

**AMENDED REGIONAL INTERESTS DEVELOPMENT
APPROVAL (RIDA) -
RPI24/030 Longreach Regional Council - Thomson River Weir Project
(Given under section 56 of the *Regional Planning Interests Act 2014*)**

Date: 14 April 2026

Description of the land

Real property description: Lot 101 SP340142 (formerly Lot 2 SP123565) and Lot 4 SP232181

Local Government Area: Longreach Regional Council

Approved regulated activity

The approved regulated activity is set out in Table 1 below.

Definitions of the approved regulated activity is provided in Table 2 below.

This development approval authorises impacts on the Channel Country Strategic Environmental Area (designated precinct) by the approved regulated activity.

Table 1: Approved regulated activity – water storage (dam)

Area of regional interest	Location	Components of Regulated activity – water storage (dam)	Area of disturbance (hectares)
Channel Country Strategic Environmental Area (designated precinct)	Lot 101 SP340142 (formerly Lot 2 SP123565) and Lot 4 SP232181	Clearing of native vegetation adjacent to the weirs for construction purposes, including temporary coffer dams	1.81
		Temporary laydown/storage areas in previously disturbed areas devoid of 'structural' vegetation	2.12
		Vehicular access via existing roads and tracks	0.00
Total disturbance area			3.93

Table 2: Definitions of approved regulated activities

Regulated activity	Definition
Water storage (dam)	<p>Raising the five (5) existing weirs by approximately one (1) metre in height, increasing the capacity of the primary Longreach Waterhole from approximately 3,300ML to approximately 4,200ML. The activity also includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> clearing of native vegetation adjacent to the weirs for construction purposes including temporary coffer dams temporary laydown/storage areas in previously disturbed areas devoid of 'structural' vegetation vehicular access via existing roads and tracks.

Regional interests conditions

A person who is the holder of, or is acting under, this RIDA must not contravene a condition of this approval.

Condition number	Condition	Timing for condition
Development footprint, full supply level and drawings		
1.	<p>The area of disturbance is limited to a total footprint of 3.93 Ha, including up to 1.81 Ha of construction disturbance footprint, and up to 2.12 Ha of temporary laydown areas, as shown in <i>Figure 1-1 Proposed layout</i> prepared by Engeny Australia Pty, dated 09/12/2025.</p> <p><i>NOTE: The total footprint excludes existing access tracks which may be utilised.</i></p>	At all times
2.	<p>No clearing of vegetation is permitted outside of the 1.81 Ha construction disturbance footprint as shown in <i>Figure 1-1 Proposed layout</i> prepared by Engeny Australia Pty, dated 09/12/2025.</p> <p><i>NOTE: "Clearing of vegetation" means to remove, cut down, ringbark, push over, poison or destroy vegetation in any way including by burning, or lopping a tree. Clearing of vegetation excludes removal or treatment of environmental weeds.</i></p>	At all times
3.	<p>The extent of the development must be carried out generally in accordance with the following drawings prepared by Engeny Australia, dated 24/08/2024:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) QC2031-001-DWG-0301 (revision A); and (b) QC2031-001-DWG-0302 (revision A); and (c) QC2031-001-DWG-0303 (revision A); and (d) QC2031-001-DWG-0304 (revision A); and (e) QC2031-001-DWG-0305 (revision A). 	For the duration of the works
4.	<p>Submit "As Constructed drawings" to: palm@detsi.qld.gov.au or mail to: Department of the Environment, Tourism, Science, and Innovation</p>	Within 20 business days of the completion of the

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	Permit and Licence Management, Implementation and Support Unit GPO Box 2454, Brisbane Qld 4001.	works
5.	The full supply level of the weirs must not exceed 179.6m AHD.	At all times
6.	The works are to be designed and constructed so as to dissipate energy and provide adequate protection of the surrounding bed and banks against scouring and erosion.	At all times
Construction management measures		
7.	Erosion and sediment control measures must be installed and maintained to prevent and minimise the release of sediment to the Thomson River during all construction activities in accordance with the Best Practice Erosion and Sediment Control (BPESC) guidelines for Australia (International Erosion Control Association).	For the duration of the works
8.	A Stormwater and Drainage Management Plan must be prepared prior to construction works and implemented during construction. The Stormwater and Drainage Management Plan must include mitigation measures to prevent or minimise the release of contaminants to waters in accordance with <i>Procedural Guideline: Releases to waters from land development sites and construction sites 2500m² and greater</i> , and with the applicable stormwater management design objectives in Table A (Appendix 2) of the State Planning Policy 2017.	Prior to and at all times during construction works
9.	Prior to arrival on site, all vehicles and machinery are to be cleaned down in accordance with the Department of Agriculture and Fisheries (now the Department of Primary Industries) <i>Queensland Vehicle and machinery checklists Clean-down procedures 2014</i> .	At all times during construction works
10.	A Vegetation and Fauna Management Plan must be prepared and implemented. The Vegetation and Fauna Management Plan must: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Include procedures that ensure no trees or vegetation located outside of the 1.81 Ha construction disturbance footprint are damaged or removed during construction; and (b) Include procedures for pre-clearing surveys for the identification of fauna species that may be impacted and fauna breeding sites; and (c) Include procedures that specify the required actions in the event that fauna breeding sites are identified, or fauna is adversely impacted or injured by clearing or construction activities; and (d) Identify appropriate mitigation measures to 	At all times during construction works

