

# Warren Shire community invited to have their say on new Warren Flood Study

## Warren, NSW — Tuesday 7 October 2025

Warren Shire Council is urging residents to share their stories of past floods and local drainage issues as part of the **Warren Flood Study** currently underway.

The Study is being undertaken by specialist consultants HydroSpatial Pty Ltd, in partnership with Warren Shire Council, as part of the NSW Government's Floodplain Risk Management Program. It builds on collected data and community insight to define the nature and extent of flood risk across Warren and provide an evidence base for future planning and mitigation.

Warren Shire Mayor Greg Whiteley said many residents have lived through flood events that maps alone can't capture.

"We don't just want data. We want your stories and local knowledge," Mayor Whiteley said.

"This Flood Study will be stronger and more meaningful if it reflects what people have actually seen and experienced."

Council's General Manager, Gary Woodman said Warren's levees have protected the community for decades, but they can still be tested during major events.

"That's why local insights are critical. The community's photos and observations will validate our models and confirm how floodwaters behave in our town. Combining data and experience will help us plan with confidence, seek funding and design infrastructure that makes a real difference," he added.

The Warren Flood Study is also expected to support **fairer insurance outcomes** by providing insurers with accurate flood data, as well as guide future stormwater and levee rehabilitation works.

Mayor Whitely said community participation will help build a more resilient Warren.

"Community involvement is essential to the success of this project," he said.





"Local knowledge of flood behaviour will help guide Council's planning, improve preparedness and strengthen how we protect Warren into the future. I encourage all residents, businesses and property owners to complete the survey or join us at the drop-in session."

## **How to Have Your Say**

# **Community Drop-In Session**

Tuesday 21 October 2025 10.00am - 2.00pm Warren Shire Library

#### Flood Study Survey

Complete the Warren Flood Study Survey online or collect printed copies from Council's Administration Centre or the Warren Shire Library.

#### **Share Your Photos or Records**

Residents can also email flood photos, videos or records to <a href="mailto:council@warren.nsw.gov.au">council@warren.nsw.gov.au</a>

For more information visit: <a href="https://www.warren.nsw.gov.au/environment/flood-study">www.warren.nsw.gov.au/environment/flood-study</a>

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