

Albury to Illabo

The Albury to Illabo section is within the existing rail corridor and extends 185km between the Victoria/NSW border and Illabo, NSW.

This section uses the current rail line; however, enhancements and modifications to existing bridges, signalling infrastructure, overhead wiring services and level crossings are required in some locations. These changes will create the height and width clearances needed to support the safe running of double-stacked freight trains.

Additionally, there are locations where the existing tracks need to be slewed (moved sideways) to increase clearances, or lowered to provide clearance under existing road bridges.

Our progress

Planning approvals:

In October 2024, Inland Rail received approval from the NSW Minister for Planning to progress the Albury to Illabo section, subject to conditions.

Construction works:

- Major construction on the Albury to Illabo section started in mid-2025.
- Our construction contractor Martinus is making solid progress, and their work across five local government areas (LGAs) is on track for completion in 2027.

Our works

As shown in the map over the page, major construction is happening at 20 sites between Albury and Illabo. Works include:

Albury LGA:

- Replacing the footbridge at Albury Station
- Replacing and raising the height of the top chords on Murray River bridge
- Lowering rail tracks under both the Riverina Highway and Billy Hughes road bridges
- Removal of signal gantry at Table Top.



Greater Hume LGA:

- Removing the Culcairn footbridge
- Yard clearances – slewing the track at Culcairn and Henty rail yards.

Project stages

Concept assessment

Reference design

Environmental approvals

Property acquisition, design refinement & early works

Detailed design, early works & construction

Commissioning & operations

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Stages 3-5 may occur in parallel

Lockhart LGA:

- Modifying the signal gantry at The Rock
- Yard clearances – slewing the track at Yerong Creek rail yard.

Wagga Wagga LGA:

- Replacing Edmondson Street bridge
- Replacing the Cassidy and Wagga Station (Mothers Bridge) footbridges
- Lowering the tracks under Pearson Street road bridge
- Yard clearances – slewing the track at Uranquinty, Wagga Wagga and Bomen rail yards.



Junee LGA:

- Replacing Kemp Street bridge
- Removing the Junee Station footbridge
- Olympic Highway underbridge track alterations.
- Yard clearances – slewing the track at Harefield and between Junee and Illabo.



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Major enhancement sites

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| 1 Murray River Bridge, Albury | 7 Cassidy Footbridge, Wagga Wagga |
| 2 Albury Station Footbridge, Albury | 8 Edmondson Street Bridge, Wagga Wagga |
| 3 Riverina Highway Bridge, Albury | 9 Wagga Station Footbridge, Wagga Wagga |
| 4 Billy Hughes Bridge, Ettamogah | 10 Kemp Street Bridge, Junee |
| 5 Culcairn Footbridge, Culcairn | 11 Junee Station Footbridge, Junee |
| 6 Pearson Street Bridge, Wagga Wagga | 12 Olympic Highway Underbridge, Junee |

About Inland Rail

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We remain committed to working with the community to ensure the best outcome for the region and encourage you to get in touch with us, with questions big or small. Call on **1800 732 761**.



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