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JOHN FOORD BRIDGE TO CLOSE FOR DECK REPLACEMENT WORK

Member for Albury, Greg Aplin advised today that Roads and Maritime Services (RMS) has rescheduled upgrade work on the John Foord Bridge at Corowa.

Mr Aplin said the NSW Government has provided $400,000 to replace the bridge deck to extend the life of the bridge.

“Preliminary work has started to install scaffolding and major work will close the bridge to all traffic for six weeks from Monday 19 August,” Mr Aplin said.

“The historic iron lattice truss bridge over the Murray River will be closed from Monday 19 August until Friday 27 September.

“RMS consulted the community about the best timing for work to minimise disruptions and has considered all feedback received.

“During work, all traffic will be detoured via the nearby Federation Bridge.

“Signs will provide motorists with advance warning of the closure and the detours in place as well as advising of small businesses at the southern end of the bridge which are still open for business.

“Pedestrian access across the bridge will not be affected during work. RMS urges pedestrians to be cautious and to look out for work equipment on site,” Mr Aplin said.

Wet weather may change dates and times.

Motorists are advised to plan their journey, allow extra travel time, and obey all signs.

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