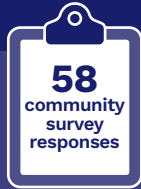


We recently asked you about your **values** and **priorities** for managing water in the Macedon Ranges.



322
community
conversations



Community survey snapshot

Most important ways water is used



Drinking



Maintaining ecosystems

including making sure there are enough water flows in creeks and rivers to support wildlife and native flora



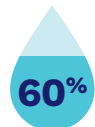
Household use

including toilets, cleaning and gardening

At a glance



93%
local residents



prefer recycled water to be used locally (irrigation)

Recycled water is



useful
back to septic
underutilised
nutrient overload
Deep Creek
cheap to do
class B
not pristine

non-potable
agriculture
grey
second rate
pollution
treatment necessary



use
vague
harm
population
standards
impurities
contaminated
misunderstood
protects nature
storm
important
resource
wasted
cleanliness
management
economics



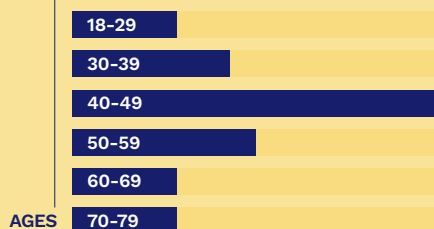
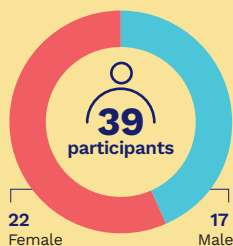
Releasing recycled water into waterways:

Most people felt that it can be a good thing, depending on conditions

Online community workshops

Two online workshops from randomly selected community members across the Macedon Ranges.

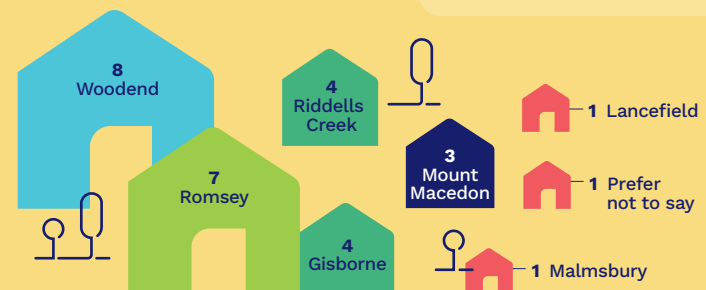
Demographic overview



Macedon Ranges –
GWW service area



29 residences from these suburbs in the Macedon Ranges GWW service area



Macedon Ranges –
other

10
Kyneton

Resulting values

These values will be used as we plan future projects and community consultation.



Maintaining healthy waterways and habitats



Making sure safe drinking water is always available for all



Making appropriate water accessible for all



Being prepared for the future



Educating the community about how we manage water



Finding innovative solutions to managing water



Keeping prices low for water users



Reducing the carbon cost of managing water



Protecting cultural heritage



Protecting the local economy

“Building and maintaining community trust is vital.”

“I think collaboration... is essential to [the] long term success of water management.”

“If we mismanage our waterways, we have nothing else.”

“You don’t put any value on water until you’ve not got any. When you’re in a drought, you wish you saved it all.”