

Albury to Illabo Community Consultative Committee

Albury sub-committee

Wednesday 7 May 2025



Acknowledgement of Country

Inland Rail acknowledges the Traditional Custodians of the land on which we meet today, and pay our respects to their Elders past and present. We extend that respect to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples here today.





Conflicts of interest

Garry West – Chair CCC



Agenda

- Program update
- Project update
- Planning and Environmental update
 - Operational Noise and Vibration (ONVR)
- Community update
- General Business



Introduction/Presenters

James Kennedy

Delivery Director – A2P

Malcolm Clark

Project Director - A2I/S2P

Rachael Labruyere

Environmental Manager – A2P

Susan Kay

Program Principal Advisor

Kate Hardy

Stakeholder Engagement Lead A2I







Program Update

James Kennedy – Delivery Director A2P



Annual Sustainability Report

Highlights





\$226,144

in community grants to 70 recipients



27,523

offset credits acquired in NSW



86% enhancement of ecological value

verified by the Infrastructure Sustainability Council on the Narrabri to North Star Phase 1 project



1.019

local construction-related jobs created



First Nations workers

on construction projects



sustainability contractor forums



\$78.3m

spent with local businesses. and \$6m spent with First Nations businesses



attended workforce development. events held in regional NSW



Inland Rail-developed Business Sustainability webinars completed*



20,000 tonnes of steel

> diverted from landfill on Narrabri to North Star Phase 1 project



construction and

delivered to 207 participants by the Inland Rail Skills Academy



549 downloads

of sustainability capacity toolkits from the Inland Rail website*



participated in Inland Rail-supported STEM activities, taking the total to 609 schools involved since 2020.



local business

upskilling 121 local businesses



1,500+ students

participated in Inland Rail-supported STEM activities in FY24, taking the total to over 11,500 students since 2020.



Adjacent Projects Update

Illabo to Stockinbingal (I2S)

- Detailed design and consultation
- Site sheds/compounds/laydown establishment
- Ongoing investigations:
 - Biodiversity investigations
 - Geotechnical investigations
 - > Utility investigations
 - ➤ Heritage investigations

Stockinbingal to Parkes (S2P)

- Working towards closing out Daroobalgie Loop, Wyndham Avenue and Lachlan River Bridge
- Ongoing works at Wirrinya (track slew)
- Surveying and design checks
 – power poles





Beveridge to Albury (B2A) Update

- Tranche 1 first 4 sites in Victoria
- March Project completion at Glenrowan
- March Pedestrian underpass opens in Wangaratta
- April Seymour-Avenel Road opens to public
- April first trains stop at new Wangaratta station platform
- Tranche 2 remaining 8 sites in Victoria
- Over the last 6 months community engagement for preliminary design on all 8 sites
- Site establishment and early works commenced across all Tranche 2 sites
- May major construction commencing in Euroa



Birkett St level crossing upgrade works for Euroa detour route.



B2A - Green Street Bridge, Wangaratta







Project Update

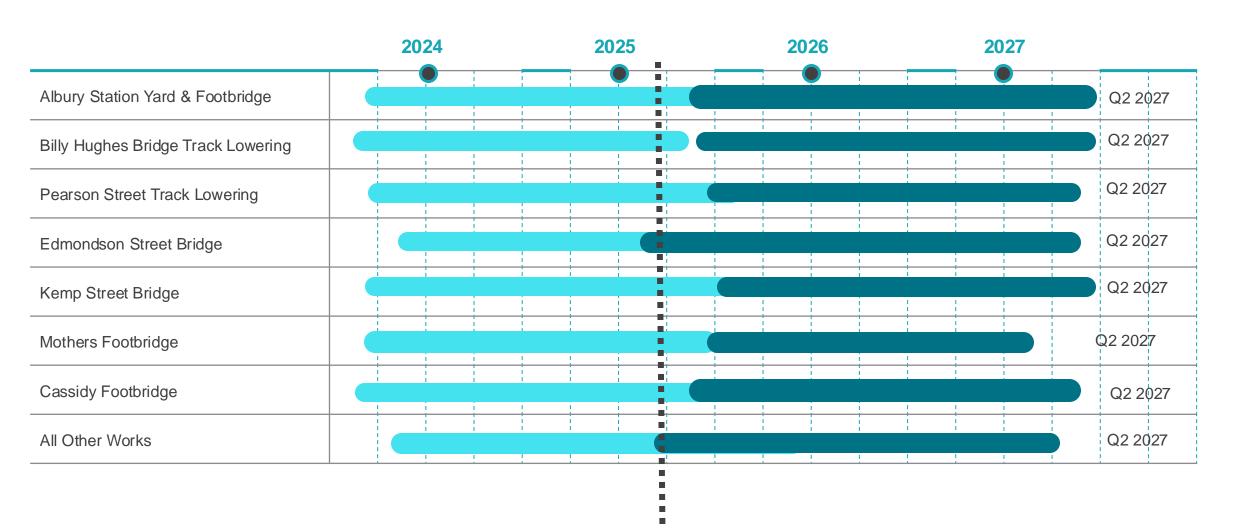
Malcolm Clark – Project Director A2I/S2P



