

Gladstone Area Water Board (GAWB) improving pedestrian safety at Lake Awoonga Recreation Areas

Temporary closure of Riverston Bay Recreation Area

Gladstone Area Water Board (GAWB) wishes to advise that Lake Awoonga's Riverston Bay Recreational Area will be periodically closed to the public over the next two weeks, while essential maintenance works are completed.

GAWB Chief Executive Officer Darren Barlow said a new section of footpath would be constructed between the Lake Awoonga Caravan Park and Riverston Bay Recreation Area.

"Nothing is more important to us than the health and wellbeing of our visitors. We're committed to providing safe and accessible recreational facilities to our local community," Mr Barlow said.

GAWB will improve pedestrian access between the Caravan Park and Riverston Bay by replacing part of the wall at the Riverston Bay entrance with a new footpath. At present, pedestrians are forced to walk around the wall and into oncoming traffic.

"The new footpath aims to improve pedestrian safety between the two areas," Mr Barlow.

"All other Lake Awoonga recreational areas will remain open during this time, including the main boat ramp and Ironbark Gully.

"The patience and cooperation of our local community is greatly appreciated during this time.'

Visitors to Lake Awoonga are encouraged to avoid the Riverston Bay Recreation Area and be aware of increased heavy vehicle movements while construction is underway.

The road closure will be in place at Awoonga Dam Road, adjacent to the Caravan Park, to ensure sufficient turning is provided to vehicles and caravans.

Access to Riverston Bay will be closed on the following dates:

- Friday 12 June: 7:30am to 5:30pm
- 14 - 18 June: 7:30am to 5:30pm
- 21 - 25 June: 7:30am to 5:30pm

For more information, please phone GAWB on 4976 3000.

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