



Upper Murray River Communities flooding Stay informed Advice



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Next update: Sunday 07 Jan 2:45 pm or as the situation changes

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

- Jingellic
- Khanoban
- Bringenbong

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.

This warning is for communities in NSW. Floods have different impacts on either side of the Murray River. For information and warnings relevant to Victoria, visit www.emergency.vic.gov.au or call [1800 226 226](tel:1800226226). Always follow advice from your State's emergency services.

What are we expecting?

The Bureau of Meteorology advises Widespread minor flooding with is likely to develop from Monday Morning for the Upper Murray River.

An embedded low-pressure system is forecast to develop over the far west of the Border communities in both Victoria and New South Wales on Sunday evening and will move over central districts on Monday. This will bring widespread rainfall in the Flood Watch area and is likely to cause minor flooding, with isolated moderate flooding from Monday morning.

Catchments are moderately wet following recent rainfall.

Widespread rainfall totals of 30 to 60 mm are likely in the western and Central Region catchments of the Border Communities area on Sunday into Monday.

Isolated 60-80 mm totals are possible due to heavy falls from thunderstorms.

Widespread rainfall totals of 60 to 100 mm are likely across the north-central and northeastern Victorian Catchments from late Sunday into Monday.

Isolated totals over 100 mm are possible due to heavy falls from thunderstorms.

Showers are expected to contract to the east on Tuesday gradually.

River level rises and widespread minor flooding with isolated moderate flooding will likely develop from Monday morning for parts of the following catchment:

Upper Murray and Mitta Mitta Rivers

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

- Low-lying causeways

- Low-lying culverts
- Riverside Caravan and Campgrounds
- Flood plains
- Known low-lying unsealed roads.
- Unsealed roads may become difficult to navigate.

What you need to do:

- 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.
- If you are likely to be isolated due to flooding, stock up on essential items now.
- Farmers should consider moving pumps and farm equipment to higher ground.
- Do not camp under trees, or along riverbanks where the river may rise. You may get isolated or trapped.
- Companion animals and livestock should be relocated to higher ground that will not become an island.

For more information:

- Listen to your local ABC radio station which can be found at reception.abc.net.au.
- Follow us on social media [@NSWSES](https://twitter.com/NSWSES) or visit our website at www.ses.nsw.gov.au
- 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 livetraffic.com.au or [132 701](tel:132701) or your local Council.

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

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

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