Installation of Environmental Controls and Monitoring – Kendall Bay Sediment Remediation Project

Jemena wish to notify you of the next stage of works; the installation of environmental controls in Kendall Bay in preparation for remediation works.

Historically, Kendall Bay was utilised for the loading and unloading of coal and other materials for the adjacent Mortlake Gasworks (operational through 1886-1980’s) which resulted in contamination of sediment in the Bay. Environmental investigations completed over the past 15 years to identify the nature and extent of contamination have informed the planning and management of these works.

The Project received Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (DPI&E) consent in May 2019, and the project team continues to work closely with the EPA and the Site Auditor to deliver this Project. Following site mobilisation and commencing establishment of Jemena’s Tennyson Road Staging Site in September, the next stage of works will comprise:

- The installation of environmental controls which are designed to protect water quality, the marine ecology and manage potential impacts of the works. These controls comprise several levels of protection;
  - The primary silt curtain running from the northern to south-western portion of the bay, and a secondary silt curtain in the southern remediation area of the bay.
  - Installation of Mooring piles as anchoring points for equipment, barges and silt curtains during the works.
  - Installation of two Sheet Pile Walls (approx. 0.5m above sea level) surrounding portions of the northern and southern remediation areas.
  - Installation of monitoring devices to measure water quality indicators.

Installation of sheet piles involves driving piles into the riverbed, similar to the small sheet pile structure installed during the field trial in Kendall Bay in August 2018. These works are percussive in nature, and in response to community feedback, we have carefully scheduled these works so that they are not undertaken between 22nd December 2019 – 5th January 2020.

Construction works will be undertaken Monday to Friday 7.00am – 6.00pm and Saturdays 8.00am – 1.00pm in accordance with the DPI&E consent conditions for the project.

Jemena and its contractor Ventia will ensure every effort is made to minimise the impact of this work on the community.

We appreciate your patience and understanding whilst we complete this important remediation project.