

Minor Works Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) /Minor Works Review of Environmental Factors(REF) Form

This EIA form is used by WaterNSW to assess and approve minor works that are either *Development Without Consent* or *Exempt Development*. It records & assesses activities or project works where environmental impacts are minimal or not likely to significantly affect the environment. If you are unsure how to answer anything in this Form, please contact the Environmental Services Team for assistance and advice.

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SECTION 1 PROJECT SCOPE

	QUESTIONS	ANSWERS	GUIDANCE
1.1	Organisation/Business Unit/Team	Asset Delivery Operations	
1.2	WaterNSW representative and contact details		
1.3	Has a site inspection been undertaken? If so by whom and when?	By project team - on 5/02/2025	<i>It is recommended the person undertaking site inspection should also complete this Form.</i>
1.4	ARK Reference - Project Folder/Work Folder	W2021/21	<i>Save your work to ARK and include the ARK numbers here. Provide project/works folder for background information.</i>
1.5	Project Number/Budget Code		<i>Environmental Services time taken to process this request will be assigned to the project.</i>
1.6	Project or Works Value	\$1,500,000	<i>Publication of EIA/REF is required when:</i> - Capital investment is > \$5 million - an approval or permit is required under: - FM Act section 144, 201, 205 or 219 - Heritage Act section 57 - NP&W Act section 90 - POEO Act section 47-49 or 122 <i>or if it is considered to be in the public interest.</i>
1.7	Project or Works Title	Greater Sydney Road Renewals - Avon Dam	<i>Include the full name of the project or work you propose undertaking.</i>
1.8	Scope of Works: What is to be undertaken and how?	Compressor Area- Pavement detail: excavate up to 300mm to subgrade, compact top 200mm subgrade to 98%, install 150mm subbase, 125-150mm base and 25mm bitument seal as per design drawings- Remove existing cross drains and install 2 new cross drains including headwalls, concrete pipe and rip rap dissipater- Install open table drainage as per design drawings- Clear approximately 350m2 vegetation to allow for additional vehicle maneuvering space- Widen approach intersection into compressor access road by removing existing part of existing rock face- Pothole repairs on approach road into compressor access road at identified sections Helipad Area- Pavement detail: excavate up to 300mm to subgrade, compact top 200mm subgrade to 98%, install 150mm subbase, 125-150mm base and 25mm bitument seal as per design drawings- Install 2 new cross drains including headwalls, concrete pipe and rip rap dissipater- Install open table drainage as per design drawings	<i>Clearly outline the full scope of work and activities, including equipment type, size, quantity; sequence and tasks involved including site establishment, stockpiles; temporary structures such as site sheds; any block banks and de-watering.</i>
1.9	Proposed Start Date and Expected Duration of works	1/09/2025 for a period of 4 months.	
1.10	Planned Site Work Hours	Standard Hours	<i>Identify the planned site work hours.</i> <i>Standard Hours are : Mon-Fri 7am-6pm, Sat 8am-1pm, No work Sunday or Public Holidays.</i> <i>Non-standard hours may require additional noise assessments to be prepared.</i>
1.11	One-off Project or Routine work	☒ One Off ☐ Routine	
1.12	Location	Avon Dam - locations as per site plan photo below	<i>Identify the location of the project or work and the asset. Be sure to include the access roads / routes used to deliver materials to site</i>
1.13	Site Plan / Photos / Aerial Photo: Add Figures or ARK reference to figures		
		Add Site Plans, Figures or Photo etc. Remove Figure or Photo	

