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Work starts on major Hobart distribution pipeline replacement

Work has commenced to upgrade one of greater Hobart's major water distribution pipelines to ensure reliability of supply for customers.

The \$2.4M project will replace a section of the Claremont Trunk water pipeline that runs along the Brooker Highway in Berriedale and provides water from the West Derwent System to the Tolosa Reservoirs.

Capital Delivery Office (CDO) Delivery Manager Chris Le Grange said the pipeline section is almost 60 years old and 370 metres in length.

"The renewal of this pipe which is the primary source of water in the Glenorchy area, will increase the reliability of water supply and significantly reduce unplanned service interruptions," Mr Le Grange said.

Historically, the old pipeline has failed at various locations along its length, causing loss of water supply to customers.

"Constructed in 1962, the large 571mm diameter MSCL (Mild Steel Cement Lined) pipe will be removed and replaced in 12 metre sections," he said.

There are no planned road closures for the Brooker Highway, however traffic management and a part road closure will be in place when the pipeline is replaced under Berriedale Road.

"We're working with the Glenorchy City Council, the State Government and impacted residents to ensure minimal disruption while this important work is undertaken."

TasWater is continuing to roll out water main renewal works across the state, ensuring our customers receive reliable essential services.

The project is expected to be completed by the end of September 2021.

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