

Wentworth, Dareton, Gol Gol and Buronga flooding Stay informed Advice



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Next update: Tuesday 01 Nov 4:30 pm or as the situation changes

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

- Wentworth
- Dareton
- Buronga

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 as this flood peak extends downstream, river levels at Swan Hill and downstream are likely to rise to levels similar to the 1993 flood event.

Forecasts will be progressively refined once the upstream flood peaks along the Murray River and its tributaries are observed.

Further rainfall is forecast for the remainder of Monday and Tuesday, which may cause renewed river level rises and flooding.

The situation is being closely monitored and revised predictions will be provided as necessary.

The Murray River at Mildura Weir may exceed the minor flood level (36.00 metres AHD) around 10-12 November.

The river level may reach 37.50 metres AHD round the end of November, with moderate flooding, similar to the 1993 flood.

The Murray River at Wentworth may exceed the moderate flood level (32.68 metres AHD) around 12-14 November.

The river level may reach around 33.30 metres AHD around the end of November, with moderate flooding.

Further rises possible.

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

- Log Bridge Road 750m west of Lagoon Road
- Low lying areas in Junction Park
- Low lying areas of Willow Bend Caravan Park
- Ski Reserve boat ramp
- Ski Reserve Road near the Broken Hill / Wentworth Pumping Station
- Low lying areas along the Darling and Murray Rivers may be inundated

- Local access roads may be closed due to floodwater
- Low lying sporting fields, parklands and public recreation areas are impacted by floodwater

## 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. 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.
- Visit Wentworth Shire Council website for information on local road closures https://www.wentworth.nsw.gov.au/infrastructure/engineering-services/roads-and-traffic/road-condition-report/
- Farmers should consider moving pumps and farm equipment to higher ground.

## For more information:

- Listen to your local ABC radio station which can be found at <u>reception.abc.net.au</u>.
- 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/your-risk/</u>
- Check latest weather, warnings, rainfall and river heights at bom.gov.au/nsw/
- Check road closures at livetraffic.com.au 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 <u>1300 795 299</u>

## For emergency help in floods and storms, call the NSW State Emergency Service on $\underline{132500}$ . 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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Access the latest warnings and information at <u>hazardwatch.gov.au</u>

