



ETHERIDGE SHIRE COUNCIL

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MEDIA RELEASE

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SUBJECT: Severe Weather Briefing – Bureau of Meteorology

Riverine Flood Warning

Issued by the Etheridge Local Disaster Management Group at 4.00pm on 7th February 2025.

The Etheridge Shire Local Disaster Management Group (LDMG) has been monitoring recent rainfall activity across the Shire. Steady, but heavy rainfall has occurred in various areas of the shire, causing significant runs in all river systems.

The LDMG remains active from the event this week in Georgetown with the current status being LEAN FORWARD. The LDMG will continue to monitor warnings and share information with the community as required.

At its recent Meeting, the LDMG received a briefing from the Bureau of Meteorology. The Bureau has thunderstorm warnings in place, together with a 3 day rainfall outlook of 200mm. Monsoonal activity is producing increased rainfall over already saturated river catchments which 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 areas should start preparing for the possibility of minor flooding;
- Travellers are advised to check road conditions on 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 don't hesitate to contact Council.

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