

Lake Cargelligo embankment upgrade

April 2023

Frequently asked questions

Why is WaterNSW upgrading the Lake Cargelligo embankment?

WaterNSW is upgrading the three embankment dams of Lake Cargelligo, as shown on the map below.

The work will ensure the long-term functionality of the embankments by modifying the existing structures to comply with modern engineering standards and reduce the risk of erosion and overtopping (water rising over the top).



Is a drawdown of Lake Cargelligo required?

Yes. We are required to reduce the capacity of the lake to 50% before major work on the embankment upgrades start. This is essential to meet our environmental requirements, reduce risks to construction and maintain safety of our workers.

When will the drawdown start?

The drawdown of Lake Cargelligo started on Monday 17 April and is expected to reach 50% by mid-May, weather and flow permitting.



Will the community be impacted by the drawdown?

When will construction start?

Major work on the embankments is on track to start in mid-2023, following the completion of the drawdown and ongoing trial embankment and investigation work.

Construction was planned to start in mid-2022, however was delayed due to heavy rain events in the Lachlan catchment.



Who will be carrying out the work?

Diona have been selected to complete the project.

How will the community be kept informed of the project?

The project team will continue to keep the local community informed of all upcoming work and continues to work closely with nearby landowners, Aboriginal community and other stakeholder groups.

For more information on the project, please contact the Diona Community Engagement team via the contact details on this document.

Are there ways for businesses or employees to be involved?

WaterNSW and Diona remain committed to working with local businesses and suppliers and providing positive economic and employment benefits to the community.

We encourage local suppliers, job seekers and members of the community to register their interest in being involved in the project and learning more about a career in civil construction.

To register your interest, contact the Diona Community Engagement team via the contact details below.





How can I contact the project team?

For construction related enquiries, please contact Diona's Community Engagement team by phone on 1300 131 338 or by email community@diona.com.au.

For general enquiries on WaterNSW's work, email <u>customer.helpdesk@waternsw.com.au</u> or call the WaterNSW Helpdesk on call 1300 662 077.

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