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## Media Release

### **Flow-on effect of sewer works a huge win for local economy**

The sewer reticulation rehabilitation project has pumped more than what you might think around Cunnamulla.

Over the past three and a half months since works started in late July 2019, Abergeldie and their workers have spent over \$175,000.00 in the local community.

Paroo Shire Mayor Cr Lindsay Godfrey has been very impressed with how Abergeldie workers have integrated themselves into the local community.

“Not only have the Abergeldie team done great work with the sewer project, they have really lived like locals while they have been based in Cunnamulla,” he said.

“Through their spending on items such as accommodation, food, entertainment and fuel it’s given a huge boost to the local economy, bringing in money that wouldn’t have been here otherwise. They even sponsored a local bowls competition.

“‘Local Content’ is a requirement in each of our tenders and we ask prospective contractors to show how they’re going to spend as much money as possible in the shire, instead of bringing goods and services in from elsewhere. And Abergeldie have certainly delivered.”

Ninety percent of the project has been delivered and the completion is expected in February/March 2020. The tender submissions for the second part of the project, the upgrading of the Sewage Treatment Plant, are being presented to Council at the November Council meeting.

The Sewage Treatment Plant and Sewer Relining projects were funded through a special funding program from the Department of Local Government, Multicultural Affairs and Racing.

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