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COOTAMUNDRA-GUNDAGAI REGIONAL COUNCIL COMMENCES FIRE HYDRANT INSPECTION AND MAINTENANCE PROGRAM

Cootamundra-Gundagai Regional Council (CGRC) will shortly commence a comprehensive fire hydrant inspection and maintenance program across both Cootamundra and Gundagai as part of its ongoing commitment to maintaining a safe, reliable and resilient water supply network. Council has engaged BIDS Construction Pty Ltd to assist Council in completing this important work.

Fire hydrants are critical community assets that provide emergency water supplies for firefighting and play an important role in protecting lives, property and infrastructure during emergencies. Regular inspection, testing and maintenance ensures hydrants remain operational, accessible and compliant with relevant standards.

The program will involve locating and inspecting hydrants, testing water pressure and flow rates, flushing hydrants, identifying defects and undertaking necessary maintenance work where required. The inspections will cover approximately 800 hydrants in Cootamundra and 400 hydrants across Gundagai and South Gundagai.

During the inspection and testing process, residents may notice Council contractors operating hydrants in their area. While every effort will be made to minimise disruption, there may be occasional instances where water appears discoloured following hydrant flushing activities. This is a temporary condition caused by the disturbance of naturally occurring sediment within water mains. If residents experience discoloured water, Council recommends running a cold water tap for several minutes until the water clears. In most cases, this simple flushing process will quickly restore normal water quality.

CGRC appreciates the community's patience and understanding while this important infrastructure maintenance program is undertaken. The work will help ensure the region's fire hydrant network remains reliable and ready to support emergency services when required.

For further information, residents can contact Cootamundra-Gundagai Regional Council on 1300 459 689.

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