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Attached report W35.

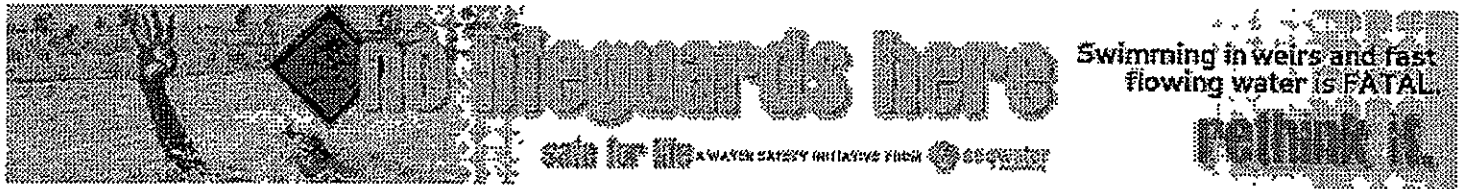
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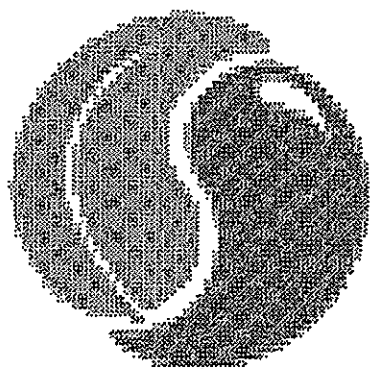
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TECHNICAL SITUATION REPORT

TSR Number	W37	Date of TSR release	10.1.2011	Time of TSR release	3pm
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Outlook

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(consisting of references to latest Flood Warning for the Brisbane River and other relevant Bureau forecasts and warnings (e.g. weather/rain forecasts, Tropical Cyclone Warning etc) and other updates/comments if needed)

BoM has been advised.

BoM Technical Officer name	Peter Baddiley
BoM Technical Officer position title	
BoM Technical Officer contact details	flood.qld [REDACTED]

Brisbane City Council (BCC) assessment

(to include predicted local inundation areas and depths of inundation based on the information)

Council has been advised of the current status.

BCC Technical Officer name	Chris Lavin
BCC Technical Officer position title	Disaster Operations Manager
BCC Technical Officer contact details	

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ICC Technical Officer position title	Local Disaster Response Coordinator
ICC Technical Officer contact details	

Somerset Regional Council (SRC) assessment (if required)

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SRC Technical Officer name	Tony Jacobs
SRC Technical Officer position title	Local Disaster Response Coordinator
SRC Technical Officer contact details	

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Gina O'Driscoll

From: Dan Spiller
Sent: Monday, 10 January 2011 4:09 PM
To: Barry Dennien
Subject: Technical Situation Report W37
Attachments: Technical Situation Report W37.docx

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Dan Spiller

From: Dan Spiller
Sent: Monday, 10 January 2011 5:48 PM
To: Matthies.GregoryM [REDACTED] Saunderson.MichelleA [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: contact details for BCC re water effects
Attachments: Technical Situation Report W37.docx

Updated report as discussed.

Please call me on [REDACTED] if you have any queries or require any further information.

Regards,
Dan

TO: BOM615

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Australian Government Bureau of Meteorology Queensland

PRIORITY

FLOOD WARNING FOR THE LOCKYER, BREMER, WARRILL AND BRISBANE RIVER BELOW WIVENHOE INCLUDING BRISBANE CITY Issued at 4:16 PM on Monday the 10th of January 2011 by the Bureau of Meteorology, Brisbane.

Stream level rises causing moderate to major flooding are being recorded in Lockyer Creek, Warrill Creek and along the Bremer River. Major flood levels are likely at Ipswich during Tuesday.

Wivenhoe dam is providing significant mitigation of upper Brisbane floods. River flows from the Bremer and Lockyer catchments combined with releases from Wivenhoe dam are expected to increase levels in Brisbane overnight and through Tuesday.

