

## Barham & Torrumbarry flooding Stay informed Advice



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The NSW SES advises people in the following area(s) to **STAY INFORMED** about predicted rising floodwaters causing minor flooding on the Murray River:

- Barham and surrounding areas
- Torrumbarry and surrounding areas

You should stay informed by monitoring warnings issued by NSW SES on their website and Facebook page, listening to your local ABC radio station, and checking the latest weather information from the Bureau of Meteorology online.

## What are we expecting?

The Bureau of Meteorology advises minor flooding is occurring at Barham and is likely at Corowa from late Friday.

Floodwaters from the Murray River tributaries combined with floodwaters from the local tributaries are likely to cause minor flooding along the Murray River at Corowa from late Friday and into the weekend.

Downstream, minor flooding continues along the Murray River at Barham.

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The Murray River at Barham is currently at 5.59 metres and rising slowly, above the minor flood level (5.50 metres).

The Murray River at Barham may reach around 5.70 metres over the weekend, with minor flooding.

Based on predictions from the Bureau of Meteorology, the following areas may be impacted by dangerous floodwaters:

- Low-lying minor roads, causeways and culverts
- Low-lying farming and rural areas
- Tourist Tracks in State Forrest may be impacted
- Camping grounds may be impacted
- Local 4WD tracks may be impacted

## What you need to do:

- Farmers should consider moving pumps and farm equipment to higher ground.
- Never drive, walk, ride through, play or swim in flood water it is dangerous, toxic, and may void your car insurance. If it's flooded, forget it. Fines may apply.
- Avoid storm drains and pipes, ditches, ravines, creeks, and rivers.
- If you have a Home and/or Business Emergency Plan, review it now. Otherwise, have a conversation and plan for what you will do and take with you if you need to evacuate.

- Consider the consequences of road and bridge closures and water over roads and make alternate arrangements for work, children, and travel.
- Obey all signs about road closures and instructions from emergency services.
- People in areas likely to be impacted by flooding should raise their assets, including waste and chemical containers above expected flood heights.
- Share this information with family, friends, and neighbours and help others prepare where possible.
- Companion animals and livestock should be relocated to higher ground that will not become an island.
- Flood water can be DECEPTIVE and dangerous.

## For more information:

- Listen to your local ABC radio station which can be found at <u>reception.abc.net.au</u>.
- Listen to ABC 675 AM Corowa or ABC Central Victoria 91.1 FM
- Follow us on social media <u>@NSWSES</u> or visit our website at <u>www.ses.nsw.gov.au</u>
- Learn about your risk at <u>www.ses.nsw.gov.au/knowyourrisk/</u>
- Check latest weather, warnings, rainfall and river heights at <a href="www.bom.gov.au/nsw/">www.bom.gov.au/nsw/</a>
- Check road closures at <u>livetraffic.com.au</u> or <u>132 701</u> or your local Council.
- Check disruptions to public transport at <u>www.transportnsw.info/alerts</u> or call the Transport Infoline on <u>131 500</u>
- Contact your Local Land Services Office for rural animal and livestock assistance at <a href="mailto:lls.nsw.gov.au">lls.nsw.gov.au</a> or call 1300 795 299
- VIC SES: www.emergency.vic.gov.au
- VicRoads: www.vicroads.vic.gov.au

For emergency help in floods, storms and tsunamis, call the NSW State Emergency Service on <u>132 500</u>. In life threatening situations, call Triple Zero (<u>000</u>) immediately.

Media enquiries: media@ses.nsw.gov.au or call 1800 067 234

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