



ON EXHIBITION

At Council's April ordinary meeting it endorsed the draft Southern Riverina Drought Resilience Plan and draft Legislative Compliance Policy for public exhibition for a period of 28 days.

The draft Southern Riverina Drought Resilience Plan has been developed through the collaboration of Berrigan Shire, Edward River, Murray River and Federation Councils' communities. Feedback closes 5pm, **Wednesday 29 May 2024**.

The draft Legislative Compliance Policy sets out Federation Council's position for complying with obligations under state and federal law. Feedback closes 5pm, **Wednesday 5 June 2024**.

Council is inviting the public to review the draft plan and policy and provide feedback. Both documents are available for viewing from Council's website or at any Council office. Anyone interested in providing feedback should do so in writing, addressed to the General Manager, PO Box 77, Corowa NSW 2646 or email to council@federationcouncil.nsw.gov.au

CHANGED TRAFFIC CONDITIONS ON MULWALA BRIDGE

Motorists are advised of changed traffic conditions this Wednesday on Mulwala Bridge over Lake Mulwala for maintenance work to be carried out.

Single lane closures will be in place to carry out bridge inspections and routine maintenance work to ensure the bridge's continued safe operation. To limit the impacts to road users, work will be carried out at night between 7pm and 6am on **Wednesday 22 May**, weather permitting.

A reduced speed limit of 30 km/h will be in place across the bridge for the safety of workers and motorists.

Meanwhile, maintenance work to strengthen the bridge's support structures is continuing with work expected to be completed by mid-July, weather permitting.

Motorists are advised to drive to the conditions and follow the directions of signs and traffic control.

Transport for NSW thanks the community for their patience during this time. For the latest traffic updates download the Live Traffic NSW App, visit livetraffic.com or call **132 701**.

ENGAGE WITH US THIS MAY: FUTURE FEDERATION 2024-2025

Federation Council is pleased to advise that our draft Delivery Program, Operational Plan, Budget 2024-2025, updated Long Term Financial Plan and Revenue Policy are available for review from Council's website following their endorsement at the April Council Meeting.

These documents provide a guide to Council's operations and help the organisation meet community demands for services and infrastructure by maximising what it can achieve with its available resources, whilst planning for a sustainable future. Council's key strategic documents are on public exhibition until 5pm, **Tuesday 4 June 2024**.

Residents are encouraged to review our draft strategic plans and are invited to provide feedback via our;

- Online form available from Council's website
- Email to council@federationcouncil.nsw.gov.au
- Complete a feedback form in any one of our offices
- Send in feedback to PO Box 77, Corowa, NSW, 2646
- Phone: (02) 6033 8999.

Council is committed to engaging with the community on the draft suite of documents, and will be hosting a number of engagement opportunities at the following locations and times during the month of May:

Drop-In-Sessions

- **Monday 27 May:** Corowa Civic Centre, 10am - 1pm.
- **Tuesday 28 May:** Howlong Library, 10am - 1pm.
- **Wednesday 29 May:** Mulwala Library, 10am - 1pm.
- **Thursday 30 May:** Urana Council Chamber, 10am - 1pm.

Council will also be hosting a series of round table stakeholder meetings with community groups during the month of May to capture further feedback. Find out more on Council's website.

NOTICE OF PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS

In accordance with Council's Public Notification Policy regarding Development Applications, the following are hereby listed for public comment. Plans relating to these proposals are available for review from Council's website www.federationcouncil.nsw.gov.au

DA NO.	Address	Zoning	Proposed Work
2024/53	42 Jude Street Howlong	R1 General Residential	Shed 84sqm

Following the recent announcement by Australia Post that mail deliveries to households will be reduced from a daily service, Council has extended the timeframe for responses to Development Application Notifications from 14 days to 21 days. The extension of time will ensure that the community is provided with adequate time to respond to proposed developments and will assist Council in receiving and addressing the views of the community when assessing proposed developments.

Persons making a submission are required to comply with Section 147(5) of the Environmental Planning Assessment Act (Political Donations & Gifts Disclosure Statement). Forms are available from Council's administrative offices.

DEVELOPMENT CONSENTS

Public notice is given pursuant to Section 101 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, 1979, that the Council has granted development consent in respect of the following developments. The consents are available for public inspection by contacting Council during business hours.

