

Ballyrogan Bridge replacement

September 2026

Latest news

Work to replace the Ballyrogan Bridge over the Lake Brewster Inlet Channel on the Lachlan Valley Way continues to progress with demolition of the existing bridge underway.

Throughout August, temporary coffer dams were partially installed upstream of the structure, however, due to significant rainfall throughout the month, high water levels in the Lake Brewster Inlet Channel have caused a delay to dewatering (draining) of the area, and subsequent work.

Water levels are expected to recede in late-September, however, WaterNSW are working closely with the contractor to explore alternate methodologies to continue work as soon as possible while the water recedes.

Once the cofferdams are installed and the area dewatered, demolition works will continue in a staged manner.

Overall completion of the project is now expected in February 2027 due to these weather delays.

WaterNSW is working closely with customers and Carrathool Shire Council to ensure stakeholders and the local community are informed as the project progresses. We thank the community for their cooperation with changed traffic conditions while work is being completed.



High water levels in the Lake Brewster Inlet Channel causing delays to the replacement of the Ballyrogan Bridge

Image captured in mid-September 2026

Frequently Asked Questions

When will the work be carried out?

Work commenced in late-March 2026 and may 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.

Will the work have environmental impacts?

WaterNSW is committed to carefully managing environmental impacts of the work. All potential impacts of the work 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.

Will there be impacts to water delivery?

To build the new bridge footings, temporary sheet piles (coffer dams) will be placed in the channel at each end of the bridge. These will be installed one at a time to minimise disruptions to the water flow in the channel. At most, water flow will be reduced by about 35% for 2-3 weeks while each coffer dam is in place (4-6 weeks total).

Contact us

If you have any questions or would like further about the project, please email WaterNSW at engagement@waterNSW.com.au or visit waterNSW.com.au/projects/bally-rogan-bridge-replacement.

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 September 2026)