GREATER SYDNEY ROAD RENEWALS



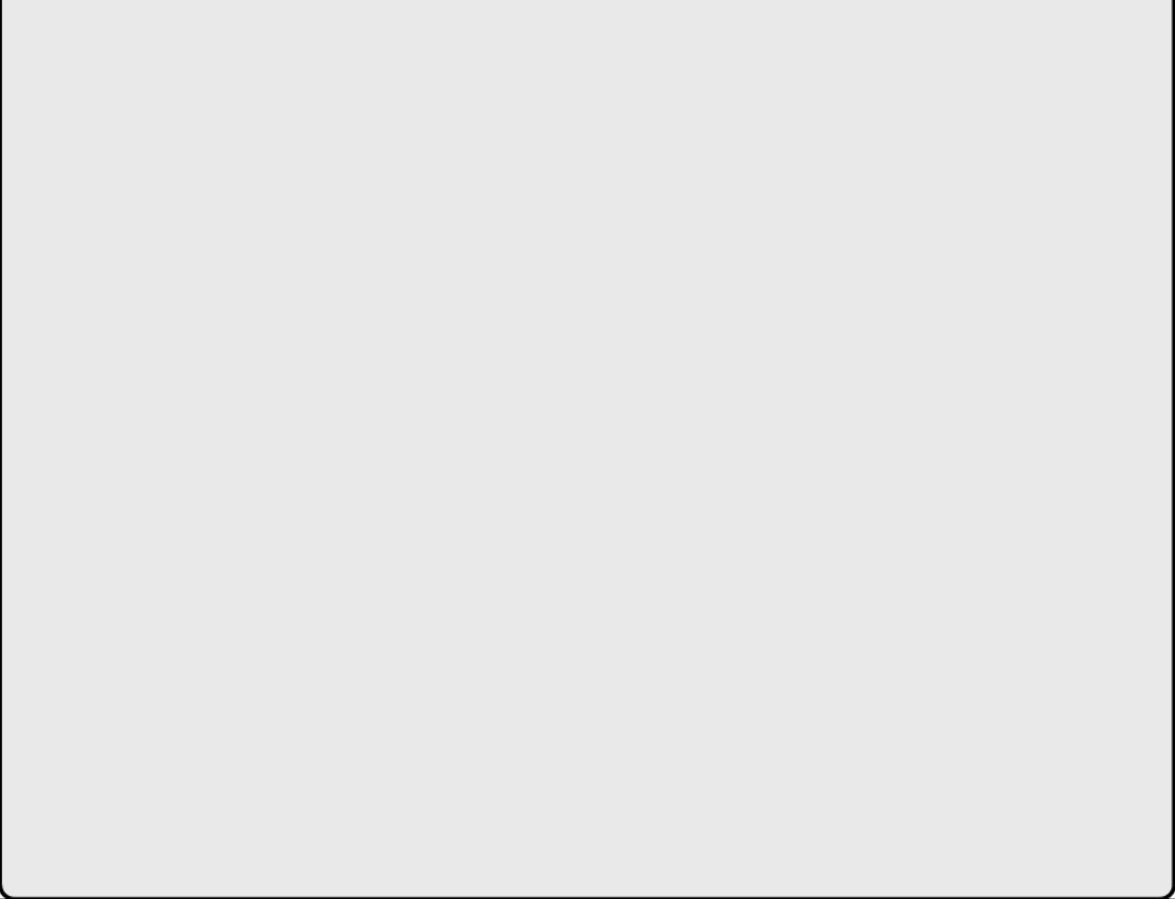
PROJECT NAME	AVON DAM	DATE	10/10/2024	SCALE	1:1000	PROJECT NO.	AV	WATERNSW	AVON DAM	1:1000	PL2025/312
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1.14	Is the land and/or asset owned by WaterNSW?	☒ Yes ☐ No	Site ownership details can be found at; Vested orders (DOC11/8076) for assets Government Property Register or Land Titles Office NULA
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1.14.1	Provide evidence of ownership and detail what the land is used for	NULA Maps and GPR	Provide details of land use e.g operational area, Special Area, Controlled Area, recreational area, agricultural area etc http://www.watersw.com.au/supply/Greater-Sydney/system NULA
1.15	Lot and DP	Lot 14 DP1233164	Find a property using NULA or the NSW Planning Portal
1.16	What is the local government area (LGA)?	Wingecarribee	You can find the LGA by using NULA Maps or the NSW Planning Portal
1.17	What is the zoning of the site?	SP2 Water Supply System	Provide details of the zoning from the relevant Local Environmental Plan(s)
1.18	Will the project or work be within the Sydney Drinking Water Catchment and/or a Special Area / Controlled Area?	☒ Yes ☐ No	Check NULA to identify if the project or work is within the Sydney Drinking Water Catchment. For more information on undertaking a Neutral or Beneficial Effect Assessment refer to CD2016/89*
1.18.1	Are there any identifiable potential impacts on water quality?	☐ Yes ☒ No	Potential pollutants are sediments (fine & coarse), nitrogen, phosphorus, pathogens and hazardous chemicals and contaminants such as oil/fuel.
1.18.5	Is it likely that a neutral or beneficial effect on water quality will occur? Why?	Works will involve the paving of unsealed roads reducing the potential of sedimentation entering waterways.	
SPECIAL AND CONTROLLED AREAS			
Select the appropriate safeguards to manage the impacts			
SP1	Special & Controlled Areas	All activities or work undertaken in Water NSW Special / Controlled Areas shall be carried out in a manner that will prevent or minimise impacts on water quality, environmental damage and fire.	☒ Yes ☐ N/A
SP2	Special & Controlled Areas	Standard access requirements of Water NSW catchment lands shall be observed. This includes restricted access to the catchment after periods of significant rainfall (typically 10mm in a 24 hour period).	☒ Yes ☐ N/A
SP3	Special & Controlled Areas	All gates and barriers shall be closed and locked at all times to prevent unauthorised access to the Special/Controlled Area.	☒ Yes ☐ N/A
SP4	Special & Controlled Areas	Any suspected unauthorised access to the area shall be reported to the WaterNSW Incident Number 1800 061 069 (24/7 Service).	☒ Yes ☐ N/A
SP5	Special & Controlled Areas	All incidents, spills or fire sightings that occur in the WaterNSW Special / Controlled Area shall be immediately reported to the WaterNSW Incident Number 1800 061 069 (24/7 Service).	☒ Yes ☐ N/A
SP6	Special & Controlled Areas	Works shall not be undertaken and vehicles shall not travel on unsealed roads in the Water NSW Special / Controlled Areas when road surfaces are saturated, water is flowing down table drains or the catchment has been closed by Water NSW.	☒ Yes ☐ N/A
SP7	Special & Controlled Areas	Portable fuel trailers shall be taken off catchment at the end of each working week.	☒ Yes ☐ N/A
SP8	Special & Controlled Areas	Any imported fill material shall be restricted to 'Virgin excavated natural material' (eg clay, gravel, sand soil and rock) that is not mixed with any other waste. Coal waste materials shall not be used in the construction or maintenance of trails.	☒ Yes ☐ N/A
SP9	Special & Controlled Areas	New gravel or borrow pits shall not be established within the Special Areas.	☐ Yes ☒ N/A
SP10	Special & Controlled Areas	In the event Water NSW fire roads are damaged as a result of the works, they shall be repaired as soon as practicable.	☒ Yes ☐ N/A
SP11	Special & Controlled Areas	All equipment transported to the site shall be thoroughly washed down, including underneath tractors and slashers, to remove mud, dirt and vegetative materials, prior to entering the Water NSW Special / Controlled Areas.	☒ Yes ☐ N/A
1.19	Does the project or work require any vegetation to be cleared?	☒ Yes ☐ No	Clearing means any one or more of the following: (a) cutting down, felling, thinning, logging or removing vegetation, (b) killing, destroying, poisoning, ringbarking, uprooting or burning native vegetation.
1.19.1	Describe the nature, extent and location of the clearing.	Approximately 350 meters squared of trees are to be removed for construction purposes.	Details to be included; the area of vegetation to be impacted, the type of vegetation to be cleared and how the vegetation will be impacted. http://www.environment.nsw.gov.au/vegetation/noapproval.htm Refer Tree Clearing Permit CD2021/110* before commencing.

FLORA AND FAUNA			
Select the appropriate safeguards to manage the impacts			
FF1	Flora and Fauna	Vegetation disturbance or clearing shall be minimised to the greatest degree practical and only in accordance with EIA approval.	☒ Yes ☐ N/A
FF2	Flora and Fauna	Slashing groundcover shall be limited to a height of 150 to 200mm.	☐ Yes ☒ N/A
FF3	Flora and Fauna	Any vegetative material that has been cleared, lopped or otherwise removed shall be retained and used as surface mulching to assist site revegetation on completion of the works.	☒ Yes ☐ N/A
FF4	Flora and Fauna	Fallen logs shall be pushed out of the work areas and into adjoining areas wherever possible. Cutting up of logs over 40cm diameter with hollows shall be minimised.	☒ Yes ☐ N/A
FF5	Flora and Fauna	Disturbance of rock ledges, caves, overhangs and surface bush rock shall be avoided wherever possible.	☒ Yes ☐ N/A
FF6	Flora and Fauna	Retained vegetation and trees shall be protected from accidental damage, encroachment or smothering by temporary fencing, flagging or similar. Drip lines of trees are to be avoided.	☒ Yes ☐ N/A
FF7	Flora and Fauna	All equipment transported to the site shall be free of contaminants such as weeds.	☒ Yes ☐ N/A
FF8	Flora and Fauna	Undertake pre-clearance check including demarcation of trees and inspection for habitat features (e.g. tree hollows, nests etc) / fauna (engagement of ecologist required). Where possible clearing of vegetation with habitat features should be undertaken during summer to minimise potential impacts to nesting fauna.	☒ Yes ☐ N/A
PEST AND WEED CONTROL			
Select the appropriate safeguards to manage the impacts			
P1	Pest and Weed Control	Control of weeds shall be undertaken by using appropriate government and industry accepted control methods. Removal of weeds from the site shall be properly disposed of at an appropriately licensed waste facility.	☐ Yes ☒ N/A
P2	Pest and Weed Control	Notification of neighbours and other stakeholders shall be undertaken as required by the current relevant Pesticide Control Order issued under the Pesticides Act 1999 and in accordance with the Water NSW Pesticide Use Notification Plan.	☐ Yes ☒ N/A
P3	Pest and Weed Control	Herbicides and pesticides shall be stored and used in accordance with the relevant label directions, registration or permit conditions issued under the Agricultural & Veterinary Chemical Code (NSW) Act 1994 and Pesticides Act 1999 and Code of Practice issued by WorkCover NSW.	☐ Yes ☒ N/A
P4	Pest and Weed Control	Mixing or decanting of herbicides shall not be undertaken within 20m of any natural or built drainage line or wetland.	☒ Yes ☐ N/A
P5	Pest and Weed Control	All vehicles, vessels and equipment transported to the site shall be free of contaminants such as weeds. Care shall also be taken to ensure all vehicles, vessels and equipment are free of aquatic weeds and their seeds before leaving the site.	☒ Yes ☐ N/A
P6	Pest and Weed Control	All debris from control works shall be removed from flood-prone areas and only left onsite with approval of WaterNSW	☒ Yes ☐ N/A
P7	Pest and Weed Control	Ensure record keeping of pesticide application compliant with the NSW Pesticides Regulation (2017).	☐ Yes ☒ N/A
1.20	Is the project or work located on, in or adjacent to (within 40m) of "water land" or waterway?	☐ Yes ☒ No	'water land' means land submerged by water: (a) whether permanently or intermittently, or (b) whether forming an artificial or natural body of water, and includes wetlands and any other land prescribed by the regulations as water land to which this Division applies.
1.21	Is the project or work likely to result in any soil disturbance?	☒ Yes ☐ No	