At the Brisbane City Gauge, a river levels of about 2.1 metres is expected with the afternoon high tide on Tuesday and about 3 metres is expected with the high tides on Wednesday causing moderate flooding.

(3 metres at the Brisbane City gauge is about 1.5 metres higher than the highest tide of the year at this location).

LOCKYER CREEK:

Further rainfall during Monday has led to renewed rises in the Lockyer Creek catchment. Rainfall is forecast to continue this evening and a return to moderate to major flood levels is expected overnight and during Tuesday. Major flood levels are expected to continue at Lyons Bridge with rises above 15 metres likely during Tuesday.

BREMER RIVER:

Rainfall during Monday will lead to renewed rises and a return to moderate flood levels along the Bremer River to Walloon. Levels over 5 metres are expected at Rosewood overnight.

The Bremer River at Ipswich is expected to reach about 12.7 metres on Tuesday afternoon. Higher levels are possible.

WARRILL CREEK

Further rainfall during Monday will lead to increasing river levels along Warrill Creek with levels expected to reach above 6 metres at Amberley overnight.

MIDDLE AND LOWER BRISBANE:

SEQwater advises releases from Wivenhoe Dam will increase during Monday.

Moderate flooding is expected at Savages Crossing and at Mt Crosby Weir overnight tonight and during Tuesday.

The Brisbane River at the City Gauge (lower end of Edward Street and at Thornton Street) is expected to reach about 2.1 metres with the afternoon high tide on Tuesday and reach about 3 metres with the high tides on Wednesday causing moderate flooding.

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Predicted River Heights/Flows:

Ipswich: Reach about 12.7 metres (major) during Tuesday afternoon. Quicker rises and higher levels are possible depending on further rainfall tonight.

Moggill: Reach about 12 metres (minor) during Tuesday afternoon.

Jindalee: Reach about 7 metres (minor) overnight Tuesday.

Brisbane: Reach about 2.1 metres with the afternoon high tide on Tuesday.

Reach about 3 metres with the high tides on Wednesday causing moderate flooding.

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Further rises are possible at all four locations depending on further rain.

Next Issue:

The next warning will be issued at about 9pm Monday.

Latest River Heights:

Lockyer Ck at Gatton #	10.36m steady	03:04 PM MON 10/01/11
Laidley Ck at Laidley	6m rising	02:45 PM MON 10/01/11
Laidley Ck at Showground Weir #	6.98m rising	03:07 PM MON 10/01/11
Laidley Ck at Warrego Hwy *	5.43m falling	01:00 PM MON 10/01/11
Lockyer Ck at Glenore Grove #	11.36m falling	03:05 PM MON 10/01/11
Lockyer Ck at Lyons Br #	14.79m rising	03:02 PM MON 10/01/11
Lockyer Ck at Rifle Range Rd *	13.4m rising	08:20 AM MON 10/01/11
Brisbane R at Lowood Pump Stn #	14.13m falling	03:07 PM MON 10/01/11
Brisbane R at Savages Crossing #	14.15m rising	03:09 PM MON 10/01/11
Brisbane R at Burtons Br #	10.88m rising	03:05 PM MON 10/01/11
Brisbane R at Kholo Br #	6.23m rising	03:06 PM MON 10/01/11
Brisbane R at Mt Crosby #	14.26m rising	03:07 PM MON 10/01/11
Brisbane R at Colleges Crossing #	11.96m rising	03:09 PM MON 10/01/11
Bremer R at Spresters Br #	5.07m rising	03:09 PM MON 10/01/11
Bremer R at Rosewood #	4.94m rising	03:02 PM MON 10/01/11
Bremer R at Five Mile Br Walloon #	5.12m falling	03:09 PM MON 10/01/11
Warrill Ck at Harrisville #	3.82m rising	03:05 PM MON 10/01/11
Warrill Ck at Amberley DNR *	5.34m rising	08:10 AM MON 10/01/11
Bremer R at Ipswich #	6.6m rising	02:40 PM MON 10/01/11
Brisbane R at Moggill #	5.52m rising	02:59 PM MON 10/01/11
Brisbane R at Jindalee Br #	3.7m rising	02:50 PM MON 10/01/11
Brisbane R at City Gauge #	1.36m falling	03:09 PM MON 10/01/11

