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## **Funding for water supply schemes**

Wyndham and Tuatapere have received nearly \$1.8 million in funding from Government to build and upgrade respectively their water supply schemes.

Southland District Council Chief Executive David Adamson said water quality is critical to the Southland public and the Council. This funding will help to provide Wyndham and Tuatapere residents with safe and clean drinking water.

“With changing land use in the District, our water supplies are also changing and not always for the better, so providing good quality drinking water becomes more challenging, but is one of the cornerstones of sustainability.

“This funding means the water supply schemes for these two towns will meet the drinking water quality standards – standards we have targeted within our LTCCP,” Mr Adamson said.

Tuatapere receives \$378,727 to upgrade its water supply scheme, while Wyndham receives \$1,416,421 to build a new scheme in conjunction with Edendale. The reticulation for that scheme is being built alongside the reticulation for the new sewerage scheme for the two towns.

“Council thanks Government for recognising the need in our smaller rural towns and also recognising the residents in these towns simply cannot always meet the costs of increasing infrastructural demands,” he said.

“The funding is great news and we are thrilled to be able to move forward with the work needed.”

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