

Sustainable Diversion Limits (SDL) adjustment projects

Lindsay Island

On completion, the SDL project at Lindsay Island has the potential to support the watering and restoration of 5,365 hectares of environmentally and culturally significant floodplain.

Overview

The Living Murray Icon site west of Mildura

5,365 hectares of potential inundation

Securing environmental outcomes using less water

Lindsay Island, located 100km west of Mildura, is part of the Chowlla Floodplain-Lindsay- Wallpolla Icon Site under The Living Murray (TLM). It has great cultural significance to the Indigenous community and is also a popular place for boating, photography and camping. It has been part of the Murray-Sunset National Park since 1991.

Proposed Infrastructure

The project would involve the construction of a large regulator across the Lindsay River, near Berribee Homestead and will include an access crossing and fishway, along with 18 smaller regulators, 8.9 kms of levee banks on existing tracks, three hardstand areas to support temporary pumps, 24 levees and two channels and spillways. In total, this project will support the watering of 5,365 hectares of floodplain.

Benefits

The project will restore the condition of the landscape, protecting threatened vegetation and the ecological and cultural values of the site, through improved water quality, flows and inundation. We expect to see stable frog and fish populations, improved productivity of wetlands, improved breeding habitat for waterbirds and restoration of populations of species such as the carpet python.



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The proposed project at Lindsay Island complements the Upper Lindsay works already undertaken, funded through the TLM and completed between 2013 and 2015 to deliver environmental outcomes as set under the Basin Plan, using less water, meaning more is left in the system for consumptive use.

Current Status

In early 2019 the VMFRP secured funding from the Commonwealth government to progress engagement with communities and the development of detailed designs and approvals. The project will deliver this work over the next two years in order to secure funding for construction of the works before 2024.

Want to know more?

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