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## Media Release

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### **Behind the scenes tour for AWA Young Water Professionals**

The Australian Water Association (AWA) in partnership with TasWater hosted a professional development event at Waterworks Reserve in Hobart, followed by a site tour of the upgraded Blackmans Bay Sewage Treatment Plant (STP).

Around 20 AWA Young Water Professionals from Stornoway, Hazell Brothers, the Department of Primary Industries, Parks, Water and Environment and other organisations toured the sites.

The AWA Young Water Professional Program aims to attract, engage and empower Tasmania's young water professionals and emerging leaders.

Community and Stakeholder Engagement Officer Kate Beard said these special interest tours allow TasWater to engage with industry professionals, to share knowledge and build networks.

"It provides the chance for the water professionals to see our infrastructure, the technologies we use, and the improvements being made in the water and sewerage industry."

"In addition, it allows our experienced staff to pass on their knowledge to those starting out in their career."

"Young professionals are important so organisations like TasWater can continue to deliver essential services to Tasmanians."

At Waterworks Reserve, attendees learnt about the science and engineering that is involved to get drinking water from the environment to the taps. The Blackmans Bay STP visit featured a demonstration of what it takes to process wastewater and return it back to the environment in a safe and sustainable way.

"We have had some great feedback from those who took part in the tours and look forward to delivering more of them in the future," Ms Beard said.

The day was organised through the AWA as part of their program to engage their members through visiting places, hearing about emerging products and networking with others in the industry.

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