

Community update

Kangaroo Valley pipeline upgrade

Stage 2 bearing replacements

May 2026

Work is now underway to replace structural bearings on the Kangaroo Valley pipeline.

As part of Stage Two of the pipeline upgrade, we are replacing the remaining bearings at sill locations and applying a new protective coating to extend their service life.

This follows the completion of Stage One, which involved replacing structural bearings at priority sill locations and improving the drainage system. These improvements will help ensure the ongoing reliability and resilience of our essential water infrastructure.

What work is planned?

Structural bearings support the pipeline and allow it to move both laterally and longitudinally, and those at the end of their service life will be replaced.

The pipeline will be temporarily lifted using hydraulic lifts and braces so that the old bearings can be removed. A protective coating will be applied to the bearing contact areas, and the new bearings installed before the pipeline is lowered back into place.

Project timing

The work started in May 2026 and is planned to be complete by November 2026, weather permitting.

Did you know?

The 2.5-kilometre dual-purpose pipeline was commissioned in 1977 and was used for water supply and transfer from the Shoalhaven River to the metropolitan Sydney dams, as well as connecting Fitzroy Canal with the Bendeela Hydro Plant.



Stage one works on the Kangaroo Valley pipeline included bearing replacement and drainage works

Work area

All work will take place within the WaterNSW pipeline corridor, adjacent to the Promised Land Trail. Access to the work area will be via Nowra Road, south of Fitzroy Falls Reservoir. The work is along the 2.5 kilometre above-ground section of the pipeline, that transports water from Fitzroy Canal to Bendeela Hydro Plant.

There will be extra cars, trucks and equipment travelling along Nowra Road to our construction site. Please be mindful of the extra traffic.

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