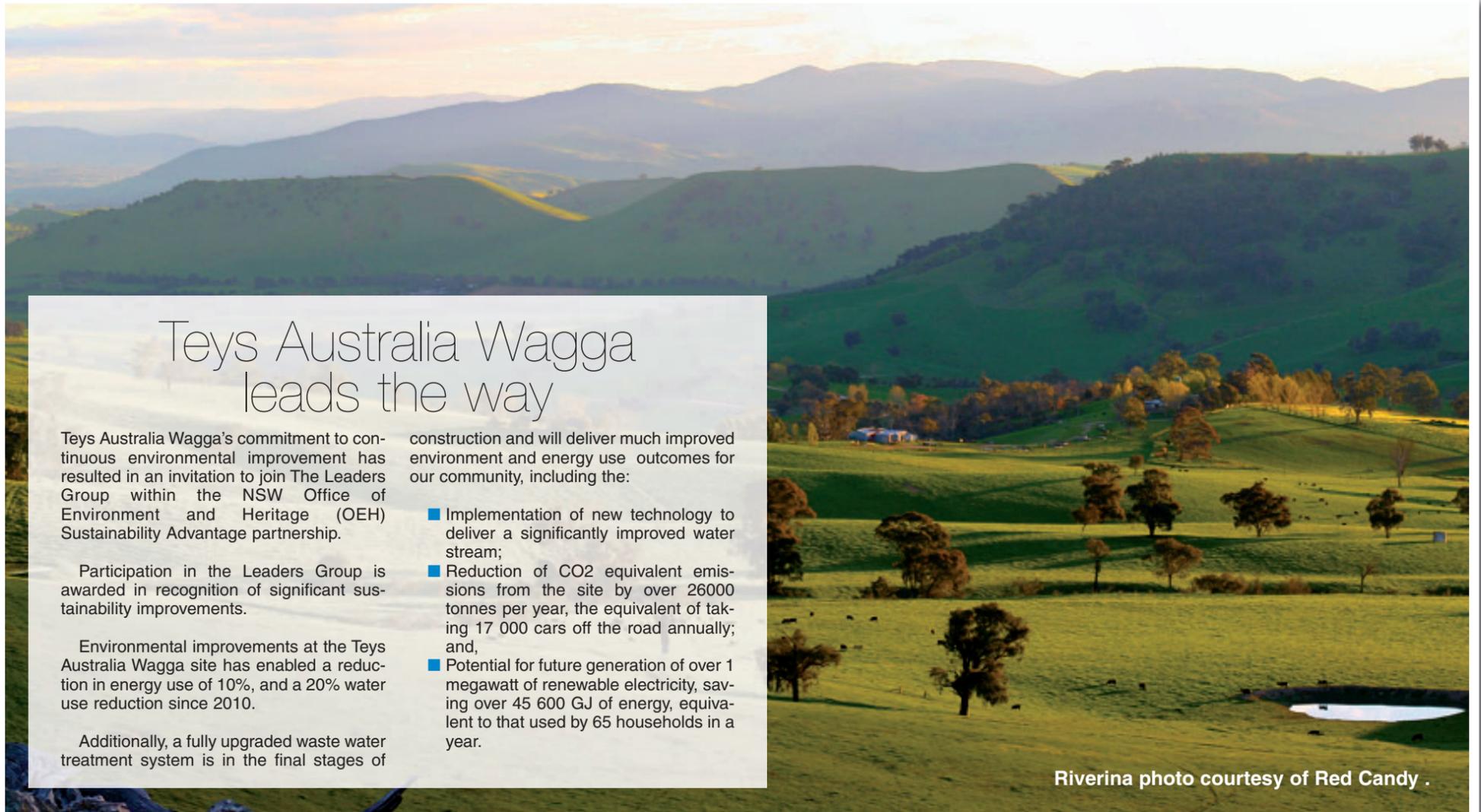




# ENVIRONMENT UPDATE



## Teys Australia Wagga leads the way

Teys Australia Wagga's commitment to continuous environmental improvement has resulted in an invitation to join The Leaders Group within the NSW Office of Environment and Heritage (OEH) Sustainability Advantage partnership.

Participation in the Leaders Group is awarded in recognition of significant sustainability improvements.

Environmental improvements at the Teys Australia Wagga site has enabled a reduction in energy use of 10%, and a 20% water use reduction since 2010.

Additionally, a fully upgraded waste water treatment system is in the final stages of

construction and will deliver much improved environment and energy use outcomes for our community, including the:

- Implementation of new technology to deliver a significantly improved water stream;
- Reduction of CO2 equivalent emissions from the site by over 26000 tonnes per year, the equivalent of taking 17 000 cars off the road annually; and,
- Potential for future generation of over 1 megawatt of renewable electricity, saving over 45 600 GJ of energy, equivalent to that used by 65 households in a year.

Riverina photo courtesy of Red Candy .

## Smarter water use in summer

SUMMER is coming soon! There's no better time to start planning ways to reduce your water consumption. By using water smartly and efficiently, you get maximum savings and that means more money in your pocket.

Here are some handy tips:

- Watering and tending your lawn
- Consider replacing some unneeded law are with water efficient plants
  - Don't mow your lawns too short
  - Water less frequently to encourage deeper root growth
  - Using evaporative coolers
  - Have your evaporative cooler serviced so it doesn't bleed-off water unnecessarily
  - Only use the evaporative cooler when you're at home.

Studies have shown that evaporative coolers take only a few minutes to replace hot air with cool air.

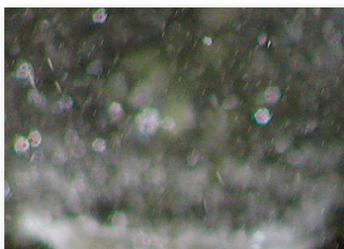
Taking care of your garden

- Group plants according to their water needs
- Don't over water
- Same as with your lawn, watering your plants less frequently will encourage deeper root growth.
- Use mulches to reduce evaporation

Want more tips? Then go to the Riverina Water website ([www.rwcc.com.au](http://www.rwcc.com.au)) for more information on saving water at home and in the garden.

Follow the link to the plant selector and drought tolerant plant lists; these will help you redesign or

adjust your garden to suit our climate so your plants require less watering.



### Did you know?

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**and our employees**

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(Located in Wagga Wagga)

**WATER CUSTOMERS**

A PERMANENT CONSERVATION MEASURE APPLIES TO WATER USE:

**FIXED SPRINKLERS CANNOT BE USED BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 10AM AND 5PM**

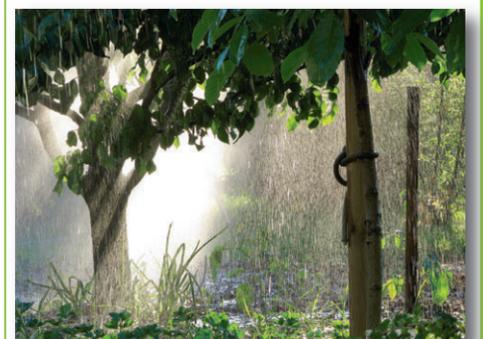
**HAND HELD HOSES MAY BE USED AT ANY TIME**

This measure will increase efficiency by reducing evaporation losses.

**For further tips on how to save water visit:**  
[www.rwcc.com.au](http://www.rwcc.com.au)

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### Did you know?



On average, about 43 per cent of household water is used in the garden and for other outdoor use. In the warmer months, a lot more water is used outside. There are simple ways for you to save water.

One way to save water in your garden is by adjusting your garden and lawn watering patterns for summer weather conditions and plant needs.

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