*automatic station

Warnings and River Height Bulletins are available at <http://www.bom.gov.au/qld/flood/> .
Flood Warnings are also available on telephone 1300 659 219 at a low call cost of 27.5 cents, more from mobile, public and satellite phones.

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Sent: Monday, 10 January 2011 10:54 AM

To: Dan Spiller

Subject: contact details for BCC re water effects

Dan

As per our conversation my email is attached and any further info will be great

Regards Greg Matthies

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Suzie Emery

From: Ken Smith [Ken.Smith [REDACTED]]
Sent: Monday, 10 January 2011 6:12 PM
To: Barry Dennien
Subject: FW: BCC Innundation Map at 4000 cumecs
Attachments: img-110173945-0001.jpg

Barry


FYI

Regards

Ken Smith
Director-General
Department of the Premier and Cabinet

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Email: [Ken.Smith \[REDACTED\]](mailto:Ken.Smith [REDACTED])

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From: Colin Jensen [mailto:Colin.Jensen [REDACTED]]
Sent: Monday, 10 January 2011 6:09 PM
To: Ken Smith
Subject: BCC Innundation Map at 4000 cumecs

Ken

As discussed, please find attached a map showing the innundation in Brisbane that is estimated to result from a river flow of 4,000 cubic meters per second. Note that this only shows the river flooding not innundation from localised rain flooding.

Regards

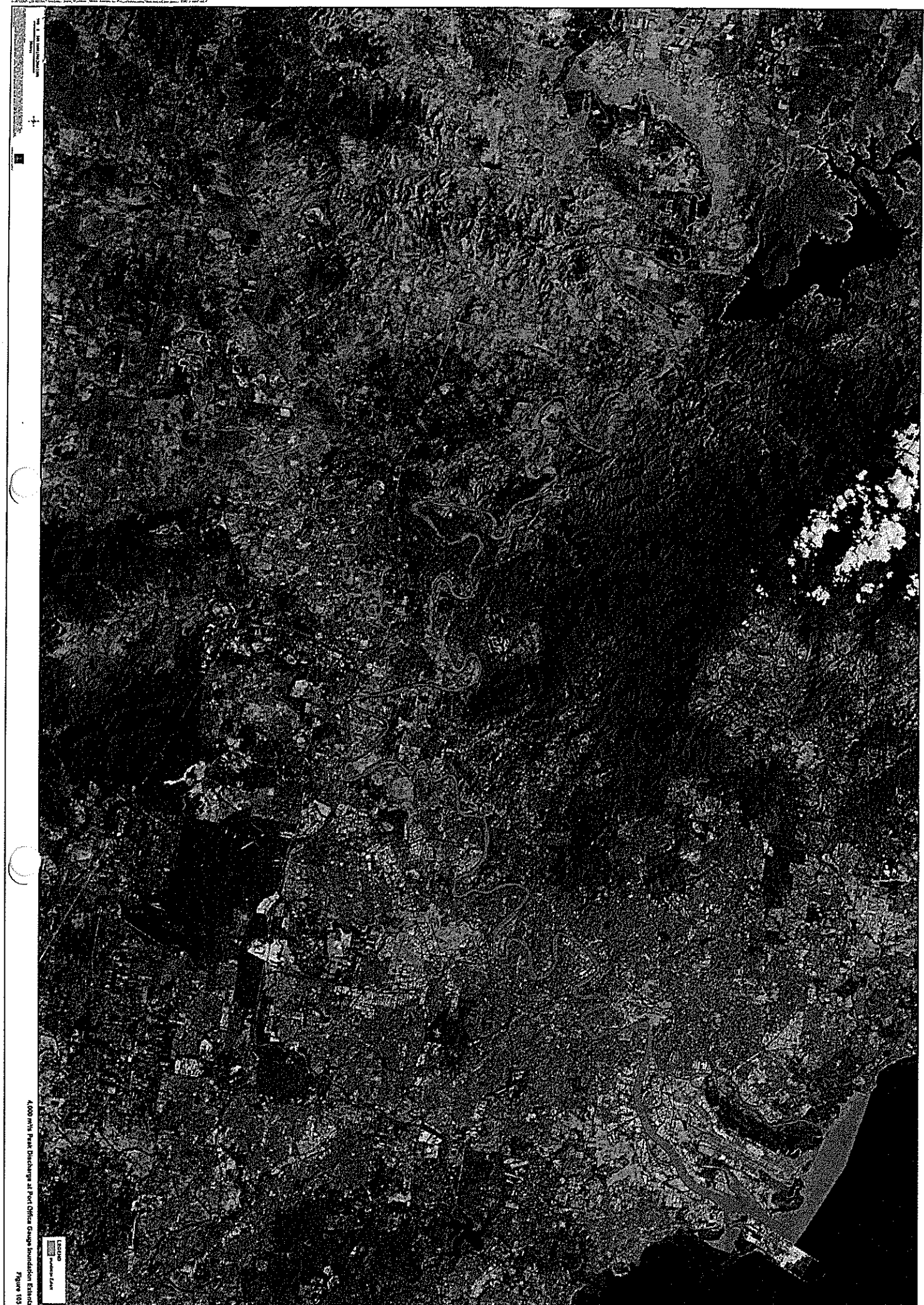
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Suzie Emery

