# **Policy**



Title of Policy	SMRC Wastewater Services			
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Aim	To deliver adequate wastewater services to customers			

## Scope

Snowy Monaro Regional Council (SMRC) is committed to providing our customers with high quality Water and Wastewater Services. The Water and Wastewater Services section manages the collection, treatment, re-use and disposal of treated effluent safely back into the environment.

This policy and supporting documentation describes the processes implemented by Council to facilitate delivery of services to customers who are connected to Council's reticulated wastewater/ sewerage system.

## **Purpose**

- To provide wastewater services inclusive of Liquid Trade Waste management in accordance with adopted Strategic Business Plan objectives and levels of service.
- To manage assets in a financially sustainable manner.
- To provide wastewater services in accordance with NSW Government regulatory requirements relating to environmental health, public health and workplace safety.
- To reuse treated effluent where it is beneficial and financially feasible to do so.

## **Definitions**

### Wastewater

Water-carried waste, in solution or suspension that is intended to be removed from a community. Also known as sewage, it is more than 99% water and is characterised by volume or rate of flow, physical condition, chemical constituents and the bacteriological organisms that it contains. The terms 'sewage' and 'sewerage' are sometimes interchanged.

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## **Policy Statement**

SMRC will provide wastewater services compliant with NSW EPA requirements in areas defined in the Strategic Business Plan by:

- Ensuring all works are provided in accordance with SMRC and other relevant Engineering Standards.
- Providing agreed services to property owners connected to wastewater systems.
- Controlling wastewater quality from commercial and non-residential properties through the implementation of the Liquid Trade Waste Policy and program.
- Not permitting shared pump-up systems, nor assuming responsibility for the acquisition of easements and/or maintenance of private pump-up systems.
- Reusing treated effluent where it is beneficial and financially feasible to do so.

### **Documentation**

Water Supply Policy

Liquid Trade Waste Policy/Regulation

Responsibility of Council Pipes on Private Property

Water & Sewer Connection Procedure

#### **Variation**

Council reserves the right to review, vary or revoke this policy and should be reviewed periodically to ensure it is relevant and appropriate.

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