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## Ongoing improvements for the Coonabarabran Water Treatment Plant

To ensure ongoing high-quality water supply at Coonabarabran, works have commenced to replace the filters at the Coonabarabran Water Treatment Plant.

“These replacement works are set to sustain and secure high-quality water production for the township of Coonabarabran,” said Warrumbungle Shire Council Mayor, Councillor Ambrose Doolan. “While the existing filter media materials are still producing high quality water the materials are nearing their end of life phase, prompting these replacement works.”

The replacement of the media materials in the filter will give the Coonabarabran Water Treatment Plant a greater capacity to handle the kind of raw water seen during high rainfall events which may affect the quality of the water sourced from the dam and weirs.

“These replacement works are the last phase in the recommended works outlined after a filter inspection Shire wide by a specialist consultant engaged by NSW health,” said Cr Doolan.

A comprehensive filter control upgrade was undertaken last financial year, including the installation of new online turbidity meters, one for each filter, new filter outlet valves and new filter valve controls, ensuring improved and consistent water quality.

“This project is one of many that Warrumbungle Water is undertaking in its ongoing commitment to improving water supplies across the Shire as part of Council’s Drinking Water Management System Improvement Plan,” Cr Doolan concluded.

Council has engaged a specialist consultant to provide the filter media specifications and assess the quality of its source.

Works are expected to be completed before September 2021 and during these works supply interruption is not expected.

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