

New tank at Burringurrah

BURRINGURRAH Community members are rapt with the new 13.5m overhead water tank which has recently been erected at Burringurrah Aboriginal Community in the Upper Gascoyne Region.

The new tank is part of an overall upgrade to the water system at the community funded by ATSIIC Regional Office, and project managed by local Geraldton company GHD.

The previous water supply system had a number of deficiencies and was barely coping with water demand at the community in summer months. The new works will bring the water supply system into line with the service characteristics of equivalent country town water supply schemes in the State.

ATSIIC Field Officer Paul Baron said the water supply funding allocation was the last stage in a three year infrastructure development at the community which has

included new housing, sealing of town roads, a new sewerage system and servicing of new housing lots for future town growth.

The upgrade program included drilling and equipping of three new bores, borefield delivery pipelines, new 350kL ground storage tank, transfer water pump

station, 100kL overhead tank and replacement UV treatment unit. The existing electrical control systems were upgraded and a new telemetry system installed to provide automated filling of the ground tank and then the new overhead tank.

The overhead tank feeds directly into the town reticulation, and significantly gravity backfeeds into Edney's Community a distance of 1.5km away.

New bores were drilled and developed by

Water Corporation and local drillers Dril-Air.

Geraldton firm Central Earthmoving were the head contractors for the infrastructure works. They utilised mainly Geraldton sub-contractors in Central West Electrical and Energy Reticulation Services for power supply provision and electrical works. Aquastor, a Midland company, manufactured and installed the ground and overhead tanks.