1.22	Will the project or work require the stockpiling of any materials?	☒ Yes ☐ No	
SOIL AND WATER			
Select the appropriate safeguards to manage the impacts			
SW1	Soil and Water	All works shall be undertaken in a manner that will minimise site disturbance and avoids or minimises erosion and sedimentation.	☒ Yes ☐ N/A
SW2	Soil and Water	All areas disturbed during the works shall be protected by installing appropriate erosion and sedimentation control measures so that sediment-laden runoff does not enter any drainage line or wetland. Measures may include: - o diverting any potential upslope runoff and stormwater away from the site; - o installing temporary erosion control devices (eg sediment fencing, sand bags, sediment basins); - o temporary surface protection (eg surface mulching, geotextile/erosion control matting).	☒ Yes ☐ N/A
SW3	Soil and Water	All erosion and sediment control measures shall be checked and maintained on a regular basis so that they work effectively at all times, including removing trapped sediment before or when 30% capacity is reached. Control measures shall not be removed before the ground surface is stabilised.	☒ Yes ☐ N/A
SW4	Soil and Water	A maintenance checklist shall be prepared for sites. Records shall be kept of all checks and maintenance and shall be provided to Water NSW on request. As a minimum this shall include a regular check of: - o sediment fencing/bunding - o any sign of erosion of the site or material - o any impact on adjacent vegetation (material shall be kept outside the dripline of any tree) - o the safe storage of any chemicals, fuels or lubricants - o the height, gradient and stability of any stockpile (<2m high and 2:1 slope)	☒ Yes ☐ N/A
SW5	Soil and Water	Chemicals, fuels and lubricants shall be securely stored in approved containers and spill containment material shall be kept on site ready for immediate use. Bund capacity is to be at least 110 % of the largest container & 25% of the total stored volume	☒ Yes ☐ N/A
SW6	Soil and Water	No chemicals, fuels and lubricants shall be stored overnight on site unless specifically approved by Water NSW. If approved, these materials shall be stored with bunding within an established site compound, on a level area clear of native vegetation and at least 40m from any natural or built drainage line or wetland.	☒ Yes ☐ N/A
SW7	Soil and Water	Plant and equipment shall not be refuelled within 20m of any natural or built drainage line or wetland. During any refuelling, spill containment material shall be on hand ready for immediate use.	☒ Yes ☐ N/A
SW8	Soil and Water	Weather forecasts shall be regularly checked so that expected storm events can be taken into account in project planning and erosion and sediment management.	☒ Yes ☐ N/A
SW9	Soil and Water	Temporary compounds and stockpiles shall be located: - o at least 40m from natural or built drainage lines or wetland; - o on areas previously disturbed and that do not require the clearing of native vegetation; - o on level, hard ground wherever possible, and shall not be located on slopes steeper than 1(V):10(H); - o beyond tree drip lines; - o where there is no risk of impact on any indigenous or non-indigenous heritage site.	☒ Yes ☐ N/A
SW10	Soil and Water	Topsoil shall be stockpiled separately from general spoil and reused wherever possible.	☒ Yes ☐ N/A
SW11	Soil and Water	Concrete shall not be mixed within 20m of any natural or built drainage line or wetland. All concrete waste and any concrete washout shall be contained and removed for disposal off site at	☒ Yes ☐ N/A

		a lawful facility. Washout of trucks on site shall be minimised wherever possible.	
SW12	Soil and Water	Waste water generated during works shall be captured and: - tested and treated before release back into the environment ensuring all water quality criteria are met; - disposed offsite at a lawful receiving facility; - sediment laden waters can be discharged in a manner that prevents sediments entering natural or built drainage lines or wetlands.	☒ Yes ☐ N/A
SW13	Soil and Water	Silt booms shall be installed in the stream or water body around the work site, or immediately downstream. The silt booms shall be appropriately anchored to maximise the capture of any sediment laden water.	☐ Yes ☒ N/A
SW14	Soil and Water	Any mixing of paints is to be carried out over a waterproof membrane of at least 4 square metres in area. The contractor is to take all reasonable steps to prevent spillage of paint.	☒ Yes ☐ N/A
1.23	Will the project or work result in the generation of any waste materials?	☒ Yes ☐ No	<i>This may include spoil, concrete, building materials, vegetation, wastewater, oil and grease.</i> <i>Will portable toilets be needed at the site?</i>
1.23.1	Provide details of the nature, amount of waste likely to be generated and proposed disposal	Standard construction waste, vegetative matter.	Refer to EPA Waste Classification Guidelines for classifying waste. If the project or work involves the use and disposal of, or exposure to, contaminated/hazardous materials, dangerous goods or controlled chemicals, approval may be required from SafeWork NSW or EPA
WASTE			
Select the appropriate safeguards to manage the impacts			
W1	Waste	All working areas shall be maintained, kept free of rubbish and cleaned up at the end of each working day. Equipment and materials shall be securely stored.	☒ Yes ☐ N/A
W2	Waste	If the contractor is working at the same location for more than one day, self-contained portable ablution and toilet facilities shall be provided, unless otherwise specifically negotiated with Water NSW. These facilities shall be located at least 20m from any natural or built drainage line or wetland.	☒ Yes ☐ N/A
W3	Waste	The contractor shall be appropriately licensed to remove and dispose of all hazardous materials. Hazardous materials shall be handled and disposed in accordance with relevant Australian Standards, SafeWork NS and regulatory agency (EPA) guidelines.	☐ Yes ☒ N/A
W4	Waste	All waste fluids generated during the works, including concrete wash, the washing of painting equipment and human effluent, shall be contained for proper disposal offsite in accordance with SafeWork NSW and NSW government guidelines.	☒ Yes ☐ N/A
W5	Waste	All waste removal, transport and disposal, including excess spoil, shall be in accordance with the EPA current guidelines for waste. Materials shall be recycled wherever possible. Dockets or equivalent evidence shall be obtained for all recycling and waste disposal, detailing the weights, materials, time and date and waste facility used. These dockets shall be available onsite and submitted with monthly reports and placed in ARK folder F2018/3432.	☒ Yes ☐ N/A
1.24	Will the project or work have an impact on members of the public or surrounding areas?	☐ Yes ☒ No	<i>Types of impact may include noise, dust, access, visual amenity. Surrounding land uses may be agricultural/other rural land uses, residential, recreational etc.</i>
1.25	Will the project require new fences to be installed?	☐ Yes ☒ No	
1.25.2	Are temporary or new access tracks or roads to be developed?	☐ Yes ☒ No	
1.26	Are there any impacts on any Councils, utilities and/or roads?	☐ Yes ☒ No	<i>Carry out a dial-before-you-dig if necessary or conduct a survey to indicate if any underground infrastructure is present, eg, water, sewer, power, telecommunications, council roads, otherwise contact the supply authority or local Council.</i>
1.28	Are there any post-construction rehabilitation or future maintenance requirements?	☐ Yes ☒ No	<i>Post rehabilitation may include replanting, rip rap and making good of a disturbed area.</i>

