

# CASE STUDY

AWMA Water Control Solutions



**CATEGORY:**  
Infrastructure

**LOCATION:**  
Cohuna, Victoria

**PRODUCT:**  
Aluminium plate  
Aluminium extrusions

## BlueScope Distribution goes to water for its customers

**AWMA's water control solutions have provided high quality water control infrastructure and system design for more than a decade.**

These include Penstocks, channel gates, LayFlat tilting gates, automated channel management systems, flood control gates, Penstock valves, Stopboards, bulkhead gates, flap valves, wastewater management systems and a range of backflow devices.

To allow for such a diverse, wide and critical range of components to be successfully used across Australia, AWMA's site-specific water control systems are manufactured from the highest grade of aluminium or stainless steel available, to the highest quality standards.

The aluminium sections required to produce the various water control infrastructure are supplied to AWMA by BlueScope Distribution and then fabricated into various pieces of water management equipment by AWMA, who are themselves a turnkey operator.

According to AWMA Marketing Manager Belinda Barker, the reasons her company has dealt successfully for so many years with BlueScope Distribution are many and varied.



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“We work in a mission-critical area, which means we demand reliability of product and delivery, superior quality and also fast lead times – this coupled with their extensive range, availability and price, are all attributes that we get from BlueScope Distribution.”

“In terms of the actual products we purchase, the main grade and thickness of the Australian-made aluminium that we buy from BlueScope Distribution includes grades 5083, H116, 6005A, T5, Plate from 3mm to 20mm in thickness, plus a range of extrusions.”

“AWMA custom designs, fabricates and manufactures to meet set standards and specifications including Australian standards, quality standards, internal and external engineering specifications, OH&S, client requirements, site measurements, external conditions and forces (debris, flood, earthquake) and operational choices, so the aluminium we purchase needs to accommodate all these requirements.”

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According to BlueScope Distribution (Bendigo) Account Manager Wayne Drust, “going that extra mile for customers such as AWMA is just part and parcel of what we do here at BlueScope Distribution, day in day out.”

“The special grade of aluminium that is required by AWMA, whilst not made by BlueScope, due to the fact that it’s used in mission-critical applications like water control infrastructure is of a particular and special grade that we source and supply exclusively to them.”

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