wet tonnes.
 - Stored at Black Rock WRP in clay lined lagoons
- 2001 – 2012 produced 490,000 wet tonnes
 - Stored at Western Treatment Plant site
- 2004 – 2012 beneficially reused 90,000 product tonnes biosolids (equivalent of 420,000 wet tonnes)
 - Dried at Barwon Water's short term facility at WTP.



Short Term Biosolids Management Project



Truck delivering biosolids at Sludge Storage Lagoons



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Sludge Storage Lagoon

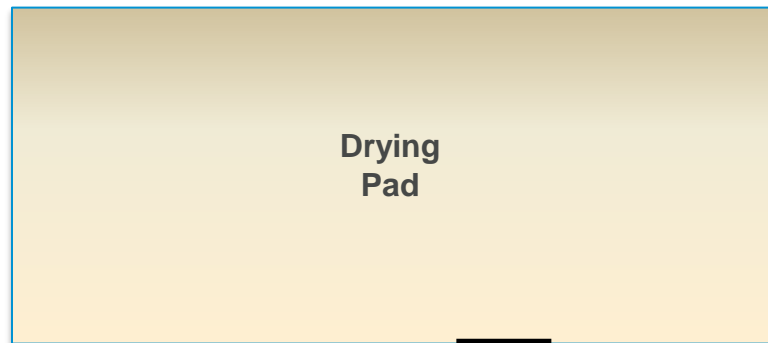
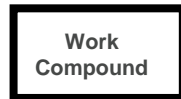
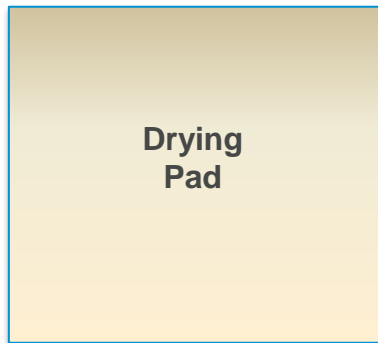


Short Term Biosolids Management Project

○ BW2005-04

○ BW2005-03

○ BW2005-02



○ BW2005-01





Short Term Biosolids Management Project



- Sludge stored for minimum 12 months.
- Volatile solids reduced from 80% to 60%
- Odour potential significantly reduced
- Dozer & excavator used to spread and windrow sludge
- Spends about 2 – 3 months on the drying pad.
- Stockpiled and tested at about 70% dry solids



Short Term Biosolids Management Project



Stockpiled biosolids ready for transport



Short Term Management Project



Biosolids being applied to farmland



Short Term Biosolids Management Project



Canola crop produced with the application of biosolids



Long Term Biosolids Management Project

- Barwon Water Biosolids Management Project is the first water infrastructure project successfully procured under the Partnerships Victoria framework.
- Plenary Environment is the sponsor for the design, construction, operation, maintenance and beneficial use for the twenty year contract term.