A2I Program

Design development

Early works & Construction







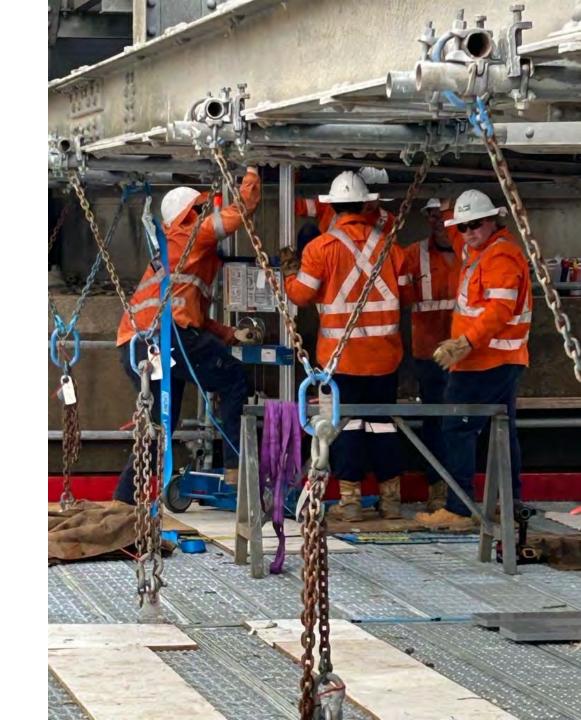
A2I Project Update

- The A2I/S2P Construction Contractor, Martinus, is working through Secondary Environmental Approvals and Detailed Design
- The NSW State Design Review Panel (SDRP) is ongoing, with the 6th SDRP session recently held; Inland Rail are continuing to work with SDRP as the project completes design development
- A2I are moving from Construction Stage A to Stage B
- Enabling works and site compound establishment are continuing around Edmondson St, Kildare College, Bomen, Junee and Illabo.
- Albury site establishment to begin in Q3 2025
- Major construction to commence in Q3 2025



March Possession

- Track possession occurred from 6pm on Friday 21 March, to 6pm on Monday 24 March
- Site establishment and construction works across multiple sites in the Junee to Illabo section of A2I were completed over this period as well as other works in S2P
- Works included:
 - >Track works
 - ➤ Drainage works
 - >Track formation reconstruction



May Possession

Works occurring from **Junee to Illabo** from 6am on Saturday 3 May until 3am on Monday 5 May 2025

Overview of works being completed

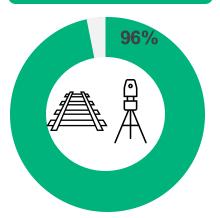
- Delivery of materials and equipment to sites
- Drainage works including culvert extensions
- Track related excavation works
- Track slews and tamping activities



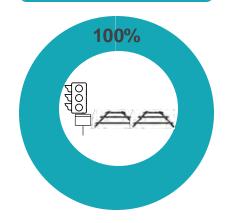
A2I Design Progress

Martinus
Design – ITC
Contract

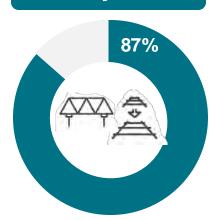




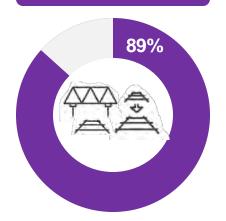
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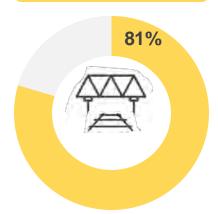
Albury Sites



Wagga Sites



Junee Sites





Lookahead to September 2025

Timing	Activity
Quarter 2, 2025	 Continuation of enabling works Continue Junee to Illabo works in May extended track possession Commence some mobilise to Albury precinct
Quarter 3, 2025	 September possession Planned demolition of Edmondson Street (Wagga) and Kemp Street (Junee) bridges Commence site compound facilities in Albury Commence works in Albury precinct – Albury Station and Billy Hughes Bridge



What we've achieved at S2P!





