IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR RESIDENTS FROM THE NSW SES

BARHAM FLOOD UPDATE

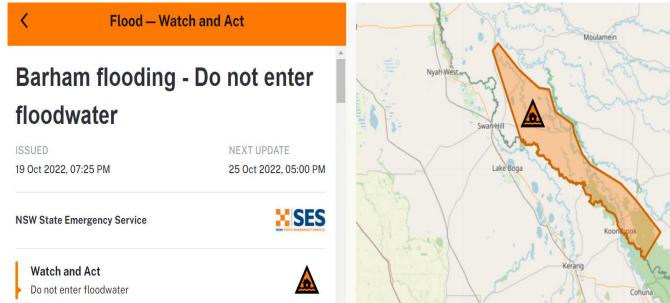


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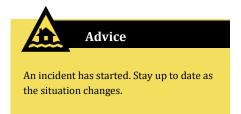
For Barham and low-lying surrounding areas

Flooding continues along the Murray River as a result of significant rainfall and potential for further rain in the week ahead. Barham may reach a major level of 6.20m in the last week of October. The Murray River at Barham is currently 6.19m. The NSW SES is working together with the community to prepare residents for possible flooding in your local area. This update provides an overview of the situation. We urge people isolated by floodwaters to contact our team at the Barham Community Hub if they require any additional information, social support or welfare checks at this time. The Hub will be open from 8.30am to 4.30pm Monday to Friday at 29 Noorong St Barham.

FLOOD OVERVIEW - Check www.ses.nsw.gov.au or scan the QR code below for the latest information.



NSW SES Warnings







Learn more about our warnings at www.ses.nsw.gov.au/warnings

Follow your emergency plan and stay up to date by listening to local radio. If your property is likely to be affected by flooding, stack possessions on benches and tables with electrical goods in the highest places. Move rubbish bins, chemicals and poisons to the highest places. Turn off electricity and gas if leaving. Rural

residents should lift pumps and machinery out of the way of rising floodwaters. As waters rise, local roads may be cut off and residents may become isolated. Prepare now by stocking up on non-perishable food, drinking water, medicines and essential items. Ensure you have enough supplies to last the duration of an isolation.

For emergency help in floods and storms, call the NSW SES on 132 500 or call 000 if life-threatening.



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IF AN EVACUATION IS REQUIRED

If a warning is issued to evacuate your property, it is a directive by the NSW SES to do so. If you are within the evacuation area, please make plans and evacuate to higher ground.

It is normal to feel stressed during periods of uncertainty. Visit <u>lifeline.org</u>.au or resources or for crisis support call LifeLine on 13 11 14.

In the event you do need to evacuate, follow the four steps below to prepare your property and leave safely.

FLOOD HAZARDS

Floods can contain hazards - including animals, debris, sewage and chemicals. There have been snake sightings in the local area recently.

Floodwaters create breeding grounds for mosquitoes. When outside during dusk and dawn, cover up as much as possible with loose fitting clothing and sensible footwear. Limit the number of places around your home for mosquitoes to breed by getting rid of items that hold water.



EMERGENCY CHECKLIST

Prepare for flooding

- ☐ Check your insurance policy.
- ☐ Prepare an emergency plan at <u>ses.nsw.gov.au</u>
- ☐ Get together your home emergency kit.
- ☐ Stock up on non-perishable food, medicines and essentials.

During a flood

- ☐ Stay out of floodwaters and do not drive through flooded roads.
- ☐ Stay away from drains, waterways and culverts
- ☐ For emergency help in floods and storms call the NSW SES on 132 500.

Recovering after the flood

- ☐ Ensure the structural stability of your property before entering and check for any damage.
- ☐ If you have suffered damage as a result of the flood, contact your insurance company.
- ☐ Have all electrical and gas equipment professionally tested before use
- ☐ Never eat food which has been in contact with floodwater.

PETS AND LIVESTOCK

Pets are reliant on you during floods. Never leave pets behind if you evacuate - and transport your pets appropriately.

Many farm animals are at risk during floods. Coordinate livestock with with neighbours, friends and livestock associations early. Move stock to high ground with plenty of natural feed. Contact the RSPCA if you come across injured wildlife impact by floodwaters.

EMERGENCY CONTACTS

Bureau of Meteorology 1300 659 217 www.bom.gov.au

National Relay Service

SSR: $1300\ 555\ 727$ and then ask for 132

500

TTY: 13 36 77 and then ask for 132 500

NSW LiveTraffic

132 701 livetraffic.com

Disaster Assistance 1800 018 444 Sandbagging: Parkman Avenue

Murray River Council

Ph: 1300 087 004



Need resupply due to current flooding?

STEP 1:

If you are isolated, contact NSW SES on 132 500 to request a resupply. Record the Request For Assistance (RFA) number you are provided.

STEP 2:

Make contact with your grocery or pharmacy supplier, order and pay for your goods and provide your RFA number to them.

STEP 3:

Ask the supplier to clearly write your RFA number, as well as your name and address on the package/s.

STEP 4:

Ask the supplier to deliver items to your local NSW SES Unit.

STEP 5:

NSW SES Unit will advise of the scheduled staging point & delivery time for residents to collect items.



For help in storms or floods call 132 500