



# **ETHERIDGE SHIRE COUNCIL**

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## Media Release

### Riverine Flood Warning

Issued by the Etheridge Local Disaster Management Group at 1.00pm on 4<sup>th</sup> January 2023.

The Etheridge Shire Local Disaster Management Group has been monitoring recent rainfall activity across the Shire. Steady, but heavy rainfall in the Delaney and Etheridge Catchments had seen significant runs in Etheridge River system. As an initial precaution the LDMG has activated its Local Disaster Management Plan and continues to monitor weather and river conditions.

At its recent Meeting, the Local Disaster Management Group received a briefing from the Bureau of Meteorology. The Bureau is expecting widespread rainfall over the next couple of days associated with monsoonal activity. Falls of 20-40mm are forecast for Thursday and Friday, with isolated storms possibly producing heavier falls. Increased rainfall through saturated river catchment may result in increased risks of flash flooding at creek / river crossings.

For this reason, the Local Disaster Management Group recommend: -

- Residents in low lying should start preparing for the possibility of minor flooding;
- Travellers are advised to check road conditions on [www.131940.qld.gov.au](http://www.131940.qld.gov.au) and review their travel plans if roads are closed.
- Residents and motorists are strongly advised not to enter, walk or drive through floodwaters.
- For flood and storm emergency help, call the SES on 132 500.
- If your life is in danger, call Triple Zero (000) immediately.

For further information, please call.