

What is happening?

MODERATE FLOODING OCCURRING AT WILCANNIA

MINOR FLOODING OCCURRING AT BURTUNDY

At Tilpa, river levels peaked on Sunday 30 January, falling below the minor flood level (9.0 metres) today Wednesday 16 February at 4am.

The main flood peak along the Darling River is now passing Wilcannia, and currently around 9.95 metres with moderate flooding.

River levels at Wilcannia are likely to remain around this level until late next week when they will likely begin falling.

Downstream at Burtundy, minor flooding is occurring. River levels at Burtundy are expected to remain near the Minor Flood Level (6.10 metres) before beginning to fall around the end of February.

At Pooncarie, river levels are expected to remain below the minor flood level (6.80 metres).

What we are expecting:

Based on the prediction provided by the Bureau of Meteorology:

Louth

- Minor flooding is no longer occurring at Louth.
- Some local road closures are still current due to flooding – please see the Bourke and Cobar Shire Council websites for the latest road closure information.

Tilpa

- Minor flooding is no longer occurring at Tilpa
- The Darling River at Tilpa peaked at 12.31 metres around midday 30 January, with major flooding.
- The river level is currently at 8.80 metres and falling.
- Local road closures are current due to flooding – please see the Central Darling Shire website for the latest road closure information.

Wilcannia

- Moderate flooding is occurring at Wilcannia.
- The Darling River at Wilcannia is expected to peak near 10.00 metres today Wednesday 16 February 2022, with moderate flooding.

- Some local road closures are current due to flooding – please see the Central Darling Shire website for the latest road closure information.
- River levels at Wilcannia are likely to remain around this peak until late next week when they will likely begin falling.

Menindee

- Flooding is no longer occurring in Menindee with the river level currently at 7.35 metres and below the Minor Flood Level.

Pooncarie

- River levels at Pooncarie are likely to remain below the Minor Flood Level (6.80 metres).

Burtundy

- Minor flooding is occurring along the Darling River at Burtundy is likely to remain around the Minor Flood Level (6.10 metres) until the last week of February.

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 Darling 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.

Latest River Heights for the Darling River:

Darling River at Warraweena	6.33m steady	02.00pm	Wed 16/02/22
Darling River at Bourke	4.66m steady	12.00pm	Wed 16/02/22
Darling River at Louth	4.48m falling	01:00pm	Wed 16/02/22
Darling River at Tilpa	8.74m steady	01.00pm	Wed 16/02/22
Darling River at Wilcannia	9.92m steady	01.00pm	Wed 16/02/22
Talywalka Creek at Barrier Highway	3.46m steady	01.00pm	Wed 16/02/22
Darling River at Menindee Town	7.35m steady	02.00pm	Wed 16/02/22
Darling River at Menindee Weir 32	5.05m steady	02.00pm	Wed 16/02/22
Darling River at Pooncarie	6.41m steady	01.00pm	Wed 16/02/22
Darling River at Burtundy	6.11m steady	01.00pm	Wed 16/02/22

For more information:

- Visit www.ses.nsw.gov.au or follow us on [Facebook](#)
- Tune in to your local ABC Radio station
- For the latest Weather, Warnings, Rainfall, and River Heights visit www.bom.gov.au or phone 1300 945 108
- 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:

Bourke Shire Council

<https://bourke.nsw.gov.au/engineering/road-conditions/>

Cobar Shire Council

<https://www.cobar.nsw.gov.au/engineering/roads>

Central Darling Shire

<https://www.centraldarling.nsw.gov.au/Infrastructure/closed-roads>

Wentworth Shire

<https://www.wentworth.nsw.gov.au/infrastructure/engineering-services/roads-and-traffic/road-condition-report/>

Transport NSW

www.livetraffic.com.au or call **131 701**.

The next flood bulletin will be issued by 3.00 pm on Friday 18 February, 2022.