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*Towards New Horizons*

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Dear Sir / Madam

***Draft Victorian River Health Strategy***

The City of Knox is currently conducting a number of programs and projects, which address some of the issues outlined in the Healthy Rivers, Healthy Communities & Regional Growth Draft Victorian River Health Strategy. The Stormwater Quality Management Plan for the municipality was finalised last year and has targeted priority issues according to sub-catchments in the municipality. Additionally, the Water Sensitive Urban Design (WSUD) Implementation Guidelines for Knox has been finalised and endorsed by Council which will facilitate an improvement on stormwater quality and quantity. The intention is for these documents be formalised and incorporated into the Planning Scheme.

Additionally, the City of Knox participates in the Water Watch Program, Water Way Activity Plans and Platypus monitoring. Knox Council also has representation on the Port Phillip and Westernport CALP Board and the Dandenong Catchment Implementation Committee. Through this involvement, we envisage to be fully informed of the outcomes for the Victorian River Health Strategy, which will enable Knox Council to be included in any action plans to meet the goals of the strategy.

Yours sincerely

**Luke Murphy**  
Conservation Officer