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WELCOME

Welcome to the September 2005 edition of *Wastewater News*. You can find an electronic version of this document at our website:

<http://www.dh.sa.gov.au/pehs/newsletters.htm#wastewater>

Staff Changes

As some of you might have already read in the Environment Health newsletter, Kamran Mangi started with the Wastewater Management Section recently, replacing Katie Rouse who is now working for a private consultant.

Kamran is an Environmental Engineer with a Masters degree from Melbourne University. He worked as an engineer and managed various projects and constructions before joining the Department. He may be contacted for wastewater issues and waste control systems on 8226-7163 or by email Kamran.Mangi@health.sa.gov.au.

Wastewater Management Conference

Following the success of the two previous Wastewater conferences (2001 and 2003), the Wastewater Management section is planning another 3-day conference for mid-February 2006, to be held in Adelaide.

The conference will include 2 days of seminars, a one-day field trip and a dinner for all delegates. Those who attended the conference dinner in Murray Bridge in 2003 will be itching to repeat the last performance!

Further details will be on your desks in the next few weeks.

Draft Connections Code

Due to increased numbers of inquiries and use of the Draft Connections Code, we have now put it on the Web:

<http://www.dh.sa.gov.au/pehs/environ-health-index.htm>

The draft Code details the house connections to sewage, STED, STEP and vacuum systems.

We're hoping to finalise the Code in the near future.

Community Water Grants

The Federal government has launched the Community Water Grant initiative to help local community organisations save, reuse or improve the health of their local water sources. This initiative is part of a \$2 billion Australian Government Water Fund.

Grants of up to \$50,000 are available to most community-based organisations (including Local Government) for projects related to:

- Water saving / efficiency
- Water reuse / recycling
- Improving surface and groundwater health

Applications close 4 October 2005. For more details contact:

Paul Francis (Australian Government NRM Facilitator – Water), SA Natural Resource Management Team on (08) 8303-8673 or email: paul.francis@csiro.au

For projects concerning wastewater, contact the Wastewater Management Section before making your submission to be sure requirements are met.

The Community Grants website is:

<http://www.communitywatergrants.gov.au/>

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