1.29	Is a Construction Environmental Management Plan (CEMP) required?	☒ Yes ☐ No	A CEMP demonstrates how & where site specific environmental controls or safeguards will be implemented at the project site. Not all projects or works need to have a CEMP prepared, for example small scale works with few potential impacts. The CEMP must address the safeguards identified in the EIA for the project. (refer to CD2015/188* - CEMP Condensed Template)
1.30	Are there any special environmental safeguards, controls or mitigation measures that need to be implemented during this project or works?	☐ Yes ☒ No	Minor and routine works not requiring a CEMP can still require specific mitigation measures.
1.31	What is the myWaterNSW Aboriginal Heritage Assessment request number?	RITM0660460	An Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Field Assessment is needed for all new infrastructure; maintenance and upgrades of existing infrastructure where there is no previous assessment; environmental surveys; and vehicle movements off approved access tracks.
Thank you for completing Section 1 of this Minor Works Environmental Impact Assessment . Ensure you have saved this form to ARK and included the ARK reference number above. Go to myWaterNSW, click 'Request Something' & create a service request for Environmental Services. Does the work trigger an Aboriginal Heritage Field Assessment? If so, it is required to complete the EIA.			Save to ARK and go to myWaterNSW to create a service request
☒	<u>Environmental Services Team</u> - Once Section 1 has been submitted, check that all questions are completed. If Section 1 is incomplete refer back to the Project Manager with comments. Environmental Services will complete section 2 & 3 of the assessment.		

SECTION 2 ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS			
	QUESTIONS	ANSWERS	HERITAGE TO BE CHECKED
2.1	Will the project / work occur on a heritage item? Is the work site or asset identified on the WaterNSW s170 heritage register, the State heritage register, National Heritage List or identified as a local heritage item on the LEP?	☒ Yes ☐ No	Heritage to be checked: 1. WaterNSW S170 Register (D2016/73126) 2. NSW Planning Portal 3. Relevant Council LEP 4. State Heritage Inventory Database
2.1.1	Identify and describe the works with regard to the heritage significance.	Works are to occur within the curtilage of Avon Dam SHR01358 and will have a minimal impact upon the significance of the listing	
2.1.2	Will there be ground disturbance at a locally significant site or where a relic is predicted to occur?	☐ Yes ☒ No	Refer first to the Heritage NSW Archeological Exceptions as guidance for works which may be done under the Exceptions (ensuring you can also meet the General conditions) or secondly the WaterNSW Exceptions (D2022/152136). If the work can be done under either Exception it must be recorded in D2020/133333. If the proposed activities/works do not comply with the Exceptions, approval under s149 of the Heritage Act 1977 may be required. Consult with the Heritage Specialist or Adviser
2.1.3	Is the item identified on the LEP as locally significant?	☐ Yes ☒ No	If yes notification to Council with provision of a heritage impact assessment for the works is required, and any comments received within 21 days must be considered. Consult the Heritage Specialist for advice ⓘ
2.1.5	Is the item only listed on the WaterNSW s170 Register or will it be demolished or partially demolished or become unoccupied?	☐ Yes ☒ No	Discuss with the Heritage Specialist or Adviser for advice. If demolition or vacating is occurring, notification to Heritage NSW must be undertaken immediately.
To be Exempt Development - must involve no more than minimal impact on the heritage significance of the item or area [Refer TISEPP cl2.20 (e), (f)]			
2.1.6	Are the proposed works permissible under the Heritage NSW Standard Exemptions or WaterNSW Standard Exceptions? Consult the Heritage Specialist or Adviser	☐ Yes ☒ No	Refer to the Heritage NSW Standard Exemptions as guidance for works which may be done under the Standard Exemptions/ Archaeological Exceptions/WaterNSW Exceptions if they have little to no impact to an item's heritage significance and meet the relevant standards. If the work can be done as a Standard Exemption, WaterNSW Exception or Archaeological Exception it must be recorded in D2020/133333. If the proposed activities/works would not comply with the Standard Exemptions or site-specific exemptions, approval under the Heritage Act 1977 is required. Consult the Heritage Specialist or Adviser
2.1.7	Include details that support the above conclusions and any outcomes of consultation with the heritage specialist.	Works are to occur in accordance with HeritageNSW approval D2025/105283 titled 's60 and s65A - delegated approval letter_Appld_10906 Avon Dam Road Works'	
2.1.8	Is the item identified on the National Heritage List?	☐ Yes ☐ No	If yes contact the Heritage Specialist or Adviser to discuss the impact of works and test against the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 (EPBC Act) to ensure that the works do not have a significant impact on MNES.
2.1.9	Detail specific requirements or measures that need to be included in the Environmental Approval.	Works are to occur in accordance with HeritageNSW approval D2025/105283 titled 's60 and s65A - delegated approval letter_Appld_10906 Avon Dam Road Works'. Where there is ambiguity between the SoH (D2025/85004) for these works and the HeritageNSW approval (D2025/105283), the HeritageNSW approval prevails.	SR2
2.2	Are there any: - relevant confirmed site records or other associated landscape feature information on AHIMS? and/or - an Aboriginal Place? - other sources of information of which a person is already aware? and/or - landscape features that are likely to indicate	☒ Yes ☐ No	Landscape features that indicate the likely existence of Aboriginal objects. Is the proposed activity - within 200 metres of waters - within sand dunes on a ridge top/ridge line/headland - within 200 metres of the top or bottom of a cliff face - within 20m of or within a cave, rock shelter or a cave mouth AND the land is NOT previously disturbed

	the presence of Aboriginal objects? - an ILUA in place?		<i>An Aboriginal Heritage Information Management System (AHIMS) Web Services search must be undertaken using 200m buffer of the project or work and if positive undertake within 50m.</i> ILUA - Indigenous Land Use Agreement - use Nula



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If your search shows Aboriginal sites or places what should you do?

- You must do an extensive search if AHIMS has shown that there are Aboriginal sites or places recorded in the search area.
- If you are checking AHIMS as a part of your due diligence, refer to the next steps of the Due Diligence Code of practice.
- You can get further information about Aboriginal places by looking at the gazettal notice that declared it. Aboriginal places gazetted after 2001 are available on the [NSW Government Gazette](https://www.legislation.nsw.gov.au/gazette) (<https://www.legislation.nsw.gov.au/gazette>) website. Gazettal notices published prior to 2001 can be obtained from Heritage NSW upon request

Important information about your AHIMS search

- The information derived from the AHIMS search is only to be used for the purpose for which it was requested. It is not to be made available to the public.
- AHIMS records information about Aboriginal sites that have been provided to Heritage NSW and Aboriginal places that have been declared by the Minister;
- Information recorded on AHIMS may vary in its accuracy and may not be up to date. Location details are recorded as grid references and it is important to note that there may be errors or omissions in these recordings,
- Some parts of New South Wales have not been investigated in detail and there may be fewer records of Aboriginal sites in those areas. These areas may contain Aboriginal sites which are not recorded on AHIMS.
- Aboriginal objects are protected under the National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974 even if they are not recorded as a site on AHIMS.
- This search can form part of your due diligence and remains valid for 12 months.