From: Ken Smith [Ken.Smith [REDACTED]]
Sent: Monday, 10 January 2011 6:24 PM
To: Barry Dennien
Subject: FW: List of suburbs impacted by innundation from a 4,000 cumec river flow

Barry

At last. I will call you to discuss assumptions underpinning number of properties impacted at 4,000 cubic meters assumption

Regards

Ken Smith
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Sent: Monday, 10 January 2011 6:21 PM
To: Ken Smith
Subject: List of suburbs impacted by innundation from a 4,000 cumec river flow

Ken

Please find following, as discussed, some information on the consequence of river innundation likely to result from a river flow of 4,000 cubic meters per second.

Number of properties affected:

- 455 properties (parcels of land) have been identified as experiencing flooding on next Wednesday (at least 221 of these are homes and businesses)
- 7, 731 properties may see some flooding either on the land or outside the property
- More than 400 streets will be affected by flooding in some way

Below is the list of suburbs where the 455 properties that will be affected are located. In brackets is the number of properties/parcels of land that will be affected in each suburb. This is based on the data and modelling we have done to date and we may see increases in these numbers once figures are revised.

- Rocklea (80)
- Albion (49)

- Milton (49)
- Auchenflower (40)
- Norman Park (26)
- Pinkenba (26)
- 0- Oxley (19)
- New Farm (17)
- Kangaroo Point (16)
- Bulimba & Sherwood (14 each)
- Yeronga (10)
- Graceville (9)
- Newstead (8)
- Yeerongpilly (7)
- Bowen Hills (6)
- Indooroopilly, Windsor (5 each)
- Wacol, Brisbane City, Moggill, East Brisbane, Fortitude Valley (4 each)
- Chelmer, Hemmant, Tennyson (3 each)
- Fairfield, Fig Tree Pocket, Coorparoo, South Brisbane, Lytton, Murrarie (2 each)

7 Rapid Response Group teams will be working from both a map and a database to doorknock/letterbox drop a flyer to the 221 homes and businesses that are predicted as being likely to experience inundation. They will visually check using the map that none of the remaining parcels of land from the total 455 properties identified as experiencing flooding are actually homes or businesses also.

