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### What is recycled water?

Recycled water is supplied via purple pipes and taps to homes for non-drinking purposes such as washing clothes, garden watering, toilet flushing and car washing.

If you have access to recycled water, you can make use of it to reduce your water bills, help our environment, and protect water sources for the future.

### Areas that have recycled water

Residents, businesses, parks and community facilities in the following Hume areas are supplied with recycled water via a dedicated 'purple pipe' network:

- Mickleham
- Kalkallo
- · Craigieburn, west of Aitken Boulevard
- · Greenvale, north of Somerton Road

## More about recycled water

Recycled water supplied to homes is 'Class A' – a high quality of recycled water. It is strictly monitored to ensure it meets water quality standards according to the guidelines set by the Department of Health and Human Services and the Environment Protection Authority (EPA).

Recycled water is not subject to water restrictions and costs less than drinking water. (Source: Yarra Valley Water)

Class A recycled water is treated and disinfected to an extremely high standard, so accidental consumption is unlikely to make you sick. If you have consumed recycled water and feel unwell, consult your doctor.

For further information, please contact Yarra Valley Water: **yvw.com.au/recycledwater** 

## What can you use recycled water for?

#### Recycled water is suitable for:

- washing clothes
- watering lawns and gardens, including fruit trees, vegetables and herbs
- flushing your toilet
- washing your car, outdoor furniture and hard surfaces (like paths, walls and windows)
- ponds and water features (change water regularly to minimise algal growth).



# What can't you use recycled water for?

#### Recycled water is not suitable for:

- drinking
- cooking or use in the kitchen
- evaporative cooling
- bathing or showering
- filling pools or spas
- hand-held toilet or bidet sprays
- water toys.