



History of Flooding

Be flood aware

Mandagery Creek flows through the centre of Eugowra, flooding low lying areas of the town and cutting the town in half during significant flood events. Eugowra is impacted by both flash and riverine flooding as a result of heavy rainfall. There's a long history of flooding from Mandagery Creek and its tributaries: Waterhole, Puzzle Flat, and Boree Creeks. Major flooding in Eugowra occurred in Apr 1950, Feb 1973, Aug 1990, Feb 1992, Nov 2005, Dec 2010, Sep 2016, and Nov 2022.

The extreme flood that occurred on 14th November 2022 is the 'Flood of Record' in Eugowra. Water levels reached 11.02m on the manual flood gauge located near the Eugowra Town Bridge on the eastern bank of Mandagery Creek. During this flood event approx. 217 homes and 25 businesses experienced over floor flooding. This flood event damaged many buildings in Eugowra and saw the loss of life.

In a Major Flood, Eugowra is divided in two by floodwaters with east Eugowra becoming separated from west Eugowra when Mandagery Creek reaches 9.00m. At this height the approaches to the bridge are impacted by water and access is lost.



Eugowra town, facing west | Image credit: NSW SES

Flood impacts

Streets that are inundated during major floods on the western side of Eugowra include North (Amaroo Way), Cooper, Broad, Bowler, Myall, Barrack and Cheshier Streets.

On the eastern side of Eugowra streets inundated in major floods include Nanima (Casuarina Dr), Kareena, Loftus, Oberon, Evelyn, and Pye (Nangar Rd) Streets along with Grevillea Ave (The Escort Way) and Hillview Ln. On the southeastern side of Eugowra, Waugan Rd experiences inundation.

During major flood events in Eugowra the main Evacuation Centre will be established at the Eugowra Showground (access from Noble St) in east Eugowra. A secondary Evacuation Centre will be established at the Eugowra Public School (crn of Hill and Victoria Streets) in west Eugowra. It's preferable when major flooding occurs that people living in both west and east Eugowra relocate to the main Evacuation Centre located at the Eugowra Showgrounds, but only if it's safe to do so.

If you live in west Eugowra and want to access the Evacuation Centre located in east Eugowra, you need to relocate at 8.50m, before the access to the bridge is lost. After the bridge closes, you will need to relocate to the Evacuation Centre at the Eugowra Public School, but only if it's safe to do so.

Deciding to remain in your home or business when it is surrounded by flood water or has water over the floor level is dangerous. There may be no water, sewerage, power, telephone, or other services for several weeks and you may be unable to call for help in an emergency.

Eugowra Town Bridge Gauge

This information was gathered from historical flood data, local flood plans, and flood studies.

Height at gauge	Expected consequence
14.02m	Probable Maximum Flood (PMF)* height.
11.02m	Peak height - 14 November 2022. 'Flood of Record' at 0.2% AEP**
10.38m	Estd. height of a 1% AEP flood event.
9.90m	Peak height - August 1990.
9.52m	Peak height - December 2010.
9.45m	Eugowra Town Siren is activated if water is expected to reach or exceed this height. Check the latest flood warning for Eugowra and move immediately to your closest Evacuation Centre, shown below, if it's safe: • Eugowra Showground – east • Eugowra Public School – west
9.00m	MAJOR FLOOD HEIGHT Approaches to the Eugowra Town Bridge can be impacted by floodwaters. The town can be cut in half at this point.
8.80m	The Escort Way may close at the lagoon (approx. 2km north-east of Eugowra).
8.70m	East Eugowra community members at risk of flooding to relocate to Eugowra Showground using the safest route.
8.50m	West Eugowra community members at risk of flooding to consider relocating to the Eugowra Showground, if safe, before road access is lost.
8.00m	MINOR FLOOD HEIGHT

***Probable Maximum Flood (PMF)** is the largest flood that could conceivably be expected to occur at a particular location, usually estimated from probable maximum rainfall.

****Annual Exceedance Probability (AEP)** means the chance of a flood of a given or larger size occurring within the next 12 months, usually expressed as a percentage. Eugowra's 'Flood of Record' on the 14th November 2022 had an estimated AEP of 0.2%. This is a 1-in-500 chance of a flood of this size occurring in any one year.