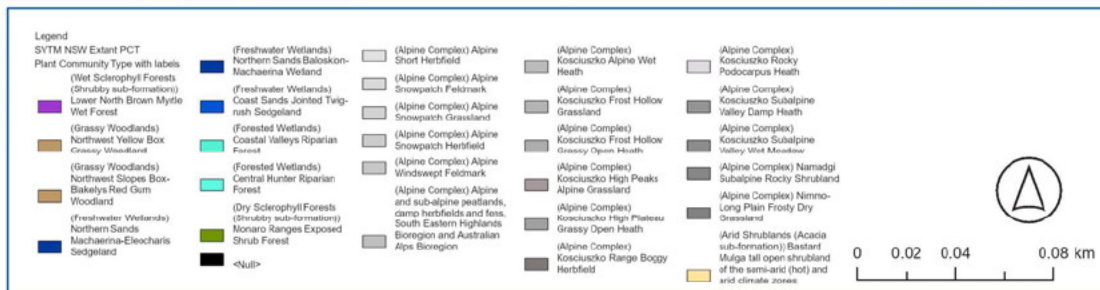
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2.2.1	Can harm to Aboriginal objects listed on AHIMS or identified by other sources of information and/or can the carrying out of the activity within the relevant landscape features, be avoided?	☒ Yes ☐ No	Possible solutions may include reducing the footprint area; re-positioning elements; re-routing infrastructure trenching or incorporating a no-development area into the site design.
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2.2.3	Provide outcomes of consultation with First Nations Team regarding the site assessment and Heritage specialist.	Project Manager is to familiarise themselves and undertake work in accordance with the findings/recommendations of the First Nations Aboriginal Object Due Diligence Assessment Internal Checklist. Details can be found within ARK file D2025/94237.	If your project or works is on land that is not disturbed land or contains known Aboriginal objects, engage expert to undertake desktop assessment and visual inspection of the area to see if Aboriginal objects can be identified or are likely to be present below the surface. Where Aboriginal objects are likely in the area of the proposed activity, an AHIP will be required.
HERITAGE			
Select the appropriate safeguards to manage the impacts			
H1	Heritage	Site induction shall include awareness of the heritage significance of the site. This shall include the importance of preventing accidental damage to any structure or historical remnants such as roads, steps & stairs, curbing, footings & foundations and picnic area facilities or interfering with any material associated with the heritage item.	☒ Yes ☐ N/A
H2	Heritage	All activities or work undertaken within the heritage precinct shall be carried out in a manner that will protect the fabric of the heritage item from damage or interference during the work.	☒ Yes ☐ N/A
H3	Heritage	If problems are encountered that necessitate a major change in the work method, works shall cease until the significance of the change can be assessed. The Water NSW Environmental Services Team shall be contacted for advice. Note: the works may require re-approval prior to recommencing, depending on the changes.	☒ Yes ☐ N/A
H4	Heritage	Replacement of missing, damaged or deteriorated fabric shall match existing fabric in appearance, material and method of fixing. If this is not possible, specific advice shall be obtained from the Water NSW Environmental Services Team before undertaking the replacement.	☒ Yes ☐ N/A
H5	Heritage	Painting shall be done using the Water NSW approved colour scheme available from the Heritage Adviser. If any specified colour is not available, Water NSW Heritage Adviser approval shall be obtained before an alternative colour is used.	☐ Yes ☒ N/A
H7	Heritage	The Upper Canal is potentially fragile due to its age and is heritage listed. The works shall be designed and undertaken in such a way that the Upper Canal is adequately protected from ground vibration and structural damage.	☐ Yes ☒ N/A
2.3	Is the project or work within or likely to affect any of the following? - Declared Wilderness Area - Declared Area of Outstanding Biodiversity Value - Critical habitat of an endangered species, population or ecological community	☐ Yes ☒ No	There are 49 areas of Wilderness across NSW, 4 affecting the Sydney Drinking Water Catchments: Look up details using NULA. For land declared critical habitat, check: 1. OEH Critical Habitat Register 2. DPI Fisheries Register of Critical Habitat Exempt development cannot be carried out in critical habitat of an endangered species, population or ecological community (identified under the Biodiversity Conservation Act or the Fisheries Management Act) An Area of Outstanding Biodiversity Value is declared under the Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016 and includes critical habitat.
2.3.1	Provide detailed project information relevant to the searches undertaken that supports the outcome.	There is a listing for the Woronora Bearded Heath, however these works are not anticipated to significantly impact the Woronora Bearded Heath.	
2.4	Is the project or works within or likely to affect any of the following areas: - World Heritage Land or land to which SEPP (Resilience & Hazards) 2021 applies - Wetlands and/or migratory birds - National Parks or Land covered by a Conservation Agreement	☐ Yes ☒ No	The Warragamba Special Area is within the Greater Blue Mountains World Heritage Area . See SEPP (Exempt & Complying Development) 2008 Clause 1.5 for inclusions of environmentally sensitive areas, use hyperlink to check: - an aquatic reserve under the Fisheries Management Act 1994 or a marine park under the Marine Parks Act 1997 - A RAMSAR wetland or a World Heritage area declared under the World Heritage Convention If works will impact on National Park or area with a conservation agreement consultation is required.
2.5	Are there any known contamination/hazardous materials issues?	☐ Yes ☒ No	Examples may include asbestos, contaminated soil. NULA Contaminated Land Risk Register (D2016/135491) and Hazardous Materials Register (D2015/74763). Register - Gauging Stations, 26 November 2014 - Asbestos NSW Office of Water D2015/74762
2.6	Does the project or works require consent under State Environmental Planning Policy (Biodiversity and Conservation) 2021 or the	☐ Yes ☒ No	Check permissibilities under the LLS Act and State Environmental Planning Policy (Biodiversity and Conservation) 2021. Refer to the Local Land Services Act 2013 Section 60A 600

	Local Land Services Act 2013? <i>Use the Native Vegetation Regulatory Maps to determine vegetation category.</i>		60Q Schedule 5A for authorisations and permissibilities.
2.6.1	Provide details about the extent and nature of the clearing activity. Include what authorisations exist or approvals are required.	These works are in the PCT 3595 which is the Sydney Coastal Sandstone Gully Forest. This PCT is not listed as threatened / vulnerable or endangered.	<i>Ensure no ancillary activities require clearing.</i> <i>Record justification if clearing can be undertaken without approval.</i> <i>Attach evidence of consultation where required.</i>



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- a license or permit is required
- it is carried out in a waterway where flow interruptions are required
- there is likely to be a community impact

