FLOOD WATCH BULLETIN NO. 2

Northern Rivers and Mid-North Coast



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What is happening?

FLOODING POSSIBLE IN NSW NORTHERN-RIVERS AND MID-NORTH COAST FROM TUESDAY

A low-pressure trough is expected to bring showers, rain and severe storms to the northern and central parts of NSW during Tuesday and Wednesday. This rainfall may cause minor flooding along rivers in parts of the NSW Northern Rivers and Mid-North Coast.

The weather system is expected to cause flooding for the catchments listed from Tuesday. Flood Classes (minor, moderate, major) are only defined for catchments where the Bureau provides a flood warning service.

What we are expecting:

Based on this Bureau of Meteorology prediction there is a 75% chance flooding developing in the following catchments:

Tweed and Rouse Rivers minor flooding
Brunswick River and Marshalls Creek minor flooding
Wilsons River minor flooding
Richmond River minor flooding
Orara River minor flooding
Bellinger and Kalang Rivers minor flooding

Minor flood levels

Low-lying areas next to water courses are inundated. Minor roads may be closed and low-level bridges submerged. In urban areas inundation may affect some backyards and buildings below the floor level as well as bicycle and pedestrian paths. In rural areas removal of stock and equipment may be required.

What you need to do:

People in areas likely to be impacted by flooding should consider:

- Refraining from driving or walking through flood water
- Road closures and flood isolation may impact on work, family and educational commitments
- Monitoring emergency warnings and severe weather updates on local ABC radio, <u>NSW SES Northern</u> <u>Rivers Facebook Page</u>, <u>NSW SES Mid North Coast</u> and <u>Bureau of Meteorology</u> website
- If your property is at risk of inundation, please raise moveable items, such as furniture, as high as possible onto benches or tables, placing electrical items on top
- If you are advised by an emergency services officer to evacuate, please do so

- Securing outside belongings and before leaving; turn off the power, water and take essential medicines and clothes with you
- Farmers should move machinery, livestock, pumps, and fodder to flood free ground

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.

For more information:

- Listen to your local ABC radio station, follow the NSWSES on Facebook or www.ses.nsw.gov.au
- Latest Weather, Warnings, Rainfall and River heights: www.bom.gov.au/nsw/
- Road Closures: www.livetraffic.com.au or www.myroadinfo.com.au
- Rural animal and livestock assistance, contact Local Land Services

The next bulletin will be issued by 11:30am on Wednesday 01 December 2021