

Interruption to water supply in sections of the Nogoia Mackenzie Water Supply Scheme

Nogoia River

16 December 2025

Sunwater will be conducting low level pumping preparation works on the right bank outlet of Fairbairn Dam. While this work is underway, water will be unavailable from in the Nogoia and Mackenzie Rivers from the Fairbairn Dam Outlet Works through to upstream limit of the Bedford Weir ponded area. .

Planned shutdowns are included as a target in each of Sunwater's scheme rules and targets (found under Scheme Management on each scheme page). Sunwater recognises that the following are important service issues for you as a customer:

- that you will be notified about a shutdown so you can plan ahead
- the timing of the shutdown should suit most customers
- the duration of the shutdown should minimise the impact on customers while enabling Sunwater to perform maintenance on the scheme.

Sunwater customers and the general public who are supplied with or use water from the following areas should take note of when the water will be unavailable.

- Outage to conduct low level pumping preparation works on the right bank outlet of Fairbairn Dam impacting the Nogoia River
- 6:00am 12 January 2026 until 6:00am 19 January 2026

Customers may take water during this period if it is available at their offtake but should note that normal supply conditions cannot be guaranteed. Stock and domestic licensees requiring water during this period are advised to fill storages prior to the shutdown period. Owners are required to advise their lessees of the shutdown details.

Please note, these dates may alter due to current and forecasted weather conditions and/or customer demand.

If you are unsure whether this will affect you, please contact the Sunwater Customer Support team on 13 15 89 for clarification. If you are a Sunwater customer, please have all your offtakes number/s available.