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'Leed Engineering and Construction' have been awarded the contract to undertake the expansion of the *Murray Bridge Stormwater Management and Reuse Scheme* to include harvesting from stormwater basins at Howard Road, Homburg Drive and Kuchel Reserve. The proposed works will include:

- Replacement of three existing pump stations that are nearing the end of their useful life;
- Earthworks to enlarge the existing stormwater basins;
- New pipelines to improve the efficiency of disposal of stormwater from these basins;
- A new control system that will enable Council staff to remotely operate the Scheme; and
- Water quality improvement, landscaping and restoration works at the project sites.

In addition to maximizing the volume of stormwater that can be harvested for irrigation of Council's open space, the proposed works will improve the drainage performance and level of flood protection for this area of Murray Bridge. The new pump stations will be able to pump to both the Gifford Hill Lagoon and the River Murray simultaneously, effectively doubling the capacity of the existing flood management system. Using the new control system Council will now be able to remotely monitor the water levels in the basins and adjust pump rates and sequencing to manage flood risk in real time.

The works, which will be completed in April 2016, will also include a new harvesting system for the stormwater basin at the Gifford Hill Racetrack.

The *Murray Bridge Stormwater Management and Reuse Scheme* is being delivered by Council, in partnership with the Australian Government, the Murray Bridge Racing Club and the Gifford Hill Joint Venture. The Scheme is supported through funding from the Australian Government's *National Urban Water and Desalination Plan*.

Further information on the Scheme is available via www.murraybridge.sa.gov.au or by collecting a Project Fact Sheet from the Local Government Centre at 2 Seventh Street, Murray Bridge. If you have any queries please contact Council on 8539 1160.

The existing Homburg Drive pump station and basin, which will be upgraded as part of the upcoming works

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