

# Building and Plumbing Newsflash 541

## Pimpama-Coomera area approved to opt-in to the Queensland Development Code for supplementary water supply

### Purpose

To advise that the City of Gold Coast Council has been approved to opt-in to the Queensland Development Code (QDC) for supplementary water supply systems in the Pimpama-Coomera dual reticulation pipe network area.

As a result, under the QDC new houses and commercial buildings on properties located in the area covered by dual reticulation pipe network (which was installed as part of the Pimpama-Coomera Class A+ recycled water scheme) must be connected to the network.

### Background

Local governments are able to mandate the installation and connection of supplementary water supply systems for all or a certain part of their area under QDC [Part 4.2–Rainwater tanks and other supplementary water supply systems](#) (QDC 4.2 for residential buildings) and [Part 4.3–Supplementary water sources](#) (QDC 4.3 for commercial buildings). Since 1 February 2013, a local government can be approved to 'opt-in' where they can demonstrate that to do so will provide a net benefit to their local community. This supports local government's ability to tailor water supply measures suitable to their local conditions.

The City of Gold Coast Council applied to opt-in to the QDC for new houses under QDC 4.2 (class 1 buildings) and for new commercial buildings under QDC 4.3 (classes 3 to 9 buildings) on properties located within the Pimpama-Coomera area. These properties need to be connected to the existing dual reticulation pipe network until the dual pipe network has been replaced with a single pipe network.

The Minister has approved Council's opt-in application for this part area of the Gold Coast.

### Application

#### Properties within the Pimpama-Coomera dual reticulation area

Connections to the Pimpama-Coomera dual reticulation network are required for new houses and for new commercial buildings on properties located within the Pimpama-Coomera area.

#### Planning and siting requirements

For information about planning and siting requirements for properties located within the Pimpama-Coomera dual reticulation area, contact the [City of Gold Coast Council](#).

## Building and plumbing approvals

The requirement for a new house or commercial building to be connected to the Pimpama-Coomera dual reticulation network will be triggered as part of the building and plumbing application process by the relevant authority.

### More information

Information about 'water supply systems' and the current versions of QDC 4.2 and QDC 4.3 are available on the department's website at [www.hpw.qld.gov.au](http://www.hpw.qld.gov.au).

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