Australian Warning System (AWS)

The Australian Warning System (AWS) is a national approach to help everyone easily identify the type of hazard and warning level. You may not always receive an official warning. If you notice the natural signs like rushing or pooling water, and heavy or prolonged rainfall - don't wait, leave low-lying areas if it's safe to do so.



Advice

There is a heightened level of threat.
Stay up to date as the situation changes.



Action Statements

Stay informed
Monitor conditions

Reduced threat -
Return with caution



Watch and Act

Conditions are changing and you need to start taking action now to protect you and your family.



Action Statements

Do not enter floodwater
Prepare to evacuate

Prepare to isolate
Avoid the area



Emergency Warning

You may be in danger and need to take action immediately.



Action Statements

Evacuate now /
Evacuate before (time)

Shelter now
Move to higher ground



Download the Hazards Near Me app

Hazards Near Me NSW shows current information about local emergencies, including floods, storms and tsunamis, and advice on what to do to stay safe.

Set your **Watch Zones** and stay informed with notifications for new incidents and when information changes.

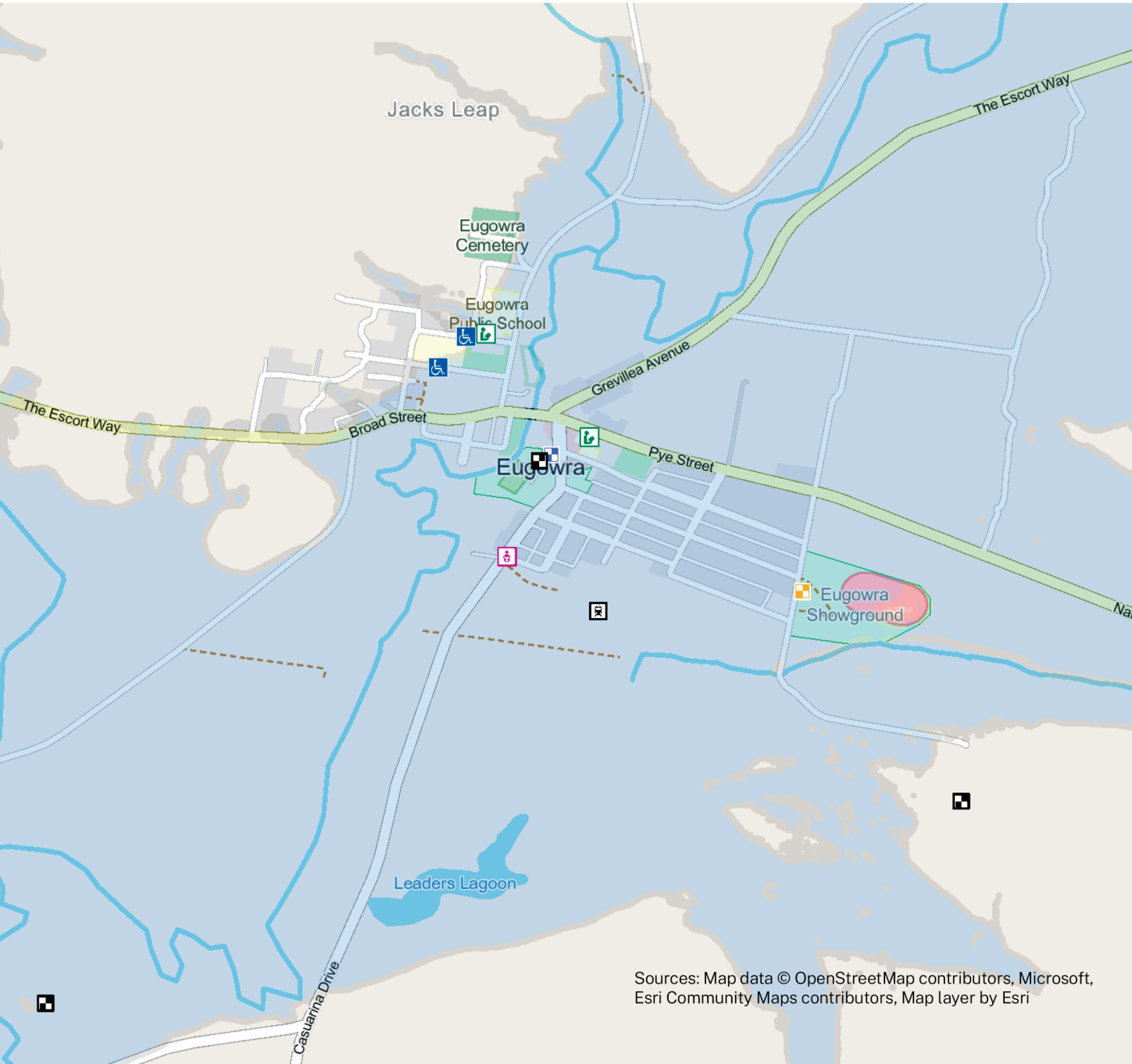
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Eugowra Flood Risk