Long Term Biosolids Management Project





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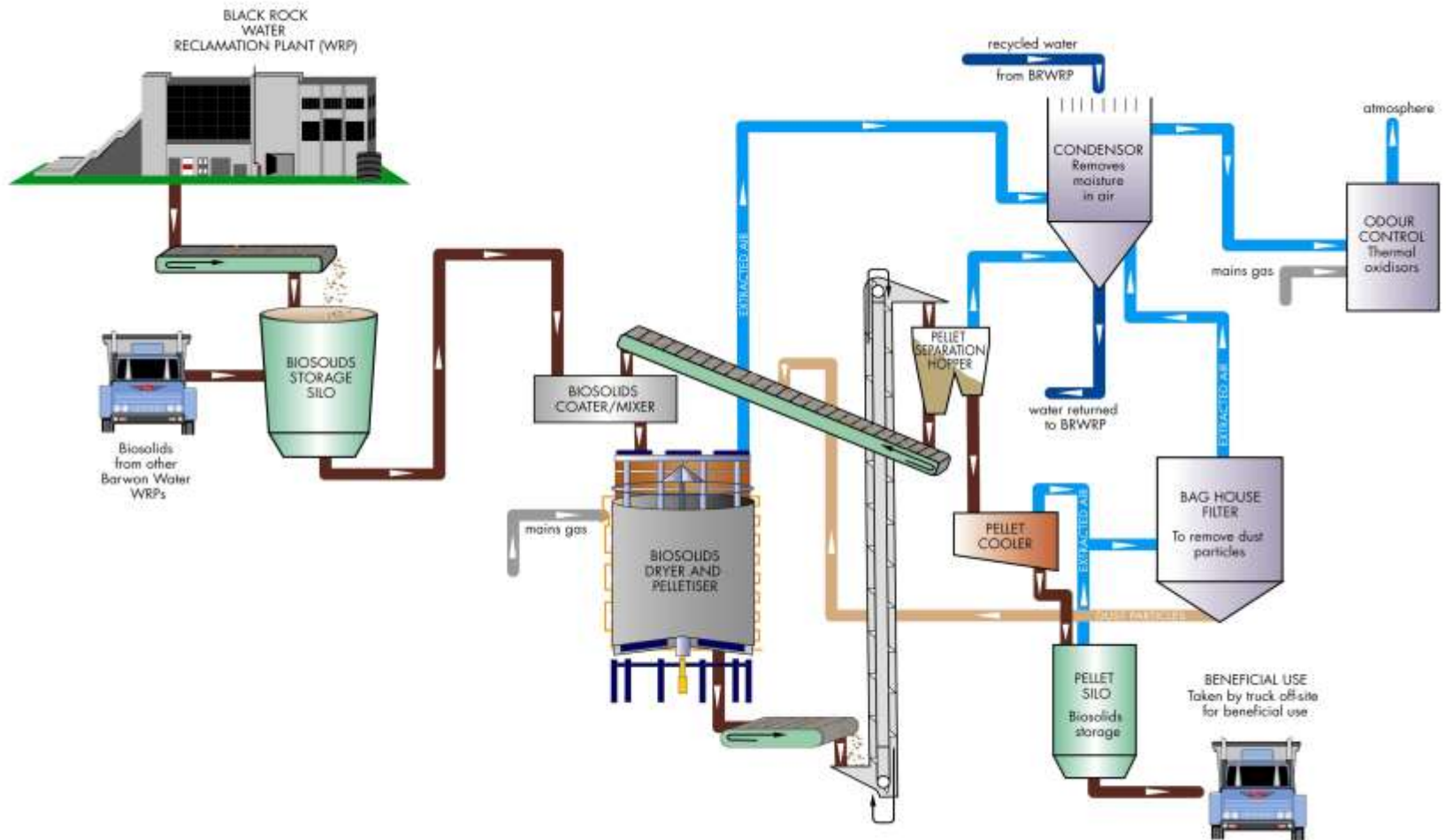




Thermal Driers



Process Description





Biosolids Pellets for Blending





Westmere Wheat Trials

Yield 7560 kg/ha sowed with XLPRILL Crop M

Versus

Yield 6658kg/ha sowed using conventional fertilisers using the same amount of nitrogen and phosphorus

- a difference of 912kg/ha means a difference of some \$236 bonus per/ha.
- Carbon 38%
- XLPRILL Crop M (12N 12P 6S 1K plus trace elements and carbon)



Biosolids Pellets – Nutrient Availability

Analyte	Total Digestion	3-4 weeks	6-8 weeks	12 weeks	Extraction % of Total
Nitrogen (%)	5.694			3.92	68.84
Phosphorus (%)	3.16	1.36	2.05	2.95	93.35
Potassium (%)	0.956	0.363	0.698	0.88	92.05
Sulphur (%)	1.04	0.097	0.145	0.63	60.58
Calcium (%)	1.35	0.121	0.98	1.30	96.30
Magnesium (%)	0.692	0.181	0.480	0.55	79.48
Sodium (%)	0.491	0.192	0.343	.350	71.28
Carbon (%)	28.58	-	-	-	-
Chloride (%)	-	.41	.47	.45	99.0
Aluminium (ppm)	12184	42.9	4028	6033	0.49
Copper (ppm)	624	0.97	1.10	71.60	11.15
Zinc (ppm)	851	133	386	729	85.66
Manganese (ppm)	314	60.5	209	285	90.76
Iron (ppm)	13357	822	4960	5189	38.84
Cobolt (ppm)	4.77	0.895	1.44	3.17	66.45
Boron (ppm)	47.5	18.9	30.73	40.7	85.68
Molybdenum (ppm)	1.47	0.181	0.44	1.105	75.12

Table 1: Breakdown Analysis of Pelletised Biosolids



Sustainable Operation for the Future

- Barwon Water has invested in a reliable and proven process to ensure biosolids can be beneficially reused in accordance with EPA Guidelines.
- Plant capable of accepting 60,500 tonnes wet biosolids between 12 – 22%.
- Operating life of 20 years.