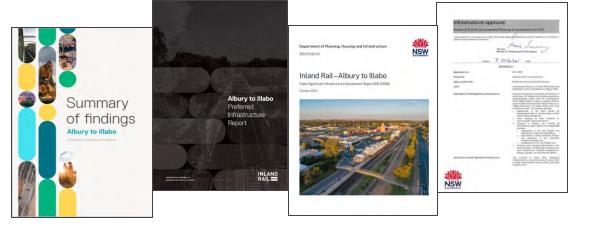


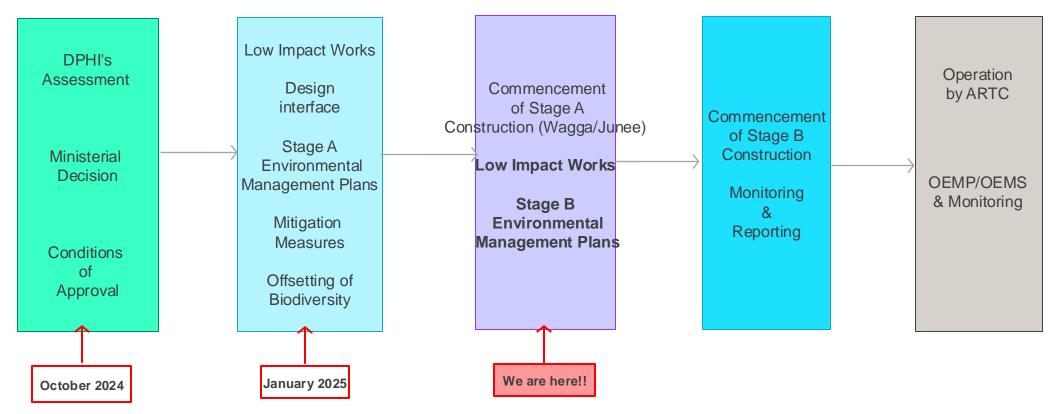
Planning and Environment

Rachael Labruyere - Environment Manager A2P



Approvals and Construction







Heritage and Urban Design

- 1. Corridor wide approach
- 2. Re-use of salvaged materials including:
 - Inclusion in landscape features
 - Interpretive signage
 - Inclusion in functional elements including seating, screens, shade structures and the body of bridges
- 2. Inclusion of Ground Plane Elements
- 3. Landscaping and Plantings
- 4. Temporary Hoardings
- 5. Public Events
 - Consultation









Operational Noise and Vibration

Susan Kay – Program Principal Advisor



Operational Noise and Vibration (ONVR)

- The Preferred Infrastructure Report (PIR) identified the Locomotive Noise Control Program (LNCP) and at-property treatments (1 in Albury and 39 in Culcairn) as potential mitigation options
- The LNCP aims to install exhaust silencers on older, noisier locomotives
- The noise model in the PIR is updated as part of the ONVR
- The ONVR is IRPL's commitment to noise mitigation and incorporates additional noise monitoring, data from PN locomotives and community feedback



Operational Noise and Vibration (ONVR)

- Prior to the LNCP being included in the ONVR, Department of Planning Housing and Infrastructure (DPHI) requires an LNCP Report to demonstrate program effectiveness
- LNCP Report is in draft and expected to be submitted to DPHI mid-May
- ONVR will commence mid-year







Community Update

Kate Hardy - Stakeholder Engagement Lead A2I



Engagement Update

- Continuing our work with Councils and key stakeholders along the A2I alignment through regular engagement
- Monthly monitoring meetings with Councils and our delivery partner, Martinus
- Meet the Contractor event for A2I (Martinus), Wagga April 10
- STEM on Track events Wagga and Albury, April 1-3
- SMART Workshop Tours Albury, Culcairn, March 24-27





STEM on Track Discovery Day Albury





Upcoming Community Engagement Activities

- Quarter 2 Councillor briefings occurring throughout May 2025
- Martinus 'Meet the Contractor' event, Albury
 8 May 2025
- Community drop in information sessions
- Planning for Henty Field Days and local shows
- SMART Workshop Tours Lockhart LGA and Wagga LGAs, Term 2





First Nations Partnerships

First Nations Cultural Appreciation Tours

- Albury 28 February
- Wagga 8 April
- Mentor panel discussion with STARS program in Albury on 1 April





INLAND RAIL

Community Benefits

A2I - S2P

July 2023 to January 2025 586 people

have worked on the Inland Rail project



55
of whom are
First Nations
People

173

local residents

have worked on this project

29

of whom are local and First Nations People



57

women employed

39
tradespeople

employed

61

people employed for 26 weeks or over for a minimum of 15 hours a week



121

local businesses have supplied to the project 5

First Nations businesses Australia-wide



\$12M

total spend with local businesses

\$426K total spend with First Nations bus Australia-wide



General Business

Garry West – Chair CCC





Conclusion and confirmation of actions

Garry West – Chair CCC





Thank you

