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Relevant:	Jervis Bay Territory residents		
Topic:	Water quality in JBT		

Water safe to drink in JBT

Water from Lake Windemere in the Jervis Bay Territory remains safe to drink, as confirmed by recent testing results from Shoalhaven Water.

ACT Health and Shoalhaven Water regularly monitor Jervis Bay Territory's water for changes in water quality, including testing for potentially harmful bacteria.

Following routine tests conducted last week, interim results received on Thursday, 17 April indicated E. coli levels present.

With the health and wellbeing of the Jervis Bay Territory community continuing to be the highest priority, the Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications and the Arts informed stakeholders of the potential unsafe E. coli levels and provided advice on water-boiling protocols while awaiting the outcomes of further testing, including from the treatment plant. This was a precautionary measure only, ahead of the further checks.

Through multiple tests over the past week, Shoalhaven Water has confirmed that no E. coli was found at its testing sites, and that appropriate levels of chlorine in the drinking supply would clear any potential contaminants in the water.

We will continue regular testing of the water in JBT, and will keep the community informed about any changes to the water quality.