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	<p>reduce the likelihood of impacts to fauna species, including but not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i a requirement that site activities must be carried out only during daylight hours; and ii a requirement that an appropriately trained fauna spotter/catcher be present during all vegetation clearing, habitat removal, excavation works, and other construction activities identified to potentially impact fauna; and iii a site speed limit that applies to all vehicle movement; and iv a requirement that vehicles and machinery must not traverse outside of established access tracks, the construction disturbance footprint, or temporary laydown areas; and <p>(e) Identifies threats to environmental values through direct and indirect disturbance, ecological degradation processes, erosion or contamination from stormwater run-off, and environmental weeds; and</p> <p>(f) Outlines mitigation measures and management actions required for the protection of Matters of State Environmental Significance (MSES) regulated vegetation and habitat from direct and indirect impacts from the development; and</p> <p>(g) Identifies proposed biosecurity control measures and post-construction management actions required to prevent the spread of invasive plant species within the development area.</p> <p>(h) A requirement for all personnel onsite to undergo site inductions in which personnel are made of aware their obligations and responsibilities under the Vegetation and Fauna Management Plan.</p>	
Post-construction		
11.	<p>A Post-construction Monitoring Program must be prepared and implemented for the purpose of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) monitoring for scour or erosion in the areas immediately adjacent to and downstream of the weirs following overtopping events; and (b) monitoring for loss and recruitment/reestablishment of riparian vegetation on the banks of the Town Storage; and (c) monitoring the spread of invasive plant species and changes to the composition of native ecosystems on the banks of the Town Storage; and (d) monitoring for impacts to fish species richness, abundance, and distribution over time in relation 	<p>Upon completion of the works and continuing thereafter for a period of at least 10 years</p>

