Fact sheet Eden Creek Weir Removal

JULY 2024

WaterNSW is delivering a Fishway Program to deliver new fish passages at several dams and weirs throughout NSW to improve natural fish migration while continuing to supply reliable and sustainable water to our customers and the communities in which we live and work.

As part of the Fishway Program, a detailed review was conducted on the Eden Creek Weir, which determined the structure as a barrier for fish passage within the system and



recommended the removal of the Weir.

The removal of Eden Creek Weir will deliver on a key action under the **NSW Marine Estate** Management Strategy (2018-2028) (MEMS) to improve fish passage in coastal catchments and will build on the previous fish passage removal works at Cookes Creeks. The removal of the Eden Creek Weir will ensure an unrestricted fish passage (more than 43km) within the system, re-establishing natural sediment fluxes.

The Fishway Program aligns with our vision to play a key part in creating a more resilient water system and enabling thriving and healthy ecosystems, whilst reducing our environmental footprint.

Project timeline (as at July 2024)

- Review of Environmental Factors (REF) update between May and August 2024, including review of ecological assessment due to the notification of a platypus habitat in the area.
- Proposed construction to be advised pending REF recommendations.
- Extensive and meaningful community and stakeholder engagement is planned following finalisation of the REF.

Working with the community

Following the finalisation of the upcoming Geomorphic survey and Cultural Heritage assessment, our team will be in contact and provide an update to all key stakeholders. We will continue to work closely with impacted stakeholders and provide additional information and key dates to ensure we minimise any impacts of this work.



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