# Wyangala Dam Wall Raising



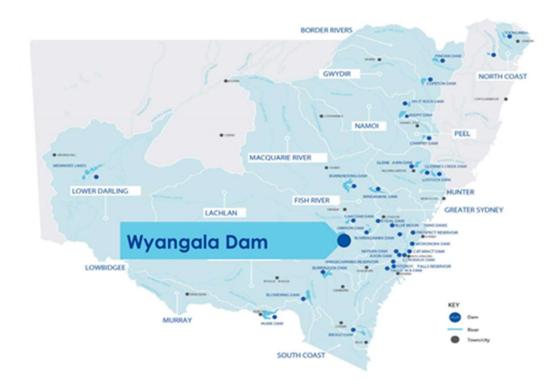
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## Overview of today's webinar



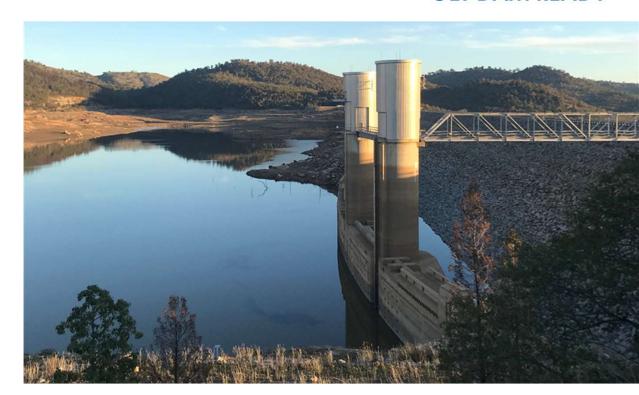
- Introductions
- Project overview and update
- Environmental assessment update
- Construction update
- Engagement update
- Contact with contractors
- How to register
- Opportunity to ask questions



## **Introductions**



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- Today's webinar Part of regular project update program



## **Background**

# Since late 2019 we have been developing the project:

- Finalising the concept design
- Field work almost complete
- Procurement for a new Wyangala Water Treatment Plant
- Preparation of inputs for final business case
- Engaging with stakeholders, communities and Aboriginal parties
- Establishing a project office



NSW Government funds a feasibility study into Cranky Rock Dam

Federal Government identifies new dam on Belubula River (Needles Gap) for feasibility investigations

Lachlan identified as priority catchment under NSW State Infrastructure Strategy



2015

Feasibility study phase 1 recommends a further study into build and non-build options



Feasibility study – phase 2 investigations continue



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Feasibility study (phase 2) completed

#### June

Wyangala Dam Wall Raising project identified in 20-year Infrastructure Options Study

NSW Government provides funding for project's final business case



NSW Government lists project in Critical Needs (Water Supply) Act 2019

NSW and Commonwealth Governments announce funding for project



Concept design started

Environment Impact Statement preparation and assessments started

Site investigations and environmental field studies started

Landholder engagement started

Community information sessions and webinars started



#### **GET DAM READY**

## **Key benefits:**

- Increase storage capacity of the dam by 53%
- Significantly improves:
  - drought resilience
  - Water reliability
  - flood attenuation
- Increases capability to manage high inflow/flood events



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## **Confirmed Full Supply Level**





### Confirmed 10m Full Supply Level will inform:

- Environmental Impact Statement
- Final business case
- Concept design
- Holiday Park planning work

## 2021 activities





Environmental field surveys and geotechnical investigations continue



Landholder engagement continues



Community information sessions and webinars continue



Environmental Impact Statement public display for consultation



Final business case developed



Construction partner procurement



Detailed design starts



Construction of Water Treatment Plant at Wyangala starts



Construction planning for Holiday Parks finalised

### **Environmental assessment**



### Key features include:

- 10m increase in Full Supply Level
- Modify spillway to suit new FSL and embankment
- Modify intake towers to suit new FSL
- New saddle dam near the entrance of Wyangala Waters Holiday Park



## **Environmental update**



#### **GET DAM READY**

#### Specialist studies update



Terrestrial biodiversity fieldwork completed, assessment underway



Aquatic ecology fieldwork complete, assessment underway



Aboriginal Cultural heritage fieldwork complete, assessment underway



Non-Aboriginal heritage assessment underway



Traffic and transport assessment underway



Noise and vibration assessment underway



Air quality assessment underway



Health impacts assessment underway



Contamination and soils assessment underway



**Hydrology** modelling and assessment underway



**Flood** modelling complete, assessment underway



Environmental Sustainable Development (ISCA) assessment underway



Landscape and visual impact assessment underway



Social impacts
Assessment underway



Waste assessment underway



Climate change risk and greenhouse gas assessment underway

## **Further detail**







### Construction



#### **GET DAM READY**

#### Construction staging program:

- Dam must remain operational
- Manage operation and construction safety
- Construction is expected to take up to four years – main wall and saddle dam