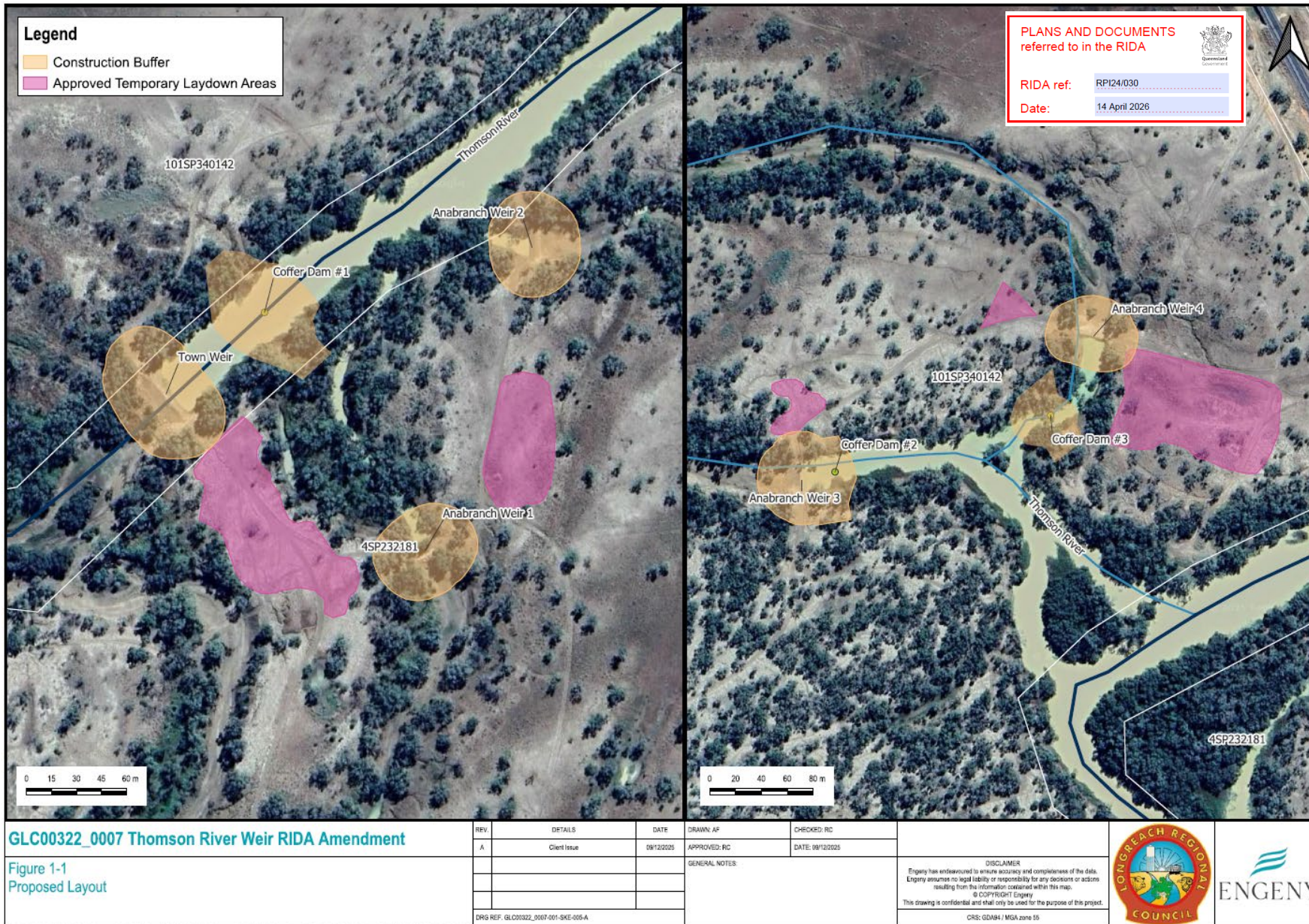
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	to the Town Weir and/or associated anabranch weirs.	
12.	<p>The Post-construction Monitoring Program must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) be prepared and implemented by appropriately qualified and experienced person(s); and (b) involve the preparation of inspection and monitoring reports by 30 November each year, for the preceding financial year, and submission to the Department of the Environment, Tourism, Science, and Innovation where requested; and (c) include an alert and action component, which will enable corrective measures to be taken if: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i excessive erosion, scouring, and/or bank destabilisation is observed; or ii excessive loss of riparian vegetation and/or lack of natural recruitment and reestablishment is observed; or iii elevated presence of invasive plant species and/or evidence of environmental weeds out-competing and displacing native species; or iv any evidence of reduced fish species migration or distribution is detected. 	Upon completion of the works and continuing thereafter for a period of at least 10 years
Record keeping		
13.	<p>Records, including any written procedures, plans, inspection and monitoring results, complaints and corrective measures, and annual reporting required under a condition of this approval must be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) kept for a period of at least 15 years; and (b) provided to the Department of the Environment, Tourism, Science and Innovation upon request and in the format requested. 	As noted in the condition
Complaints and access to copy of approval		
14.	<p>(a) All complaints received, and resulting actions taken, about the impact of the approved resource activities on the environmental attributes in the Channel Country Strategic Environmental Area must be recorded. The record must include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i name, address and contact number of the complainant ii time and date of complaint iii reasons for the complaint iv investigations undertaken v conclusions formed vi actions taken to resolve the complaint vii any abatement measures implemented viii person responsible for resolving the 	(a) At all times

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	<p>complaint.</p> <p>(b) Provide records of any complaints received and recorded in accordance with this condition to the chief executive at RPIAct@dsdilgp.qld.gov.au</p> <p><i>Note: The record of complaint provided to the chief executive must state the application reference number, being RPI24/030.</i></p>	(b) Within 60 business days of receipt of a complaint
15.	A full copy of the regional interests development approval must be kept on-site and available to any person(s) contracted to undertake the approved regulated activity.	At all times

General Advice

It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure all relevant approvals and licenses are obtained from the applicable Local, State, and/or Federal Authorities prior to works commencing on site.

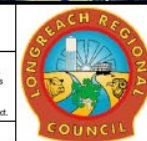
In particular, the approval does not negate the requirement to obtain approvals required under other legislation prior to construction, including an entitlement to impound the resource in which these works are associated with. Authorisation under the *Water Act 2000* is required for the increase in water storage.

