

Koondrook– Perricoota inlet regulator intervention works update

December 2025

WaterNSW and the Murray–Darling Basin Authority (MDBA) are working to repair the structural integrity of the Koondrook–Perricoota inlet regulator.

The repair works will see the installation of a temporary coffer dam upstream of the Koondrook–Perricoota inlet regulator to ensure the integrity of Torrumbarry weir pool and allow the structure to be dewatered for repair.

Latest news

Following the review of submissions, a contract has been awarded to regional contractor, Boots Civil for the design and construction of the temporary coffer dam. WaterNSW is working with the contractor to finalise preliminary activities prior to work commencing in **mid January 2026**.

Current project timelines remain on track, with construction of the coffer dam scheduled for completion by **March 2026**, weather permitting. The schedule continues to be reviewed and where possible, timelines will be brought forward.

Work will include an upgrade of access tracks, construction of temporary coffer dam upstream of the regulator, and dewatering (draining) of the structure to allow for repair. The local community and nearby properties may expect an increase of vehicles on surrounding local roads while the work is carried out.

This work will ensure the structural integrity of the Torrumbarry weir pool. While the inlet regulator is offline, environmental water flows to the Koondrook–Perricoota Forest via the inlet channel will be temporarily unavailable.

Next update

The next project update will be issued in early 2026.



Frequently Asked Questions

When will the work be carried out?

Work will commence in mid January 2026 and take place between 7:00 am to 6:00 pm Monday to Friday and 8:00 am to 1:00 pm Saturday. There will be no work on Sundays, public holidays or nightworks.

Construction of the coffer dam is scheduled for completion by March 2026, weather permitting.

Will the work have environmental impacts?

WaterNSW is committed to carefully managing environmental impacts. All potential impacts will be considered as part of the environmental assessment and ways to reduce or mitigate impacts to the environment or cultural heritage sites will be implemented where relevant. The project is required to consider all relevant legislative Acts, including Environmental, Planning and Heritage, before work is approved.

Are there impacts to the delivery of environmental water?

While the inlet regulator is offline, environmental water flows to the Koondrook-Perricoota Forest via the inlet channel will be temporarily unavailable.

This is necessary to allow the structure to be repaired safely.

How can the community stay informed?

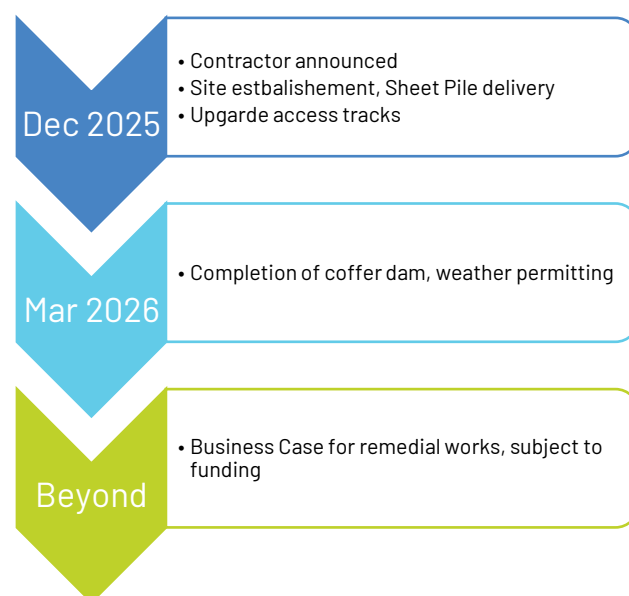
WaterNSW will continue to work closely with key stakeholders including the local community, nearby properties, water customers, First Nations communities and other government agencies as the project progresses.

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Project timeline (as at December 2025)



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