

# Ballyrogan Bridge replacement

April 2026

**WaterNSW is delivering a replacement bridge over the Lake Brewster Inlet Channel that will be longer lasting, stronger, and higher to improve safety for all road users.**

## Latest news

Work commenced late last month to replace the Ballyrogan Bridge over the Lake Brewster Inlet Channel on the Lachlan Valley Way which is showing significant signs of deterioration.

The scope of the project involves construction of a temporary bridge upstream of the existing bridge to maintain two-way traffic for road users, while a replacement bridge and road approaches are being built. The replacement bridge will have one set of piers to allow for maximum channel flow, and the road approaches will be built to minimise impacts of flooding to road users.

Work to build the temporary bridge is scheduled for completion in **mid 2026**, weather permitting.

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

Work completed since the commencement of the

project includes:

- Establishing a site compound (office) and laydown area for equipment and materials
- Removal of vegetation to make way for construction machinery
- Piling of piers for the temporary bridge
- Installation of concrete bridge decks for the temporary bridge



**Air hammer driving piles from floating work platform**



**Concrete bridge deck for temporary bridge**

# 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).

### Next update

The next project update will be issued in late-May 2026. If you have any questions or would like further information in the meantime, please email WaterNSW at [engagement@waternsw.com.au](mailto:engagement@waternsw.com.au) or visit [waternsw.com.au/projects/bally-rogan-bridge-replacement](http://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 April 2026)

