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New reservoir for Lakeland water

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Lakeland's town water supply has been given a new lease on life, with the old rusting reservoir replaced with a new larger tank.

The old 160KL tank was about 50 years old and needed replacing, Cook Shire Council Water and Wastewater Manager Robyn Maddalena said. "We've replaced the reservoir as part of Council's renewals program, with a new 270KL tank to meet the increased demands for town water in the growing community," Mrs Maddalena said.

Lakeland has about 110 town water users, with the water supply coming from several bores. The new tank cost just under \$100,000. Council is also working with the community and relevant stakeholders to develop a long term sustainable water supply and usage plan for the Lakeland area, with an \$825,000 feasibility study underway. The study will explore the expansion of irrigation agriculture in the region, and is funded by the Federal Government's Water Infrastructure Program.

