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Hon M Trenorden MLC
Chairman
Standing Committee on Public Administration
Parliament House
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Dear Mr Trenorden

**INQUIRY INTO RECREATION ACTIVITIES WITHIN PUBLIC DRINKING WATER
SOURCE AREAS**

Thank you for your invitation to provide comment to the inquiry in your letter dated 1 October 2009.

There are no Public Drinking Water Source Areas such as dams or reservoirs within the City of Joondalup. The City does however sit above the Perth metropolitan area's major northern groundwater source, the Gnangara Mound.

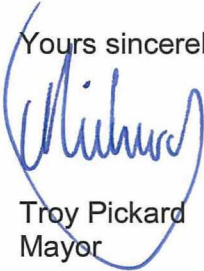
This ground water source, along with all other ground water sources, is subject to the Department of Water's state wide Policy #13 which specifies the appropriate uses within the groundwater areas subject to the priority status of the water body.

The City is cognisant of its responsibilities with respect to minimising potential pollution of the groundwater and has instigated processes to control the quality of stormwater which infiltrates into the Gnangara Mound. These are predominantly pollutant trapping devices and nutrient stripping facilities within the drainage network.

Strategically, the City's Environment Plan 2007-2011 devotes a complete chapter (Chapter 2.0 Water) to the issues of water quality and water quantity. I have attached a copy of the Plan for your information.

Should you have any queries with respect to the above please do not hesitate to contact the City's Director Infrastructure Services, Mr Martyn Glover on 9400 4464.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Troy Pickard', is written over the typed name and title.

Troy Pickard
Mayor