			• it will result in the clearing of mature trees or a large area of understorey or native grasses • it will impact on an aboriginal heritage item • it will result in large scale soil disturbance • it will result in an increase in hard surfaces • it will result in the creation of new tracks, roads • it will result in more than minimal modifications / alterations to items of State or local significance
2.7.1	Provide all additional information relevant to the activity that supports the above assessment.	Heritage NSW granted a s60 approval for these works which indicate these works have a greater than minimal impact. For details please refer to D2025/105283 s60 and s65A – delegated approval letter_Appld_10906 Avon Dam Road Works. Where there is ambiguity between the SoH (D2025/85004) for these works and the HeritageNSW approval (D2025/105283), the HeritageNSW approval prevails.	Details here will not appear elsewhere on the approval. Whether Yes or No response is provided, add supporting details.
2.7.4	Does the project or work fall within one of the development categories permitted without consent listed under SEPP (Transport and Infrastructure) 2021 and does the project or work comply with any criteria specified in the relevant clause?	☒ Yes ☐ No	If there is no applicable development category, consider what approval mechanism is most likely to apply for the project.
2.7.5	Detail the planning instrument, development category and development without consent type that best describes the project or works?	TI SEPP Division 24 Water supply systems 2.159 Development permitted without consent—general (2) Development for the purpose of water storage facilities may be carried out without consent if it is carried out by or on behalf of— (a) any public authority on land in Zone RU1 Primary Production, Zone RU2 Rural Landscape, Zone SP1 Special Activities, Zone SP2 Infrastructure or an equivalent land use zone, or	
Complete Section 3 Minor Works Review of Environmental Factors			
2.8	Are there any special environmental safeguards, controls or mitigation measures that need to be implemented during the project?	☐ Yes ☒ No	
2.9	Does the project or works require notification under the Fisheries Management Act?	☐ Yes ☒ No	Activities that could trigger requirement include: • Dredging or reclamation on water land (S198A and C263) • Construction, alteration or modifications to a dam, weir or reservoir (S218) • Interruptions to water flows or does the project or work obstruct the passage of fish (S219)
SECTION 3 MINOR WORKS REVIEW OF ENVIRONMENTAL FACTORS			
	QUESTIONS	ANSWERS	GUIDANCE
3.1	Are the project or works outside of standard construction hours (refer 1.10)?	☐ Yes ☒ No	The planned site work hours were identified at 1.10. Standard Hours are : Mon-Fri 7am-6pm, Sat 8am-1pm, No work Sunday or Public Holidays. Non-standard hours may require additional noise assessments to be prepared. Refer - NSW EPA Interim Construction Noise Guidelines for assessment guidance. Note: these guidelines are to be replaced, refer NSW EPA construction noise web site for changes.
3.2	Does the project or work require a permit/ approval under the Water Act and/or Water Management Act?	☐ Yes ☒ No	Activities that could trigger requirement include: • Water supply, drainage or flood works • Affect flow of water to or from river or lake (e.g. a levee on a floodplain) • Water use (e.g. water extraction from a river)
3.3	Does the project or work require a permit/ approval/consultation from any other relevant authorities/agencies?	☐ Yes ☒ No	Note: Relevant authorities/ agencies may include, but are not limited to: • LLS (natural resource management) • DPE-Environment/NP&WS (works on or adjacent to land reserved under National Parks & Wildlife Act) • DPI – NSW Crown Lands Division • DPI – State Forests

			• Local Council (flood liable land) • Roads and Maritime Services (works affecting RMS roads or in navigable waters) • MDBA (River Murray works) • TISEPP consultation
3.4	Will the project or work involve working in the riverine land of the Murray River, the waters and the bed and banks of its tributaries and associated water bodies OR along the NSW Border?	☐ Yes ☒ No	Check map indexes to see affected areas STW130254 e.g. Conargo, Corowa, Deniliquin, Hume, Murray, Wakool, Wentworth and Windouran
3.5	Will the project or work (including any access tracks or ancillary works) affect, or likely to affect, any threatened species, population, ecological community or their habitat? (this includes State or Commonwealth listings)	☒ Yes ☐ No	Check: 1. OEH Critical Habitat Register 2. NSW BioNet - NSW Wildlife Atlas Search 3. Threatened fish species 4. EPBC - Protected Matters SearchTool https://www.environment.gov.au/epbc/what-is-protected
3.5.1	Provide details of the likely impact including any Assessment of Significant Effect.	While it is known that the vulnerable species Woronora Bearded Heath is within the locality of the project, it is not anticipated that these works will have a significant impact upon the species.	Eg, Is the impact likely to be minimal, moderate or significant? If the impact is likely to be significant a Species Impact Statement (SIS) is required. Has an Assessment of Significant Affect been undertaken Is a SIS required?
3.6	Will the project or work have an affect on a Matter of National Environmental Significance?	☐ Yes ☒ No	The EPBC - Protected Matters SearchTool can be used to find out if an area is likely to contain MNES. For guidance on undertaking an Assessment of Significant Effect refer to the Significant Impact Guidelines 1.1 - Matters of National Environmental Significance
3.7	Are there any special environmental safeguards, controls or mitigation measures that need to be implemented during this project or works?	☒ Yes ☐ No	Is there anything special about the site that needs to be protected? Are there any site specific controls or measures that you think the contractor needs to understand and follow?
3.7.1	Provide details	Project Manager is to familiarise themselves and undertake work in accordance with the findings/recommendations of the First Nations Aboriginal Object Due Diligence Assessment Internal Checklist. Details can be found within ARK file D2025/94237.	PS2
3.8	Is the activity likely to significantly affect the environment including, critical habitat, threatened species, populations or ecological communities or their habitats?	☐ Yes ☒ No	Part 5 of EP&A Act, states if the activity is "likely to significantly affect the environment (including critical habitat) or threatened species, populations or ecological communities, or their habitats", then there is likely to be a significant impact and an EIS/SIS must be prepared, see Sections 5.1 & 5.5.
3.8.1	What is the likely impact of the activity on the environment?	The factors listed in clause 171(2) of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation were taken into account when undertaking this assessment. After a desktop review it was determined that these works will have an insignificant impact upon the environment. Any environmental impact on a community? During construction, there would be construction related noise air quality impacts. Impacts would be minimised through implementing the safeguards and management measures identified in this document. Any transformation of a locality? The landscape character would be altered on a minimal scale. The changes would be minor and limited from a distance. Any environmental impact on the ecosystems of the locality? The assessment of biodiversity indicates potential impacts to biodiversity would not be significant. Impacts to biodiversity would be minimised through implementing the safeguards and management measures identified in this document. Any reduction of the aesthetic, recreational, scientific or other environmental quality or value of a locality? There would be temporary aesthetic impacts during construction of the Proposal, including elevated noise levels, reduced visual amenity and restricted access. No long-term reduction to these environmental qualities	When considering the likely impact of an activity on the environment, the proponent and determining authority must take into account the factors listed in clause 171(2) of the EP&A Regulation or Table 1 of the Guidelines for Division 5.1 Assessments.

		and values are anticipated. Any effect on a locality, place or building having aesthetic, anthropological, archaeological, architectural, cultural, historical, scientific or social significance or other special value for present or future generations? The Proposal would result in direct impacts to a heritage listed item during construction (e.g., site works), however impacts would be minimised through implementing the safeguards and management measures identified in this document. Any impact on the habitat of protected animals, within the meaning of the Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016? This assessment indicates potential impacts to biodiversity would not be significant, however impacts would be minimised through implementing the safeguards and management measures identified in this document. Any endangering of any species of animal, plant or other form of life, whether living on land, in water or in the air? No. Impacts would be minimised through implementing the safeguards and management measures identified in this document. Any long-term effects on the environment? The Proposal would result in a neutral -term impact on the visual amenity of the area. Any degradation of the quality of the environment? Works associated with this assessment could lead to a degradation of the environment, however impacts would be minimised through implementing the safeguards and management measures identified in this document. Any risk to the safety of the environment? Construction related activities pose potential risks to the safety of the environment, however impacts would be minimised through implementing the safeguards and management measures identified in this document. Any reduction in the range of beneficial uses of the environment? Following these works, the proposal would not reduce the range of beneficial uses of the environment. Any pollution of the environment? Construction related activities may result in pollution of the environment, however impacts would be minimised through implementing the safeguards and management measures identified in this document. Any environmental problems associated with the disposal of waste? Any wastes generated by the proposal would be disposed of at an off-site facility licensed to receive such waste. Therefore, there would not be significant environmental problems associated with waste disposal. Any increased demands on resources (natural or otherwise) that are, or are likely to become, in short supply? All resources required by the proposal are readily available and are not likely to become in short supply. Any cumulative environmental effect with other existing or likely future activities? No cumulative impacts associated with other projects in the area were identified. Any impact on coastal processes and coastal hazards, including those under projected climate change conditions?	
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		The proposal would not have any significant impacts on coastal processes. Applicable local strategic planning statements, regional strategic plans or district strategic plans made under the Act, Division 3.1 The proposal aligns with strategic plans, as described in section 4.1. Other relevant environmental factors In considering the potential impacts of this Proposal all relevant environmental factors have been considered.	
Section 4 - Environmental Approval to be completed, finalised, filed in ARK project folder and sent to the Project Manager			

