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## **MEDIA RELEASE**

## **ROAD CONDITIONS REPORT - CASTLEREAGH HIGHWAY OPEN**

Coonamble Shire Council advises the travelling public that the Castlereagh Highway north and south of Coonamble is open to traffic, with drivers asked to exercise caution and to be alert for water across the road, rough patches and developing potholes, especially along causeways.

Floodwaters are still rising in the north of the Local Government Area. Drivers should be aware of the possibility that the Castlereagh Highway may need to be closed later in the day. Northbound traffic should also check with Walgett Shire Council regarding road closures in that area where more extensive flooding has occurred.

Quambone Road remains closed at the Euronne Gully causeway, where a water height of 1.2 metres was recorded at 8am this morning.

Baradine Road—within the Coonamble Local Government Area—remains open, with water across some causeways. The Coonamble-Baradine Road is closed at the causeways on either side of Baradine. Drivers should confirm updates with Warrumbungle Shire Council before travel.

Pilliga Road is closed towards Pilliga, due to flooding. Check the Walgett Shire Council website for updates on this road. An inspection team is still confirming conditions along Pilliga Road within the Coonamble Local Government Area.

All unsealed roads within the Local Government Area remain closed to all traffic.

Coonamble Waste Management Facility remains closed because of the boggy conditions within the tip site. Urgent inquiries can be made to Robbo's Construction and Earthworks.

Council staff are monitoring conditions, and an updated road bulletin will be issued as conditions change.

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GENERAL MANAGER