



ETHELTON ASSESSMENT AREA

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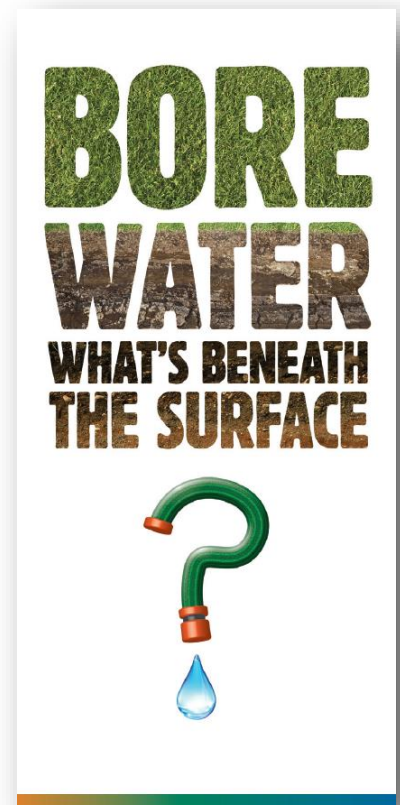
The Environment Protection Authority (EPA) has been undertaking environmental assessments in Ethelton since December 2020. The work has been investigating groundwater contamination associated with a former dry cleaning business that operated on Marion Street. The goal of the assessment was to determine whether this contamination may be a risk to residents.

The most recent assessment shows that the extent of groundwater contamination has reduced significantly. The remaining contamination is now limited to an isolated section of the assessment area only.

While the groundwater contamination is not widespread, the EPA recommends any resident seeking to use bore water should have it tested to ensure it is [fit for purpose](#). A list of SA Health approved laboratories is available on their [website](#).

The groundwater contamination no longer poses a risk of vapour intrusion and therefore indoor air is not affected.

For more information, including past reports please visit the [Ethelton EPA Assessment Area](#) webpage.

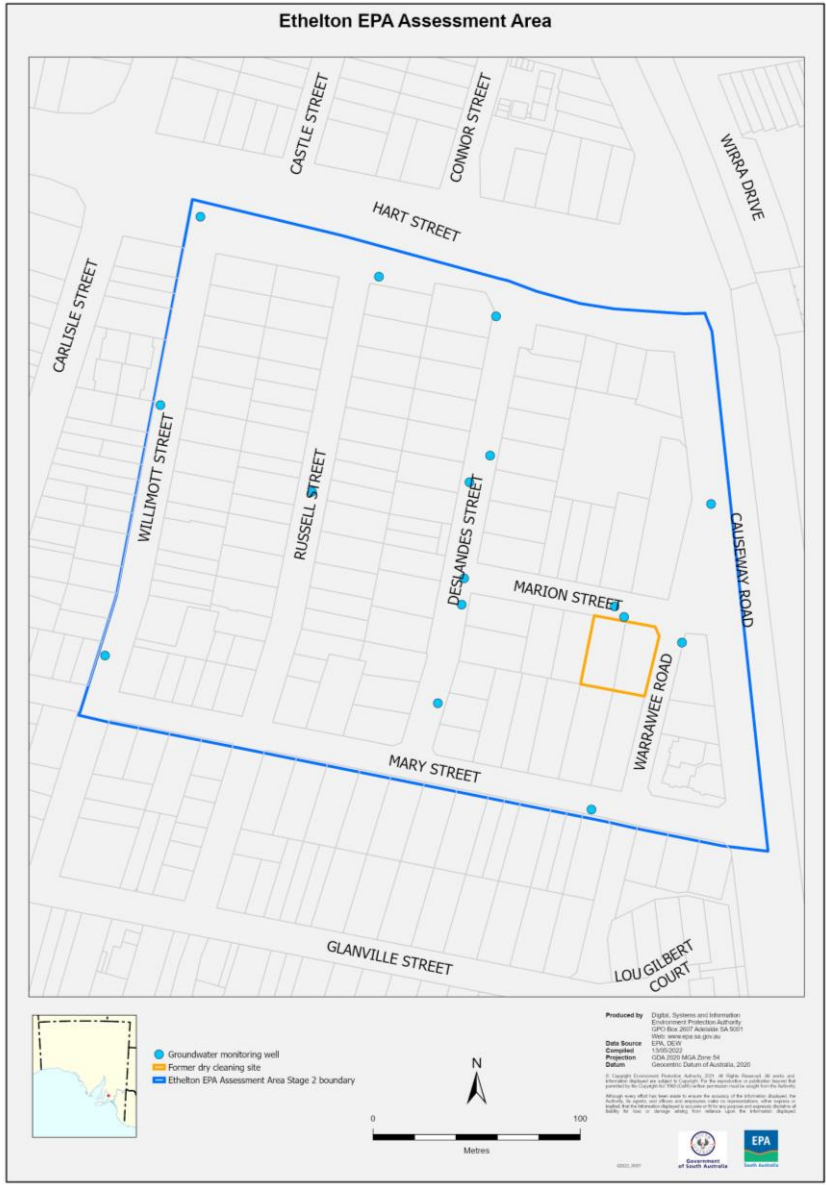


Future work and next steps

Based on the most recent results, the EPA has determined there is no need to prohibit the use of groundwater via the establishment of a Groundwater Prohibition Area.

Any resident accessing bore water, such as via a pump in your backyard, is encouraged to test the bore water to ensure it is fit for purpose.

Further monitoring of soil vapour and groundwater in the streets around the former dry cleaning site will be undertaken in 2026 to confirm that impacts to shallow groundwater remain low and that no further action is required by the EPA.



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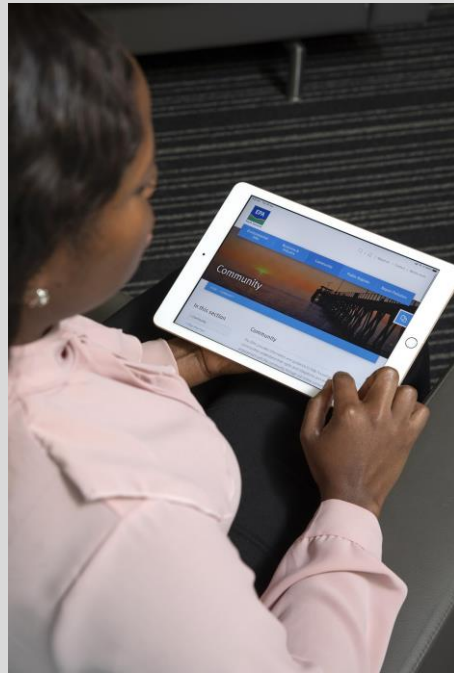
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