#### Clay and rock required:

- Materials to be sourced locally and as close to project site as possible
- Considering expanding rock quarry used for previous dam construction



Stage 1 - Preparing downstream foundation

Stage 2 – Placing downstream rock fill

Stage 3 – Removing existing dam crest

Stage 4 – Start raising dam wall

Stage 5 – Finish raising dam wall

### **New Water Treatment Plant**



- 'No regrets' project
- Planning pathway
- Procurement
- Construction & commissioning
- Benefits



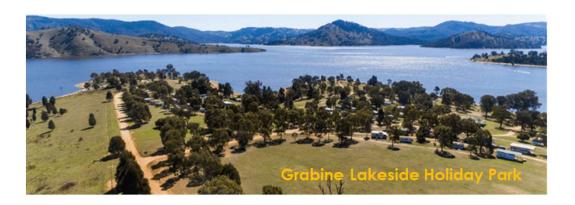
## **Ancillary work**

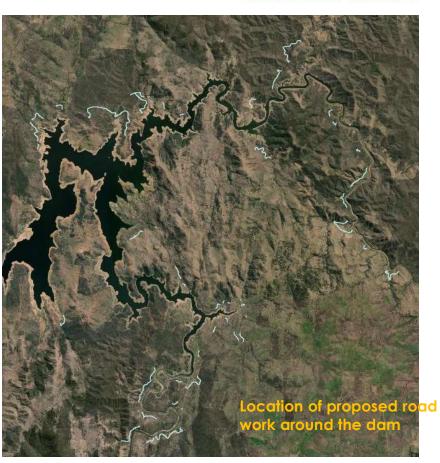


#### **GET DAM READY**

Ancillary work impact areas and activities include:

- Relocating existing public and private roads and infrastructure (blue)
- Relocating facilities within both Wyangala
   Waters and Grabine Lakeside Holiday Parks





## Traffic and transport

- Majority of construction traffic via Darby Falls Road (blue). Estimates about 130 heavy vehicles and 250 light vehicles
- Some construction traffic through village for saddle dam (green) and potentially some haulage of clay
- No heavy vehicles on Reg Hailstone Way
- Haulage of rock material for new raised embankment would be contained within project site (yellow)
- Traffic routes and volumes being refined in consultation with construction contractors

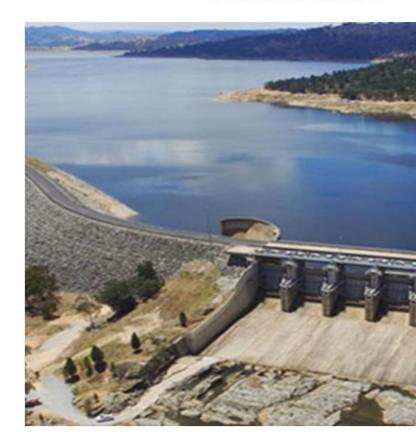




## **Procurement process**

- Shortlisted two separate contractors, Acciona and Seymour Whyte for main construction work
- Appoint successful main construction work contractor
- Start main construction delivery





### Procurement – contact with contractors



- Strict probity and confidentiality arrangements
- **Businesses to contact WaterNSW contractors** should not be contacted directly
- WaterNSW has established a local business register



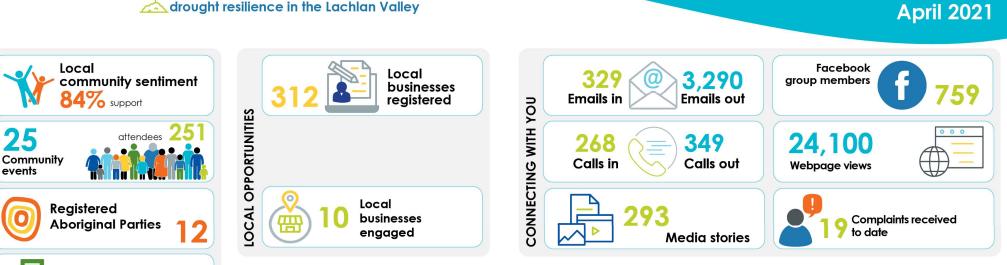
## How to register



- Local Business Register WaterNSW
- www.waternsw.com.au > projects > New Dams for NSW > Wyangala Dam > Local Business Register
- The register asks you to provide a short summary, business location and preferred method of contact
- Water Treatment Plant contractor and major construction contractors to demonstrate maximising local business and employment opportunities







#### WHAT'S HAPPENING IN APRIL?

- Our quarterly project newsletter will be published for the community, stakeholders and businesses
- Wyangala Waters and Grabine Lakeside Holiday Park onsite pop-up information sessions are on Thursday 8, Friday 9 and Saturday 10 April
- Local business webinars on 15 and 16 April. To RSVP, visit the website

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Stakeholder

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**ENGAGEMENT TO DATE** 

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# Thank you

## **Questions**