SECTION 4 ENVIRONMENTAL APPROVAL			
Project Details			
myWaterNSW Request #: RITM	RITM0852573	ARK Minor Works EIA Form #	D2025/79065[V1]
WaterNSW Contact		Project Location	Avon Dam - locations as per site plan photo below
Project Title	Greater Sydney Road Renewals - Avon Dam		
Approved Activity	Compressor Area- Pavement detail: excavate up to 300mm to subgrade, compact top 200mm subgrade to 98%, install 150mm subbase, 125-150mm base and 25mm bitument seal as per design drawings- Remove existing cross drains and install 2 new cross drains including headwalls, concrete pipe and rip rap dissipater- Install open table drainage as per design drawings- Clear approximately 350m2 vegetation to allow for additional vehicle maneuvering space- Widen approach intersection into compressor access road by removing existing part of existing rock face- Pothole repairs on approach road into compressor access road at identified sections Helipad Area- Pavement detail: excavate up to 300mm to subgrade, compact top 200mm subgrade to 98%, install 150mm subbase, 125-150mm base and 25mm bitument seal as per design drawings- Install 2 new cross drains including headwalls, concrete pipe and rip rap dissipater- Install open table drainage as per design drawings		
Project Manager Responsibilities			
In carrying out the project or works, it is the Project Manager's responsibility to ensure that the works are carried out as described within this assessment and that all safeguards listed within this approval are complied with. The Project Manager must also ensure that all licences, permits and approvals are obtained and maintained as required and that all statutory and regulatory requirements are complied with throughout the project or works. The Project Manager is also to ensure compliance with the Building Code of Australia and other relevant technical, manufacturer or industry standards as may be required.			
CEMP Requirement			
A Construction Environmental Management Plan (CEMP), or equivalent, shall be prepared addressing the environmental safeguards identified in the EIA approval and any appropriate industry standards. The CEMP shall be submitted to the Environmental Services team for review and approval prior to on-ground works commencing.			
Environmental Safeguards			
General			
G1	All WaterNSW Work Health and Safety requirements must be adhered to.		
G2	All complaints and compliments shall be directed to - feedback@waterNSW.com.au or 1300 662 077.		
G3	All environment incidents shall be addressed in accordance with WaterNSW's Environmental Incident Management Procedure CD2016/6*.		
G4	If works have not commenced within 2 years of this approval, the EIA form must be re-submitted prior to the commencement of works, to ensure the controls remain in line with current legislation and internal procedures including re-approval by the Environmental Services team.		
G5	Site inductions shall include all aspects, impacts and controls identified in the EIA/REF and Environmental Approval.		
G6	For any shutdown, completion of Site Shutdown (RACS requirement) shall be completed at least 24 hours prior to shutdown commencing.		
G7	Approved Standard Hours are : Mon-Fri 7am-6pm, Sat 8am-1pm, No work Sunday or Public Holidays. For any proposed works outside approved standard construction hours, an Out of Hours Application CD2015/210* shall be submitted to the Environmental Services team, allowing 10 working days for approval.		
G8	If any items which have the potential to be of heritage significance are encountered, works shall cease until the significance of the item can be established. The Water NSW Environmental Services Team should be contacted for advice on the appropriate course of action to take.		
G9	If any Aboriginal cultural material (e.g. relics such as stone tools, worked bone or fire hearths) is encountered within or immediately adjacent to the work area, work shall stop immediately until the significance of the item can be established. Water NSW Procedure CD2012/184* - Unexpected Aboriginal Objects Procedure should be followed.		
G10	All sediment and erosion controls shall be installed according to the requirements of <i>Managing Urban Stormwater: Soils and Construction - Volume 1, 4th Edition 'Blue Book'</i> .		
G11	WaterNSW Tree Clearing Permit CD2021/110* must be completed and authorised by the works supervisor before vegetation removal activities commence.		
Community			
Traffic and Utilities			
Special and Controlled Areas			
SP1	All activities or work undertaken in Water NSW Special / Controlled Areas shall be carried out in a manner that will prevent or minimise impacts on water quality, environmental damage and fire.		
SP2	Standard access requirements of Water NSW catchment lands shall be observed. This includes restricted access to the catchment after periods of significant rainfall (typically 10mm in a 24 hour period).		

SP3	All gates and barriers shall be closed and locked at all times to prevent unauthorised access to the Special/Controlled Area
SP4	Any suspected unauthorised access to the area shall be reported to the Water NSW supervisor and report in RACS system.
SP5	All incidents, spills or fire sightings that occur in the WaterNSW Special / Controlled Area shall be immediately reported to the Water supervisor/Project Manager and reported in RACS system.
SP6	Works shall not be undertaken and vehicles shall not travel on unsealed roads in the Water NSW Special / Controlled Areas when road surfaces are saturated, water is flowing down table drains or the catchment has been closed by Water NSW.
SP7	Portable fuel trailers shall be taken off catchment at the end of each working week.
SP8	Any imported fill material shall be restricted to 'Virgin excavated natural material' (eg clay, gravel, sand soil and rock) that is not mixed with any other waste. Coal waste materials shall not be used in the construction or maintenance of trails.
SP10	In the event Water NSW fire roads are damaged as a result of the works, they shall be repaired as soon as practicable.
SP11	All equipment transported to the site shall be thoroughly washed down, including underneath tractors and slashers, to remove mud, dirt and vegetative materials, prior to entering the Water NSW Special / Controlled Areas.
Soil and Water	
SW1	All works shall be undertaken in a manner that will minimise site disturbance and avoids or minimise erosion and sedimentation.
SW2	All areas disturbed during the works shall be protected by installing appropriate erosion and sedimentation control measures so that sediment-laden runoff does not enter any drainage line or wetland. Measures may include: - o diverting any potential upslope runoff and stormwater away from the site; - o installing temporary erosion control devices (eg sediment fencing, sand bags, sediment basins); - o temporary surface protection (eg surface mulching, geotextile/erosion control matting).
SW3	All erosion and sediment control measures shall be checked and maintained on a regular basis so that they work effectively at all times, including removing trapped sediment before or when 30% capacity is reached. Control measures shall not be removed before the ground surface is stabilised.
SW4	A maintenance checklist shall be prepared for sites. Records shall be kept of all checks and maintenance and shall be provide to Water NSW on request. As a minimum this shall include a regular check of: - o sediment fencing/bunding - o any sign of erosion of the site or material - o any impact on adjacent vegetation (material shall be kept outside the dripline of any tree) - o the safe storage of any chemicals, fuels or lubricants - o the height, gradient and stability of any stockpile (<2m high and 2:1 slope)
SW5	Chemicals, fuels and lubricants shall be securely stored in approved containers and spill containment material shall be kept on site ready for immediate use. Bund capacity is to be at least 110 % of the largest container & 25% of the total stored volume
SW6	No chemicals, fuels and lubricants shall be shall be stored overnight on site unless specifically approved by Water NSW. If approved, these materials shall be stored with bunding within an established site compound, on a level area clear of native vegetation and at least 40m from any natural or built drainage line or wetland.
SW7	Plant and equipment shall not be refuelled within 20m of any natural or built drainage line or wetland. During any refuelling, spill containment material shall be on hand ready for immediate use.
SW8	Weather forecasts shall be regularly checked so that expected storm events can be taken into account in project planning and erosion and sediment management.
SW9	Temporary compounds and stockpiles shall be located: - o at least 40m from natural or built drainage lines or wetland; - o on areas previously disturbed and that do not require the clearing of native vegetation; - o on level, hard ground wherever possible, and shall not be located on slopes steeper than 1(V):10(H); - o beyond tree drip lines; - o where there is no risk of impact on any indigenous or non-indigenous heritage site.
SW10	Topsoil shall be stockpiled separately from general spoil and reused wherever possible.
SW11	Concrete shall not be mixed within 20m of any natural or built drainage line or wetland. All concrete waste and any concrete washout shall be contained and removed for disposal off site at a lawful facility. Washout of trucks on site shall be minimised wherever possible.
SW12	Any wastewater generated during the works shall be contained for disposal offsite at a lawful facility. Water contaminated with sediment can only be discharged in a manner that prevents the sediment entering natural or built drainage lines or wetland.
SW14	Any mixing of paints is to be carried out over a waterproof membrane of at least 4 square metres in area. The contractor is to take all reasonable steps to prevent spillage of paint.
Flora and Fauna	

