

## Moa Point Wastewater Treatment Plant performance - January 2026

Commentary	Discharges	Odour Complaints	Items of significance	Current status	
<p>The plant remains non-compliant for faecal coliforms and suspended solids coliforms on both the 90-day geomean and 90th percentile. Biochemical oxygen demand is compliant. The Total Reduced Sulphur (TRS) consent parameter was not met in January.</p>	<p>There were three non-compliant effluent discharges reported in January due to the plant's reduced treatment capacity whilst the UV system replacement project takes place.</p>	<p>There were five odour complaints in January relating to the Southern Landfill site and Careys Gully Sludge Dewatering plant.</p>	<p>Physical works continue to replace the plant UV disinfection system with the project completion expected in mid-2026. While these works are undertaken, the treatment capacity of the plant is reduced by 50%. This is unavoidable and during high flows some screened wastewater may bypass full biological treatment before being mixed with fully treated wastewater and discharged via the long outfall pipeline 1.8km offshore. Additional signage has been erected along the south coast beaches advising the public to be cautious with recreational use of the coastal area after rainfall.</p>	<p>Non-compliant</p>	