

# Reconnecting River Country

## Mitigation Measures

Changes to river management as part of the [NSW Reconnecting River Country Program](#) (the program) are likely to result in periodic low-level inundation of public and private land, with benefits and impacts to landholders and communities. Results are expected to include enhanced outcomes for river habitats, native fish and other fauna.

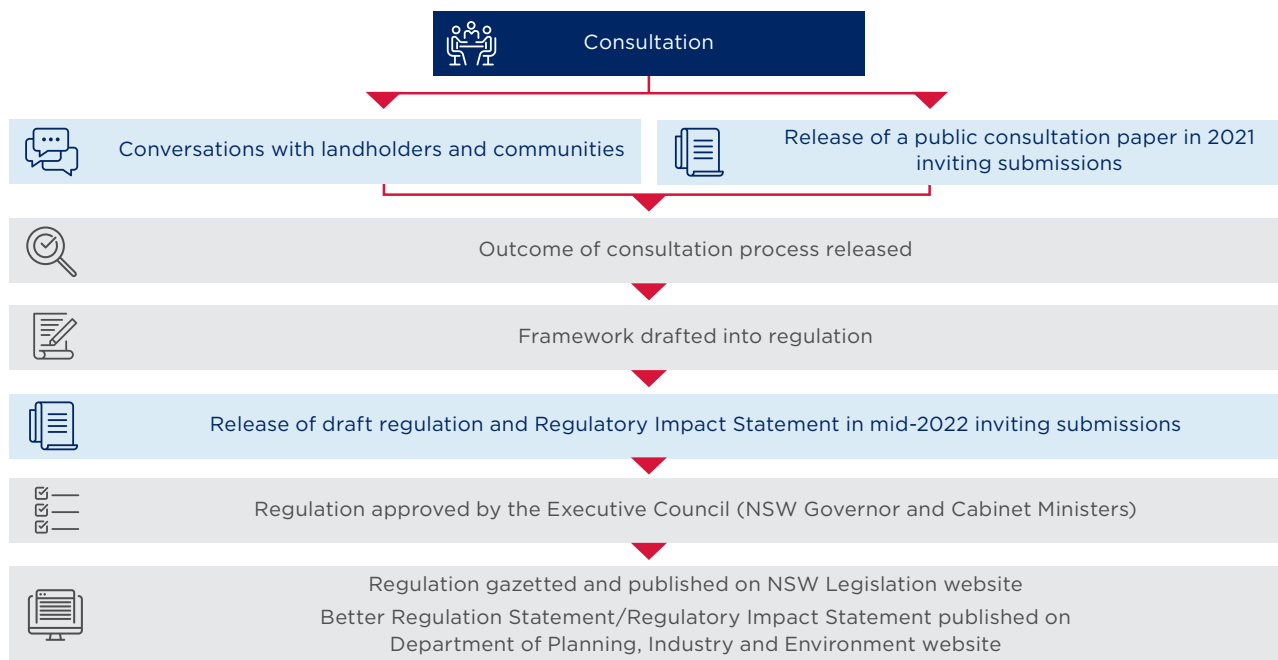
We will collaborate with landholders and the community to achieve a fair and equitable outcome for affected stakeholders. This includes:

- a clear and transparent negotiating framework to enable private landholders to raise issues and discuss mitigation of higher flows

- a collection of materials and tools to inform negotiations with both private and public landholders, and other affected parties, on what the NSW Government can offer landholders to mitigate potential disruptions caused by higher flows.

We will collaborate with a broad range of stakeholders to ensure issues are identified and a suite of mitigation tools developed before changes to existing rules, policies or infrastructure are considered.

## How will the negotiation framework be developed?



## How will mitigation measures be developed?

The NSW Government is committed to developing a fair and equitable compensation and mitigation framework for the program. We will work in close collaboration with the community to develop a range of mitigation tools and options for landholders affected by relaxed constraints.

Some of the mitigation options to be explored as part of this collaboration process could include:



**Compensation**



**On farm works**



**New or improved infrastructure**

Once developed, the 'toolkit' of measures will provide the focus for discussions about mitigation options between the NSW Government, private and public landholders, and other affected stakeholders.

## How can I get involved and have my say?

The NSW Government is currently recruiting and training field officers who will be available to engage with the community throughout the course of the program.

Visit the [Reconnecting River Country Program](https://www.dpie.nsw.gov.au/reconnecting-river-country-program) website to register your details for updates, ask a question and access further information.

Once the negotiating framework and toolkit are finalised, discussions will begin with all affected private and public landholders to confirm available mitigation options and negotiate agreements.

## Acknowledgement

The department and LLS acknowledge we stand on Aboriginal land. We acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of the land and we show our respect for Elders past, present and emerging through thoughtful and collaborative approaches to our work, seeking to demonstrate our ongoing commitment to providing places in which Aboriginal people are included socially, culturally and economically.

## Find out more

**Website** [dpie.nsw.gov.au/reconnecting-river-country-program](https://www.dpie.nsw.gov.au/reconnecting-river-country-program)

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