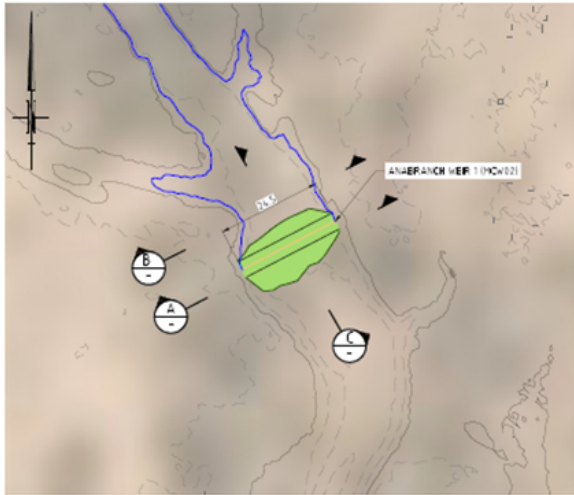


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Figure 1-1
Proposed Layout

REV	DETAILS	DATE	DRAWN: AF	CHECKED: RC
A	Client Issue	09/12/2025	APPROVED: RC	DATE: 09/12/2025
GENERAL NOTES:				
DISCLAIMER Engeny has endeavoured to ensure accuracy and completeness of the data. Engeny assumes no legal liability or responsibility for any decisions or actions resulting from the information contained within this map. © COPYRIGHT Engeny This drawing is confidential and shall only be used for the purpose of this project.				
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CRS: GD494 MGA zone 56				



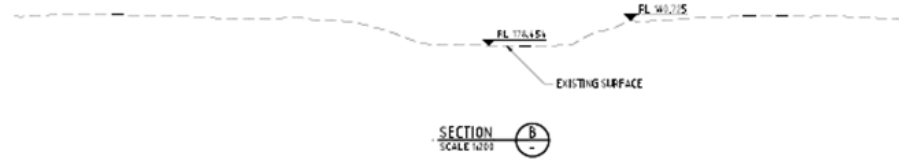
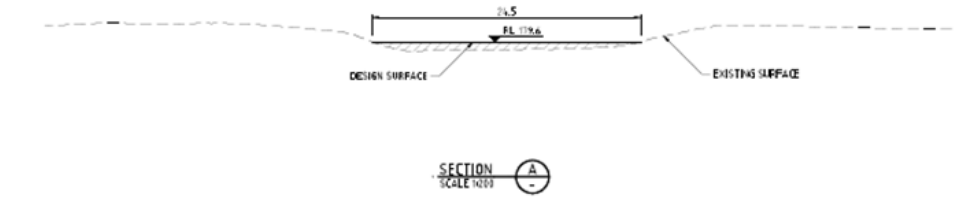


ANABRANCH WEIR 1 (MCW02)
SCALE 1:500

PLANS AND DOCUMENTS referred to in the RIDA

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ORIGINAL CREEK BED AND SILT LEVEL UNKNOWN, ASSUMED LEVEL DRAWN FLAT AT DOWNSTREAM BED LEVEL.

WATER LEVEL AT TIME OF SURVEY

HORIZ. DETAILS	L=33.896						
EXISTING SURFACE	176.215	176.518	176.633	176.911	176.671	177.965	177.678
CHAINAGES	0+000	5+000	10+000	15+000	20+000	25+000	30+000

CONTROL LINE MCW02 SECTION C (WEIR)
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LEGEND

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- DESIGN SURFACE





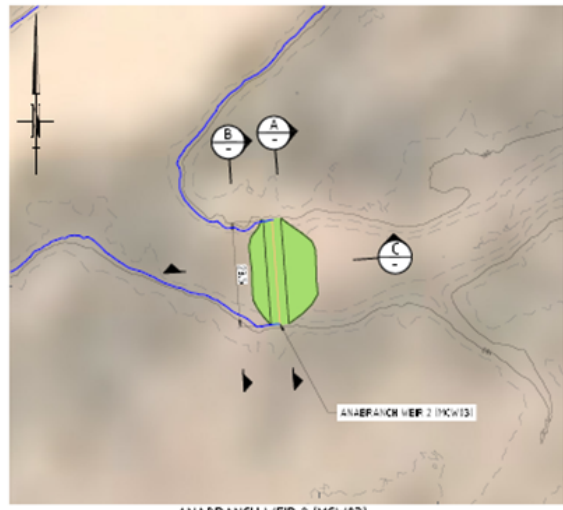
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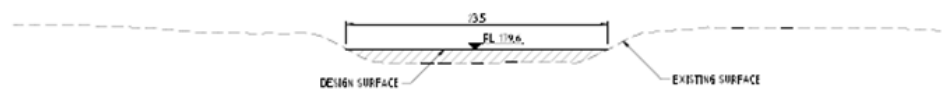
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ANABRANCH WEIR 2 (MCW03)
SCALE 1:500



SECTION A
SCALE 1:200



SECTION B
SCALE 1:200



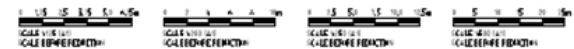
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HORIZ. DETAILS	L=32.200							
EXISTING SURFACE	176.601	176.616	176.637	176.657	177.095	177.385	177.300	177.284
CHAINAGES	0.000	5.000	10.000	15.000	20.000	25.000	30.000	32.200

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