MODERATE FLOOD BULLETIN # 09

Barwon River – downstream of Mungindi

Issued: Monday 14 March 2022 at 3.30pm



What is happening?

MODERATE FLOODING OCCURRING AT MUNGINDI

MINOR FLOODING OCCURRING AT MOGIL MOGIL

The Barwon River at Mungindi peaked at 7.34 metres around 3:15 am on Saturday 12 March, with major flooding. This peak is slightly higher than the April 2021 flood event.

River levels at Mungindi have fallen below the major flood level (7.20 metres) with moderate flooding continuing.

The flood peak along the Barwon River is currently approaching Mogil Mogil, where minor flooding is occurring.

Minor flooding is likely to extend to Collarenebri and Walgett from later this week.

Further rises are possible and predictions for downstream locations will be refined as upstream peaks are observed.

What we are expecting:

Based on the prediction provided by the Bureau of Meteorology:

Mungindi

- Moderate flooding is occurring along the Barwon River at Mungindi.
- The Barwon River at Mungindi is currently at 7.19 metres and falling, with moderate flooding.
- The Mungindi Boomi Road may close just past the airport at this height.
- Low lying areas along the Barwon River are likely to become inundated.

Mogil Mogil

- The Barwon River at Mogil Mogil may reach around 8.00 metres during Tuesday with minor flooding.
- Low lying areas along the Barwon River are likely to become inundated.
- Collarenebri Mungindi Rd (RR457) may close due to flooding.
- Forecast may be revised as upstream peaks are observed.

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Collarenebri

- The Barwon River at Collarenebri is likely to exceed the minor flood level (5.80m) around Thursday.
- The river level may reach to around 6.10 metres over the weekend, with minor flooding.
- Flood water is expected to break out of the Barwon River inundating low lying land to the south-east of Collarenebri, between the Gwydir Highway and the Barwon River.
- Floodwater is expected to close lower Maitland Street, adjacent to the Collarenebri Weir closing access to the Golf Club.
- Mission Road (SR67) may be impacted by floodwater. Some inundation of low-lying areas around the Walli Aboriginal Reserve is expected to occur.
- Gwydir Highway is expected to remain open.
- Forecast will be revised as upstream peaks are observed.

Walgett

- The Barwon River at Walgett is likely to reach the minor flood level (10.50 m) early next week (March 20-21).
- Floodwater is expected to impact Wee Waa Street outside the levee. Alternate access is available via the Showground Road and Euroka Street.
- Brewon Road (SR112) likely to be impacted by floodwater.
- Kamilaroi Highway (SH29) is expected to remain open.
- Forecast will be revised as upstream peaks are observed.

What you need to do:

- ACT NOW, before it's too late.
- Prepare now to minimise damage to your property and possessions.
- Ensure you can leave the area safely if flooding worsens.
- Stay up to date with information. Listen to flood warnings and follow advice on how to protect yourself, family, and property.
- People working or camping along the Barwon River should relocate to higher ground.
- Farmers and landholders are advised to relocate livestock, pumps, chemicals and equipment to higher ground. Do not wait until the flood peak approaches.
- Never drive, walk or play in floodwaters. Floodwater may be deep, fast flowing and may contain hidden snags and debris.

For emergency help in floods and storms, call the NSW State Emergency Service on 132 500.

In life threatening situations call triple zero (000) immediately.

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Latest River Heights for the Barwon River:

Macintyre River at Kanowna	4.86m steady	2.00pm	Mon 14/03/22
Weir River at Talwood	1.94m falling	12.00pm	Mon 14/03/22
Barwon River at Mungindi	7.19m steady	2.00pm	Mon 14/03/22
Barwon River at Mogil Mogil	7.83m steady	2.00pm	Mon 14/03/22
Barwon River at Collarenebri	4.64m steady	2.00pm	Mon 14/03/22
Barwon River at Tara U/S Namoi Junction	7.93m steady	2.00pm	Mon 14/03/22
Barwon River at Walgett	7.39m steady	2.00pm	Mon 14/03/22
Barwon River at Boorooma	7.09m steady	2.00pm	Mon 14/03/22
Barwon River at Brewarrina	2.82m steady	2.00pm	Mon 14/03/22

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- For rural animal and livestock assistance, contact your Local Land Services Office on **1300 795 299** or visit www.lls.nsw.gov.au
- For road closure information visit: www.livetraffic.com.au, call 131 701 or contact your Local Council.
- Queensland residents visit https://www.qfes.qld.gov.au/ for more information.

The next flood bulletin will be issued by 2:00pm Wednesday 16 March, 2022.

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