Probable Maximum Flood (PMF)

Probable Maximum Flood (PMF) is the largest flood that could conceivably be expected to occur at a particular location, usually estimated from probable maximum rainfall. The PMF defines the maximum extent of flood prone land, that is, the floodplain. The PMF for Eugowra is estimated to be 14.02m.



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EUGOWRA

Legend			
Eugowra_PMF_Consultant_2026	Ambulance Facilities	Aged Care Facilities	
Probable Maximum Flood	Police Stations	Caravan Park / Camping	
NSW SES Headquarters	Educational Facilities	Airports	
RFS Stations	Child Care Facilities	Rail Stations	
	Health Care Facilities		

Flood extent based on a current study outside the NSW Flood Data Portal

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Kilometres

Scale: 1:25,000

If a flood exceeds the extent indicated on this map, NSW SES is not liable for any loss suffered as a result of reliance on this map.

Get prepared in Eugowra

These actions will help prepare your household for floods.
Being prepared can save lives.

How to prepare for flood:

- ☒ **Know where to get updates and warnings**
 - Bureau of Meteorology: local weather updates.
 - NSW State Emergency Service (NSW SES): information on floods and storms.
 - ABC Radio: the official emergency broadcaster.

- ☒ **Prepare an emergency kit**

What to pack:

1. Health care items like medications and prescriptions.
2. Copies of your important documents (hard copies or stored digitally).
3. Important valuables and mementos.
4. Important phone numbers.
5. Radio, torch and batteries.
6. Clothing and personal items.

- ☒ **Make a plan if you need to evacuate**

The Evacuation Centre at the Showground will be accessible to those in east and west Eugowra before the bridge is cut at **8.5m**. After **8.5m**, residents in west Eugowra will need to evacuate to the Eugowra Public School.

- ☒ **Share your plan**

Talk with relatives, neighbours, and friends about what you'll do if you need to evacuate.

What to do during a flood:

-  **Follow NSW SES Flood Advice and Emergency Warnings**

- If flooding is expected to occur, your property may be doorknocked with further information specific to your location. Follow the advice of the NSW SES or those operating under their direction.

-  **Take your emergency kit**

- This should include your medications, prescriptions and any assistance equipment.

-  **Take your animals**

- Put them on leads or in pet carriers.

-  **Evacuate if the town siren is activated**

- It will be activated if flooding is expected to reach or exceed **9.45m**.
- Once activated, move immediately to your closest Evacuation Centre, if safe to do so.

-  **Know where to go**

- Follow advice on evacuations and check live traffic information.
- Make your way to relatives or friends if you can.

-  **Look out for each other**

- Share information those close to you and help others who may need assistance.

Key Contact Information

Police, Fire and Ambulance - Triple Zero (000)
for life-threatening emergencies.

NSW SES - 132 500

for emergency assistance in a flood, storm or tsunami.

LiveTraffic

livetraffic.com for local road information.

Cabonne Council

(02) 6392 3200

council@cabonne.nsw.gov.au

cabonne.disasterdashboards.com

Local Radio

ABC Central West – 549AM

Local Land Services

1300 795 299 | lls.nsw.gov.au

Scan below
for local
information

