



**MT TODD**

## Community Update



Water management continues to be the highest priority for the Vista Gold team at Mt Todd, particularly as they prepare the site for the approaching Wet Season.

Over the past few months the team has reduced volumes of water stored in the retention ponds around the site to their lowest levels in years, providing the necessary capacity to contain storm water once expected rains arrive. Additional infrastructure has also been completed to improve management of the site in an extraordinary weather event.

As previously announced, Vista Gold has commenced treatment of mine affected water that has accumulated on site over the past decade. This has involved adding around 65 tonne of limestone (calcium carbonate) each day into Batman Pit which currently contains 10.8 gigalitres of water.

Before the treatment process began the pH level of the water in Batman Pit was 3.2 (acidic), partway through the process the water is now pH 4.3. Vista Gold is targeting above pH 7 (neutral). As a comparison, rain water is 5.6 and the typical pH of the Edith River is 6.2, this means the treated water will be able to be released from site without endangering the ecosystem of the river.

Mt Todd is on target to have the water treated in time for controlled release into the Edith River over the next two seasons and continues to work with the Northern Territory Government to ensure that its water management meets all licensing requirements.

The Mt Todd water treatment program is integral to the development of the mine and its completion before the oncoming wet season is vital.

For more information on the Mt Todd project please visit our website.