

Deniliquin, Stevens Weir and downstream flood plains flooding Stay informed Advice



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

• Deniliquin, Steven's Weir and downstream locations and flood plains

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 along the Edward River.

Moderate flooding may occur at Stevens Weir Downstream.

The Edward River at Deniliquin is currently at 5.04 metres and slowly rising and approaching a peak, above the minor flood level (4.60 metres). The Edward River at Deniliquin may peak near 5.10 metres during Wednesday into Thursday, with minor flooding.

The Edward River at Stevens Weir Downstream is currently at 5.71 metres and rising slowly, above the minor flood level (5.50 metres). The Edward River at Stevens Weir Downstream may peak near the moderate flood level (5.80 metres) around Thursday.

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

- Water in the forest areas
- Low lying roads and low-lying bridges
- Farming and rural areas
- Water may back up Aljoes Lane from both sides
- River floodplains are likely to flood
- Low-lying areas of McLeans Beach Caravan Park

What you need to do:

- Farmers should consider moving pumps and farm equipment to higher ground.
- Companion animals and livestock should be relocated to higher ground that will not become an island.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

For more information:

- Listen to your local ABC radio station which can be found at <u>reception.abc.net.au</u>.
- Listen to Edge FM102.5, 2QN 1521, ABC Central Victoria 91.1 FM Bendigo or ABC Riverina 675 Corowa, ABC Goulburn Murray 106.5, 2REM 107.3, FreeFM Rock 94.1FM, Triple M 105.7FM, 98.5 The Light, 107FM Vision Australia,
- 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 www.ses.nsw.gov.au/knowyourrisk/
- Check latest weather, warnings, rainfall and river heights at www.bom.gov.au/nsw/
- Check road closures at <u>livetraffic.com.au</u> or <u>132 701</u> or your local Council.
- Contact your Local Land Services Office for rural animal and livestock assistance at <u>lls.nsw.gov.au</u> or call 1300.795.299

For emergency help in floods, storms and tsunamis, call the NSW State Emergency Service on $\underline{132\,500}$. In life threatening situations, call Triple Zero ($\underline{000}$) immediately.

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

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