



Know your Warnings

Early warnings enable and empower communities to take action ahead of severe weather events, saving lives and building stronger, more resilient communities.

The NSW SES has transitioned to the Australian Warning System (AWS) - a national, multi-hazard, three-tiered approach to warning communities likely to be impacted by severe weather events. Our new warnings have clear action statements which will better support communities to take actions and make safe decisions.


Our multi-hazard warning platform HazardWatch provides a comprehensive view of all NSW SES flood and tsunami warnings on a map, with many more features coming soon including storms.

A multi-hazard, three-tiered warning system



Advice

An incident has started. 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

Three Warning Components




Location + Hazard

The location and the type of hazard impacting the community (eg. Smithtown flooding).



Action Statement

An action statement/s to guide protective action by the community, evolving as the warning levels increase in severity (eg 'stay informed').



Warning Level

The severity of the natural hazard event and the consequences on the community.

FOR EXAMPLE:

Smithtown East Flooding - Prepare to Evacuate - **Watch and Act**
Arkville North Flooding - Evacuate Now - **Emergency Warning**

For more info, visit:
ses.nsw.gov.au/warnings
or scan QR Code





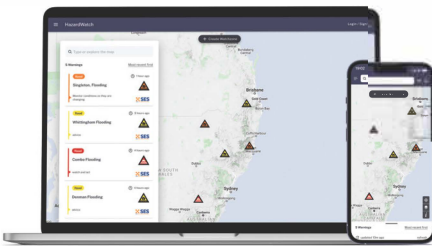
Know your Warnings

Easier access on your device

The new HAZARDS-NEAR-ME warning application is an interactive platform showing users NSW SES flood and tsunami warnings and NSW RFS fire warnings in either a map or List view.

Warning information including clear steps about how to stay safe in severe weather are shown for each warning level.

Download the Hazards-Near-Me app today, it is available in both Apple and Android. Learn more and get started at www.hazardwatch.gov.au



Hazards Near Me NSW

Your trusted source of emergency information.



Update your Fires Near Me NSW app, or search for 'Hazards Near Me NSW' in your app store.

Local warnings for your community

The NSW SES utilises a range of sources to build detailed flood intelligence within local communities - including information from flood studies and historical flood data. As part of the transition to the Australian Warning System, the NSW SES has increased flexibility to tailor warnings at the community level, based on the expected consequence of severe weather events.

The NSW SES acknowledges the traditional custodians of the Lands and waters of NSW. As part of our commitment as an inclusive and diverse emergency service, warning products are being updated to include indigenous place names.

For more info, visit:
ses.nsw.gov.au/warnings
or scan QR Code

