

## RESTRICTED ACCESS TO KOONDROOK / PERRICOOTA STATE FORESTS

During the construction phase of this significant environmental project, areas of the Koondrook and Perricoota State Forests will have restricted public access. These restrictions are in place for the safety of the public and the construction contractor. The construction period will be from September 2010 to June 2011.

**Public Access to the Central Zone (Bells Landing to Koondrook Forest):** Forest access via Lower Thule/Belbins Rd and Yarraman / McHugh Lane will remain unrestricted through the construction period. Some internal road closures will apply.

**Barham area (Downstream Zone):** Public access to the Koondrook Forest around Barham will only be permitted one weekend each month and over the Christmas and Easter breaks. These dates will be advertised in local media and at forest entrances. These conditions will apply until the completion of the project.

**Torrumbarry area (Upstream Zone):** Public access to the Perricoota Forest at Torrumbarry will not be permitted except for the Christmas and Easter breaks. These conditions will apply until the completion of the Torrumbarry Cutting and River Road bridge. Upon completion of these works, public access to River Road and the area upstream of the Torrumbarry Cutting will be permitted. These dates will be advertised in local media and at forest entrances. Access to the areas around Torrumbarry Weir and Swan Lagoon will remain restricted until the completion of the project.

**Forest access for commercial timber harvesting** will be permitted through some construction zones. This will be managed by Forests NSW and the principle contractor through the Traffic Management Plan.

**Fire Access:** In the event of a fire in the forest, the Rural Fire Service and Forests NSW will have unrestricted access to all areas of the forest and will assume control of the fire ground.

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