



## Annual Audit Compliance Report Form

*Environmental Protection Act 1986, Part V*

Once completed, please submit this form either via email to [info-der@dwer.wa.gov.au](mailto:info-der@dwer.wa.gov.au), or to the below postal address:

Department of Water and Environmental Regulation  
Locked Bag 33 Cloisters Square  
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### Section A – Licence Details

Licence number:	L6268/1991/10	Licence file number:	DER2013/001355
Licence holder:	Water Corporation		
Trading as:	Halls Creek Wastewater Treatment Plant		
ABN:	28 003 434 917		
Registered address:	629 Newcastle Street, LEEDERVILLE, WA 6007		
Reporting period:	01/07/2023 to 30/06/2024		

### Section B – Statement of Compliance with Licence Conditions

Did you comply with all your licence conditions during the reporting period?  
(Please tick the appropriate box)

- ☐ Yes – please complete:
- section C.
  - section D if required; and
  - sign the declaration in Section F.
- ☒ No – please complete:
- section C.
  - section D if required.
  - section E; and
  - sign the declaration at Section F.

### Section C – Statement of Actual Production

Provide the actual production quantity for this reporting period. Supporting documentation is to be attached.

Prescribed Premises Category	Actual Production Quantity
54	504 m <sup>3</sup> /day


### Section D – Statement of Actual Part 2 Waste Discharge Quantity

Provide the actual Part 2 waste discharge quantity for this reporting period. Supporting documentation is to be attached.

Prescribed Premises Category	Actual Part 2 Waste Discharge Quantity
Not applicable.	

Section E – Details of Non-Compliance with Licence Condition			
Please use a separate page for each condition with which the licence holder was non-compliant at a time during the reporting period.			
Condition no:	1.3.3 (Table 1.3.2)	Date(s) of non-compliance:	29/02/2024 and 02/04/2024
Details of non-compliance:			
<p>Treated wastewater discharged from evaporation pond to China Wall Pool through emergency discharge point to avoid overtopping during, and following rain events.</p> <p>Rainfall did not exceed extreme weather event 72-hour trigger therefore releases are considered non-compliances.</p>			
<p>What was the actual (or suspected) environmental impact of the non-compliance?</p> <p><b>NOTE</b> – please attach maps or diagrams to provide insight into the precise location of where the non-compliance took place.</p>			
<p>No actual or suspected environmental impact. Wastewater was run through a bucket of chlorine tablets to allow some level of chlorination throughout both discharges.</p> <p>The February 2024 overflow was heavily diluted with rainfall and environmental samples taken at China Wall Pool did not show an impact on the environment.</p> <p>The April 2024 discharge consisted of heavily diluted treated wastewater.</p>			
Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:			
<p>Both events were the result of rainfall and sewer system inundation exceeding plant capacity.</p> <p>Halls Creek monthly rainfall totals from January to March 2024 can be seen below:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Jan: 284.2 mm.</li> <li>- Feb: 274.6 mm.</li> <li>- Mar: 157.6 mm.</li> </ul>			
Action taken to mitigate any adverse effects of non-compliance and prevent recurrence of the non-compliance:			
<p>Both discharges were run through a bucket of chlorine tablets to allow some level of chlorination.</p> <p>Water Corporation continues to look at long term options for Halls Creek Wastewater Treatment Plant given facility routinely overflows when consistent high rainfall is received over summer.</p>			
Was this non-compliance previously reported to DWER?			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No			
<input type="checkbox"/> Reported to DWER verbally		Date:    /    /	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reported to DWER in writing		Date: 29/02/2024 and 02/04/2024	

Section E – Details of Non-Compliance with Licence Condition			
Please use a separate page for each condition with which the licence holder was non-compliant at a time during the reporting period.			
Condition no:	1.3.5 (e)	Date(s) of non-compliance:	08/05/2024
Details of non-compliance:			
Vegetation and floating debris (emergent or otherwise) present in treatment ponds. During an inspection scum, debris and a small amount of vegetation was identified in treatment ponds.			
What was the actual (or suspected) environmental impact of the non-compliance? <b>NOTE</b> – please attach maps or diagrams to provide insight into the precise location of where the non-compliance took place.			
Minimal impact due to remote location of wastewater treatment plan.			
Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:			
Lack of inlet screening and high rag loading of influent contributed to the issue.			
Action taken to mitigate any adverse effects of non-compliance and prevent recurrence of the non-compliance:			
Vegetation: Discussed with Operations about the need to better manage weeds on site.			
Floating debris: Halls Creek Wastewater Treatment Plant was last desludged in 2018. Further desludging to be prioritized in the 2025/2026 financial year.			
Was this non-compliance previously reported to DWER?			
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No			
<input type="checkbox"/> Reported to DWER verbally		Date:    /    /	
<input type="checkbox"/> Reported to DWER in writing		Date:    /    /	

Section F – Declaration			
I / We declare that the information in this Annual Audit Compliance Report is true and correct and is not false or misleading in a material particular <sup>1</sup> .			
I / We consent to the Annual Audit Compliance Report being published on the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation's (DWER) website.			
Signature <sup>2</sup> :		Signature:	
Name: (printed)		Name: (printed)	
Position:		Position:	
Date:	24/09/2024	Date:	
Seal (if signing under seal):			

<sup>1</sup> It is an offence under section 112 of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* for a person to give information on this form that to their knowledge is false or misleading in a material particular.

<sup>2</sup> AACRs can only be signed by the licence holder or an authorised person with the legal authority to sign on behalf of the licence holder.