



## Barham & Wakool Junction flooding

### Stay informed

### Advice



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**Next update:** Monday 07 Aug 2:00 pm or as the situation changes

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

- Barham and Wakool Junction

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 :

BARHAM:

The Murray River at Barham is steady near a peak of 5.96 metres, with moderate flooding.

The Murray River at Barham is likely to remain above the moderate flood level (5.80 metres) into mid-August.

WAKOOL JUNCTION

The Murray River at Wakool Junction is currently at 8.64 metres and steady. The Murray River at Wakool Junction is likely to exceed the minor flood level (8.80 m) around Sunday.

The river level may reach 9.10 metres around mid August, with minor flooding. Further rises are possible.

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
- Flood plains are likely to be flood

### What you need to do:

- Companion animals and livestock should be relocated to higher ground that will not become an island.
- Farmers should consider moving pumps and farm equipment to higher ground.
- 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 [reception.abc.net.au](http://reception.abc.net.au).
- 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,
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- Check latest weather, warnings, rainfall and river heights at [www.bom.gov.au/nsw/](http://www.bom.gov.au/nsw/)
- Check road closures at [livetraffic.com.au](http://livetraffic.com.au) or [132 701](http://132701) or your local Council.
- Contact your Local Land Services Office for rural animal and livestock assistance at [lls.nsw.gov.au](http://lls.nsw.gov.au) or call [1300 795 299](http://1300795299)

**For emergency help in floods, storms and tsunamis, call the NSW State Emergency Service on [132 500](http://132500). In life threatening situations, call Triple Zero ([000](http://000)) immediately.**

Media enquiries: [media@ses.nsw.gov.au](mailto:media@ses.nsw.gov.au) or call [1800 067 234](http://1800067234)

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