



# HUON VALLEY COUNCIL

## MEDIA RELEASE

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### Huonville Stormwater Plans released

Plans for the upgrade of the Huonville Stormwater Project have been finalised and are on display at the Council Customer Service Centre.

Huon Valley Council Mayor Bec Enders says “The Huonville Stormwater project is one of the largest Capital Works Projects Huon Valley Council will have undertaken in a number of years.

The Council's success in obtaining Grant funding from the Federal Governments *Building Better Regions Fund Infrastructure Projects Stream* along with the additional funds required allocated by Council will finance this project.”

The project will see the upgrade of the existing Stormwater Drainage system servicing Huonville, where it has been recognised that the existing drain is under capacity during high rain events and when designed for future climate change, the potential flooding impacts will increase.

Studies have been undertaken in the past decade recommending various solutions in relation to the Huonville Main Drain. In 2016, Council's Infrastructure Services Team commenced catchment and stormwater system designing to confirm the results of past studies and to decide the most appropriate and effective solution to increase the capacity of the Main Drain.

The Team has confirmed that the preferred solution to increase capacity of the Huonville Main Drain involves diverting flows away from the current alignment of Main Drain and into an nearby catchment - with the size to handle the additional flows with no increased impact on flooding downstream.

This project involves three parts in order to deliver the improvements:-

Section A: Installation of 1,000 metres of 1600mm pipe through the subdivision.

Section B: Clearing and widening Skinners Creek upstream of Sale Street

Section C: Replace existing Skinners Creek below Sale Street with gabion baskets for approximately 400metres

“The delivery of this project will not lessen flooding from the Huon River, it is to increase the capacity of the current stormwater network and reduce the instances of overland flooding”, Mayor Enders said.

“The Council is committed to ensuring the community is kept informed of the project with community engagement to occur during different stages of the project with the community. If you wish to receive updates on this project please register your interest online or via Council's Customer Service Centre, “ Mayor Enders said.

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