

# Goulburn Waterworks

location On the Wollondilly River,  
Goulburn, New South Wales.  
owner Goulburn City Council

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the plaques  
type **Historic Engineering Marker**  
location Outside Pumphouse.

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## ***Edward Orpen Moriarty (1825–1896)***

*Moriarty was born in Ireland and educated at Trinity College, Dublin. After working briefly as a cadet engineer in England, he came to Sydney with his family.*

*He was appointed Engineer-in-Chief for Harbours and River Navigation in the Department of Public Works from 1858 to 1889. This department was also responsible for establishing water supply schemes throughout NSW towns.*

*From 1877 he became also responsible for Sydney water supply, and laid the plans for the Upper Nepean Water Scheme which provided the main supply for Sydney from 1888.*

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E O Moriarty, Engineer-in-Chief, Harbours & Rivers of the NSW Public Works Department, directed the design and construction of the original waterworks, comprising Marsden Weir and the pumping station, between 1883 and 1886. District Engineer, H A Moriarty supervised construction and Goulburn City Council engineer E J Woodhart managed the works from 1887 to 1922. The Appleby beam engine operated until 1932 and is the last of its type in its original setting in Australia: the upgraded waterworks operated until 1977.

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