



Pooncarie and surrounds flooding

Monitor conditions

Advice



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The NSW SES advises people in the following area(s) to **MONITOR CONDITIONS** of the minor flooding on the Darling River:

- Pooncarie and surrounds
- Low lying areas along the Darling River near Pooncarie

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

What are we expecting?

The Bureau of Meteorology advises minor flooding is occurring at Pooncarie, where river levels are likely to remain elevated into March.

The Darling River at Pooncarie is currently at 7.37 metres and falling, with minor flooding. The Darling River at Pooncarie may remain above the minor flood level (6.80 metres) until March.

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

- Low lying areas around Pooncarie along the Darling River
- Access roads

What you need to do:

- Consider the consequences of road and bridge closures. Damage to roads, bridges or buildings caused by flooding and landslip may still exist in your area. Consider the need to make alternate arrangements for work, children, and travel.
- Be aware of road hazards including mud and debris.
- Remain vigilant as there could still be water in low lying areas.
- 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.
- If you are isolated and require resupply, contact NSW SES on 132 500.

For more information:

- Listen to your local ABC radio station which can be found at reception.abc.net.au.
- 2WEB Outback Radio
- 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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