




ANNUAL Conference

8-10 SEPTEMBER 2026

Day 1 - Program

Wednesday 9 September

8:20am	Registration
8:50am	Welcome - Jo Lim, CEO, VicWater
8:55am	Welcome to Country - Daniel Ross, Wurundjeri Man
9:05am	Chair's Opening Remarks - Therese Tierney, Chair, VicWater
9:15am	Partner Address - Sean Ellis, General Manager Strategy & Growth, Vision Super
9:25am	Keynote Presentation - Stephen Scheeler, CEO, Omniscient A.I. and former CEO, Facebook Aust. & NZ
10:25am	Morning Tea Break
10:45am	Panel – Balancing Demand: Data Centres and Victoria's Water Future Cameron FitzGerald - Greater Western Water, James Smart - Maddocks, Matt O'Rourke - AWS, facilitated by Tara Daniel, VicWater
11:30am	West Wodonga Project: Putting Circular Economy into Practice Jo Murdoch, North East Water
12:00pm	Victorian Murray Floodplain Restoration: A Case Study in Environmental Stewardship Paul Northey, Lower Murray Water
12:30pm	Lunch Break
1:15pm	TCV Economic Outlook - Phin Zeibell, Treasury Corporation Victoria
1:45pm	Zero Emissions Water: Driving the Sector's Transition to Net Zero Shaun Cumming, Barwon Water and Damian Wells, Coliban Water
2:15pm	Panel - Strengthening Supply: Leading the Future of Water Security David Hughes-Owen - Busselton Water, Nicole Davis - Icon Water, Tony Wong - Monash University, facilitated by Lucy Hovanec, GHD
3:00pm	Afternoon Tea Break
3:20pm	A View from the UK Water Industry - Hayley Monks, Echo Managed Services with Jo Lim
3:35pm	IWN: Celebrating Excellence in Innovation - Jason Cotton, IWN
4:15pm	Supporting Sector Innovation - AWS with Jason Cotton
4:25pm	Water Industry Pulse Check - Jo Lim, VicWater and James Garriock, Tingwall
4:40pm	Close - Conference Sessions Conclude for Day 1
6:30pm	Annual Conference Dinner (Inc. pre dinner drinks)

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Day 2 - Program Thursday 10 September

8:30am	Coffee and Networking
9:00am	Welcome Back - Jo Lim, CEO, VicWater
9:10am	Keynote Presentation - Carla McGrath, Co-Founder and Director, Turnstone Collective
10:10am	From Data to Impact: Shared Customer Insights Across the Sector James Garriock, Tingwall and Geoff Russell, Westernport Water
10:50am	Morning Tea Break
11:10am	From Commitment to Culture: Wannon Water's Employer of Choice Journey Steve Waterhouse and Anna Stow, Wannon Water
11:40am	Partnership in Practice: Working with Traditional Owners Nerina di Lorenzo, Melbourne Water
12:10pm	Regulators Panel: Aligning for Excellence Rebecca Billings - ESC, Joss Crawford - EPA, Evelyn Wong - Dept. Health, facilitated by Jo Lim, VicWater
12:50pm	Interactive Wrap up session - Jo Lim and Therese Tierney, VicWater
1:15pm	Lunch and Depart

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