FF1	Vegetation disturbance or clearing shall be minimised to the greatest degree practical and only in accordance with EIA approval.
FF3	Any vegetative material that has been cleared, lopped or otherwise removed shall be retained and used as surface mulching to assist site revegetation on completion of the works.
FF4	Fallen logs shall be pushed out of the work areas and into adjoining areas wherever possible. Cutting up of logs over 40cm dbh with hollows shall be minimised.
FF5	Disturbance of rock ledges, caves, overhangs and surface bush rock shall be avoided wherever possible.
FF6	Retained vegetation and trees shall be protected from accidental damage, encroachment or smothering by temporary fencing, flagging or similar. Drip lines of trees are to be avoided.
FF7	All equipment transported to the site shall be free of contaminants such as weeds.
FF8	Undertake Preclearance check including demarcation of trees and inspection for habitat features (e.g. tree hollows, nests etc) /fauna (if present felling and engagement of ecologist). Where possible clearing of vegetation with habitat features should be undertaken during summer to minimise potential impacts to nesting fauna.
Pest and Weed Control	
P4	Mixing or decanting of herbicides shall not be undertaken within 20m of any natural or built drainage line or wetland.
P5	All vehicles, vessels and equipment transported to the site shall be free of contaminants such as weeds. Care shall also be taken to ensure all vehicles, vessels and equipment are free of aquatic weeds and their seeds before leaving the site.
P6	All debris from control works shall be removed from flood-prone areas and only left onsite with approval of WaterNSW
Air Quality	
Noise and Vibration	
Heritage	
H1	Site induction shall include awareness of the heritage significance of the site. This shall include the importance of preventing accidental damage to any structure or historical remnants such as roads, steps & stairs, curbing, footings & foundations and picnic area facilities or interfering with any material associated with the heritage item.
H2	All activities or work undertaken within the heritage precinct shall be carried out in a manner that will protect the fabric of the heritage item from damage or interference during the work.
H3	If problems are encountered that require a major change in the work method, works shall cease until the significance of the change can be assessed. The Water NSW Environmental Services Team shall be contacted for advice. Note: the works may require re-approval prior to recommencing, depending on the changes.
H4	Replacement of missing, damaged or deteriorated fabric shall match existing fabric in appearance, material and method of fixing. If this is not possible, specific advice shall be obtained from the Water NSW Environmental Services Team before undertaking the replacement.
Waste	
W1	All working areas shall be maintained, kept free of rubbish and cleaned up at the end of each working day. Equipment and materials shall be securely stored.
W2	If the contractor is working at the same location for more than one day, self-contained portable ablution and toilet facilities shall be provided, unless otherwise specifically negotiated with Water NSW. These facilities shall be located at least 20m from any natural or built drainage line or wetland.
W4	All waste fluids generated during the works, including from the washing of painting equipment and human effluent, shall be contained for proper disposal offsite in accordance with Workcover and NSW government guidelines.
W5	All waste removal, transport and disposal, including excess spoil, shall be in accordance with the regulatory agency's (EPA) current guidelines for waste. Materials shall be recycled wherever possible. Dockets or equivalent evidence shall be obtained for all recycling and waste disposal, detailing the weights, materials, time and date and waste facility used. These dockets shall be available onsite and submitted with monthly reports.
Site Decommissioning and Restoration	
Fencing	
PROJECT SPECIFIC SAFEGUARDS	
PS2	Project Manager is to familiarise themselves and undertake work in accordance with the findings/recommendations of the First Nations Aboriginal Object Due Diligence Assessment Internal Checklist. Details can be found within ARK file D2025/94237.
STAKEHOLDER REQUIREMENTS	
SR2	Works are to occur in accordance with HeritageNSW approval D2025/105283 titled 's60 and s65A - delegated approval letter_Appld_10906 Avon Dam Road Works'. Where there is ambiguity between the SoH (D2025/85004) for these works and the HeritageNSW approval (D2025/105283), the HeritageNSW approval prevails.
DECLARATION AND SIGN-OFF	

Author Certification - I certify that I have reviewed and endorse the contents of this EIA document and, to the best of my knowledge, it is in accordance with the EP&A Act 1979, the EP&A Regulation 2021 and the Guidelines approved under clause 170 of the EP&A Regulation 2021, and the information it contains is neither false nor misleading.

This REF has been prepared in accordance with Section 5.5 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* (EP&A Act). Under Part 5 of the EP&A Act, WaterNSW is both the proponent and determining authority for the proposed activity. The State Environmental Planning Policy (Transport & Infrastructure) 2021 allows the proposal to be carried out without development consent. WaterNSW has prepared this REF in accordance with Clause 170 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2021.

On the basis of the assessment and having taken into account to the fullest extent possible all matters likely to affect the environment as a result of the proposed activity, it is concluded that, by adopting the measures identified in the REF, there is unlikely to be a significant environmental impact as a result of undertaking the proposed activity. Accordingly, an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) is not required.

If the scope of work or work methods described in this report change either prior to or during works, additional Environmental Impact Assessment must be undertaken.

The proposed project/works described within this document are classified as 'exempt development' in accordance with the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* (EP&A Act) and the *State Environmental Planning Policy (Transport & Infrastructure) 2021*. WaterNSW is satisfied that the proposed project/works:

- will have no more than a minimal impact on the environment,
- will not significantly impact critical habitat of an endangered species, population or ecological community, or a wilderness area,
- satisfy the requirements of clause 20 of the *State Environmental Planning Policy (Transport & Infrastructure) 2021*; and
- do not involve the removal of asbestos unless that removal is undertaken in accordance with *Working with Asbestos: Guide 2008* published by the WorkCover Authority.

If the scope of work or work methods described in this report change either prior to or during works, additional Environmental Impact Assessment must be undertaken.

If this Minor Works EIA/REF is to be published in accordance with the NSW DPE *Guidelines for Division 5.1 assessments*, all relevant studies used to prepare the EIA are to be attached to the form & placed on the WaterNSW website prior to the commencement of works.

Approval ARK # ⓘ	D2025/79065[V2]
Environmental Adviser Approval Environmental Impact Assessment for Minor Works was approved/endorsed by	