DA NO.	Address	Approved Work
2024/28	51-53 Defence Drive Mulwala	Industrial Shed
2024/39	75-87 Binda Road Mulwala	Swimming Pool
2023/160	256 River Street South Corowa	Verandah Replacement
2023/169	62 McCarthy Street Mulwala	7 Bay Storage Storage Units

Federation Council advises that there are significant delays to all applications being lodged for each stage of the development process. Staff shortages, in conjunction with the increasing complexity of the NSW Planning Portal Processes required to be undertaken by Council has seen pre-lodgement assessment times increasing to 6-8 weeks and average determination times taking between 10-12 weeks. We ask you for your cooperation as Council officers concentrate on clearing the backlog of applications while maintaining all other legislated services.

POSITIONS VACANT

Federation Council is committed to being a quality Council with a strong focus on the delivery of services that continually meet community expectations. If you are committed to excellent customer service, being a competent team player and have a focus on results orientation that drives strategic thinking and fosters a culture of innovation, learning and continuous improvement, then one of these opportunities is for you:

- **Aqua Fitness Instructor**
- **Human Resources Officer**

A more detailed advertisement and position description can be obtained from Council's website.

Emailing jobs@federationcouncil.nsw.gov.au or by phone on **(02) 6033 8903**.

MAY COUNCIL MEETING

Federation Council's May 2024 Ordinary Council Meeting is scheduled:

- **Tuesday 28 May 2024**
- 9:30am
- Urana Council office.

Residents and ratepayers are cordially invited to attend Council meetings or watch the meeting via live stream, which allows observing Council business via a computer or mobile device.

The live stream is available for access from the Federation Council website, along with the previous minutes and the agenda for the meeting.

NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK

To celebrate National Volunteer Week, Federation Council offered twenty grants of \$250 to not-for-profits, 355 committees, clubs and local community groups, organisations or schools with a volunteer branch or committee, to assist with commemorating and appreciating their volunteers' contributions. The Micro Grants are funding a range of gratitude celebrations that are projected to benefit over 300 volunteers, with events such as afternoon teas, award presentations, outings, luncheons, barbecues, and training and development. The Micro Grants are supporting groups from varied sectors right across the Federation region. These celebratory events may be a great opportunity to get in touch and meet up with your local community volunteer groups to understand the work they do. National Volunteer Week is the perfect occasion to take the first steps towards volunteering and making a positive impact within your community.

Federation Council congratulates the 2024 Volunteer Week Micro Grants recipients:

- Amaranth Foundation
- Balldale Recreation Reserve
- Corowa CWA
- Corowa District Historical Society Inc
- Corowa District Landcare
- Corowa Federation Little Athletics
- Corowa Rescue Squad - VRA Rescue NSW
- Gallery 294 Corowa Arts Co-operative Ltd
- Howlong Historical Society
- Howlong Men's Shed
- Howlong Playgroup
- Mulwala Library History Group
- Oaklands and District Lions Club
- Oaklands CWA
- Rand Bowls & Community Club
- Sing Australia Corowa
- St Mary's Catholic Primary School
- Tunzafun Community Volunteer Group
- Urana Progress Association
- Urana Vintage Machinery Club Inc

Council would like to acknowledge and thank the hardworking volunteers of the Federation region who serve our community. Council is fortunate to be directly supported by 19 Section 355 Committees as well as 10 Advisory Committees, the Youth Council and individual volunteers across departments such as libraries, cemeteries, art galleries and tourism.

SERVICE NSW COROWA AGENCY - JULY ALTERED OPERATING HOURS

The Service NSW Corowa Agency will operate with altered opening hours during the month of July 2024.

The agency will be closed on Wednesday's during July as follows;

- **Wednesday 3 July**
- **Wednesday 10 July**
- **Wednesday 17 July**
- **Wednesday 24 July**
- **Wednesday 31 July**

Council apologises for any inconvenience caused and thanks you for your continued support and understanding.

Visit the Service NSW website www.service.nsw.gov.au anytime for assistance.

FEDERATION COUNCIL

Corowa General Office

Civic Centre, 100 Edward Street, Ball Park
Monday to Friday 8.30am - 5.00pm

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