# Video transcript

# More than just a sewage treatment plant

The historic Western Treatment Plant in Werribee is a world leader in environmentally-friendly sewage treatment, and one of Victoria’s most unlikely hidden treasures.

Roughly the size of Phillip Island, the vast site is home to more than just sewage treatment facilities – doubling as a working farm and internationally-recognised bird habitat. Here, agriculture and biodiversity meet resource recovery, education and ecotourism, supporting Melbourne’s renowned liveability.

## Speaker

Narrator – N1 (Alanna Wright)

N1: I think it’s a little bit different from most treatment plants. It is absolutely massive, it’s the size of Phillip Island.

[Aerial footage of the Western Treatment Plant conservation area including vegetation and conservation ponds]

[on-screen text: Alanna Wright. Melbourne Water, Manager Western Treatment Plant.]

N1: It’s a treatment plant, it’s a Ramsar wetland, it has resource recovery.

[Footage of Alanna Wright, Manager Western Treatment Plant, speaking in front of heritage casings used to mold sewerage pipes]

[on-screen text: A Ramsar wetland is recognised as a wetland of international importance under the Ramsar Convention.]

N1: Every change in the process or every different type of treatment

[Footage of a painting showing an aerial view of the Western Treatment Plant key operation areas]

N1: that we put in place is another step

[Footage of giant tanks called clarifiers which assist with secondary treatment of sewage at the Western Treatment Plant]

N1: to improvement.

[Footage of sewage flowing out of pipes into an open sewer channel]

N1: Being more efficient and I guess,

[Footage of recycled water from the Western Treatment Plant, watering vegetable crops]

N1: being able to serve the community better.

[Aerial footage of the Western Treatment Plant treatment and conservation lagoons]

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