



## COUNCIL URGES CAUTION AS PRIORITY ROADWORK CONTINUES

Dubbo Regional Council Manager of Works Services Ian Bailey said that the flood damaged Cobbora Road from Wellington to Elong will remain closed to all but local traffic only for several weeks and is urging local motorists to exercise caution if they need to use the road.

“Work is progressing well, and Council is committed to resourcing the issue as a priority, with two crews working on different sections,” Mr Bailey said.

“However the reality is, it is a huge section of the road, with between one half and two thirds of the road needing significant work,” he said.

“Council asks local traffic motorists to exercise extreme caution when using the road if they choose to use the road, not only due to the poor condition of the road, but it is also a construction site and delays can be expected,” he said.

“If you cannot use an alternative route, please allow extra time for your journey and drive to the conditions.

“Council is aware that this is a huge inconvenience and would ask for your patience while the priority repair work is undertaken.

“Council has received a large number of enquiries about the road conditions and closure, and while staff have tried to respond to all of them, I would like to apologise if anyone has not received a response.

“Please be assured that the roadwork is continuing and Council will endeavour to keep the public updated on progress.”

Cobbora Road (MR353) will be closed from Wellington to the Golden Highway east of Elong, until further notice.

Local traffic will still have access, however heavy vehicles and all non-local traffic are asked to find an alternative route.

“One alternative route is via Geurie, then Dubbo, and the Golden Highway past Ballimore,” Mr Bailey said.

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