

Fish Creek Lochinvar Lane grade control fishway

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- Lochinvar Lane grade control fishway project is located on Fish Creek – a tributary of Enoggera Creek in Brisbane
- Fish Creek is a valued waterway in Brisbane’s western suburbs and has up to 6 native freshwater fish species
- the structure is a barrier to fish migration under most flow conditions and is the most downstream barrier in the creek system
- project developed through collaboration with Dept of Infrastructure and Planning & Brisbane City Council – 2010 construction

CLIENT AND PARTNERS



Department of Infrastructure and Planning



Brisbane City Council



PROJECT OBJECTIVES

- provide for upstream fish passage at structure
- retain integrity and function of control structure
- enhance ecological value of stream corridor
- provide demonstration site for community

SCOPE OF WORK

- concept design of fishway facility
- design and development of grade control fishway
- specialist construction guidance for fishway facility
- hydraulic and biological monitoring and evaluation

STRUCTURE DESCRIPTION

- concreted rock grade control structure 10 m wide
- water surface drop (0.9 m) at control structure
- rock protection works downstream of structure
- provides encasement for cross-creek water pipeline

MIGRATION BARRIERS

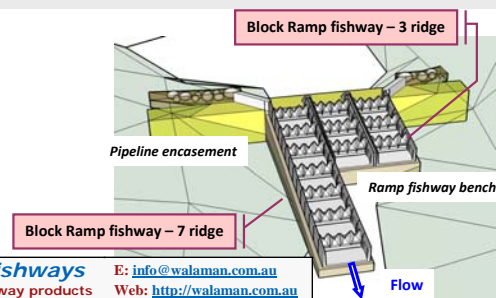
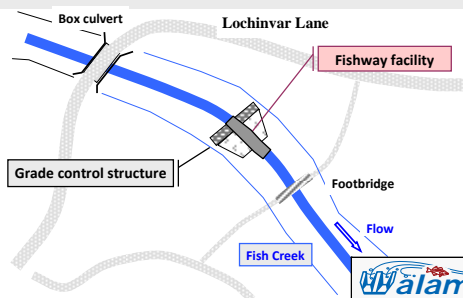
- high velocities and turbulence downstream of drop
- water surface drop at control structure crest
- shallow water depths across crest in low flows
- high velocities, lack of shelter on crest & upstream

MITIGATION MEASURES

- ramp fishway incorporated into downstream slope
- auxiliary ramp fishways for higher flows
- fishway channel and direction of attraction flows
- training walls for low flows upstream of structure

OTHER FEATURES

- access for hydraulic and biological monitoring
- miscellaneous protection works
- provisions for adaptation and testing



Fish passage planning and design for small waterway structures

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