

Stakeholder update

January 2024



The 32 km priority section, looking south toward Broken Hill, during the surveying and Aboriginal cultural heritage mitigation works prior to construction works commencing.

The NSW Government is working with stakeholders and landholders to deliver a 32 km extension to the NSW Border Wild Dog Fence (commonly known as the dog fence) on the NSW and South Australian border. The 32 km priority section will close the gap between the NSW and South Australian dog fences.

Project update

Construction works have commenced on the 32 km priority section, starting at the Northern end.

Due to severe storms and high rainfall events in early to mid-January, local roads were closed and the project site was inaccessible.

Once local roads re-opened and the site became accessible, work got back underway toward the end of January.

The current priorities include:



delivery of heavy machinery to site



delivery of more fencing materials to site



erecting gates, fence posts, wire and netting



surveillance activities with local Aboriginal stakeholders.



A contractor undertaking works to search for, and potentially, relocate Aboriginal artefacts as part of the Aboriginal cultural heritage mitigation works prior to construction works commencing.

Other project priorities

While the focus remains on the 32 km priority section, investigations are continuing into the proposed extension to the NSW dog fence on the Queensland border, and the remainder of the South Australian alignment.

The project will continue to investigate opportunities while engaging with relevant stakeholders.

Find out more

Further information about the project is available on the project's webpage — www.lls.nsw.gov.au/wdf.

Delivery of the project is being managed by the Department of Regional NSW and involves agencies including Local Land Services, Soil Conservation Service, NSW Public Works and the NSW Border Fence Maintenance Board.