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Dear Householder

**GROUNDWATER AFFECTED BY SITE CONTAMINATION - ALLENBY GARDENS/FLINDERS PARK GROUNDWATER (BOREWATER) PROHIBITION AREA**

I am writing to all households within the Allenby Gardens/Flinders Park groundwater prohibition area to provide an update of outcomes from the information sessions held in relation to the prohibition.

Thank you to those who attended the Environment Protection Authority (EPA) community information sessions held on 16 and 18 February, and 2 April at the Flinders Park Community Hall. During these information sessions residents raised many valid questions regarding the proposed groundwater prohibition area. Questions have also been raised outside of these sessions by groups and individuals. The EPA has endeavoured to answer all questions raised by the community and the attached document provides answers to these questions.

After careful consideration of the issues raised, the EPA has decided that the establishment of a groundwater prohibition area remains the best approach to protect current and future residents from contaminated groundwater. Accordingly, the prohibition will commence on 13 June 2013.

The EPA will notify residents within the water prohibition area if there is a substantial change in the groundwater contamination and/or where a modification of the established area is warranted.

Residents within the water prohibition area are reminded of their obligation, under section 103S of the *Environment Protection Act 1993* (the Act), not to use the groundwater for any purpose from the first and second quaternary aquifers.

The Act establishes a maximum penalty of \$8000 for those who use bore water within the prohibition area.

**Further information and contacting the EPA**

If you have any concerns or questions, or if you would like to discuss this letter with an EPA officer, please call the EPA toll free on 1800 729 175 (8am to 5pm weekdays) or contact the EPA by email, [epainfo@epa.sa.gov.au](mailto:epainfo@epa.sa.gov.au).

Yours sincerely



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