The locations where the 221 homes and businesses are located is Albion, Auchenflower, Brisbane City, Bowen Hills, Bulimba, Fortitude Valley, Graceville, Hemmant, Indooroopilly, Kangaroo Point, Lytton, Milton, New Farm, Newstead, Norman Park, Oxley, Pinkenba, Rocklea, Sherwood, Tennyson, Wacol, Windsor, Yeronga.

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Sent: Tuesday, 11 January 2011 6:29 AM
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Cc: Martin.PeterJ [REDACTED]; Dunn.KerryG [REDACTED]; Barry Dennien; Tim Watts
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Debbie,

Preliminary advice below. Report being prepared and BoM remodeling.

Dan

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Subject: RE: Impact of Lockyer flows

Dan,

I will send a report shortly but below are words I was going to send. I have also attached the BoM warning for the Lockyer that they sent this morning.

They are reissuing their warning this morning based on new information.

Basically the FOC was going to try to slow our releases last night to give a small window for the Lockyer flood to go through however we again received and are still receiving heavy rain in the catchments.

Currently the FOC has shut some sluices at Somerset to store more water to keep Wivenhoe below RL74 at which we need to start increasing releases. The first fuse plug goes at about RL 75.7m

The strategy is now to keep releases as is to not worsen the situation downstream as the Lockyer recorded levels higher than any on record. However we may still need to increase releases depending on what happens through the day.

The FOC have given our release strategy (not really different in releases at this stage) to the BoM and they will reissue their flood warnings based on that and other flows in the Lockyer and Bremer.

The FOC have spoken to BCC and ICC and we will send them an update. BCC are having a LDMG meeting this morning. Dan, not sure if anyone from the WGM is going but Chris Lavin is the contact.

Rob

From: Aifs Operational Manager[SMTP:AIFSQLD[REDACTED]]

Sent: Tuesday, January 11, 2011 4:06:54 AM

To: weather

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FLOOD WARNING FOR THE LOCKYER, BREMER, WARRILL AND BRISBANE RIVER
BELOW WIVENHOE INCLUDING BRISBANE CITY Issued at 4:06 AM on Tuesday the 11th
of January 2011 by the Bureau of Meteorology, Brisbane.

The main flood waters in the Lockyer Creek are now arriving at Lyons Bridge, with strong stream rises expected during Tuesday.

Wivenhoe dam is providing significant mitigation of upper Brisbane floods. River flows from the Bremer and Lockyer catchments combined with releases from Wivenhoe dam are expected to increase levels in Brisbane during Tuesday.

At the Brisbane City Gauge, minor flood levels of about 2.1 metres are expected with the afternoon high tide on Tuesday and levels of about 3 metres are expected with the high tides on Wednesday causing moderate flooding.

(3 metres at the Brisbane City gauge is about 1.5 metres higher than the highest tide of the year at this location).

LOCKYER CREEK:

Extremely heavy rainfall during Monday led to extreme rises in the Lockyer Creek catchment and Laidley Creek at Mulgowie. Record flood levels of 18.92 metres were recorded at Gatton Monday evening before the station failed. This level was well above the previous record peak of 16.33 metres from the February 1893 flood.

The main flood waters are currently arriving at Lyons Bridge, with strong stream rises expected in the next few hours. The Lockyer Creek at Glenore Grove peaked at 14.60 metres at 11:30pm, which is 0.3 metres below the 1974 flood.

Renewed stream rises have commenced in Lockyer Creek at Lyons Bridge with a peak between 16 and 16.5 metres expected Tuesday morning. This is likely to be similar in level to the 1996 flood.

BREMER RIVER:

The Bremer River at Walloon has exceeded the moderate flood level. The Bremer River at Rosewood peaked at 5.8 metres around midnight monday.

The Bremer River at Ipswich is expected to reach about 12.7 metres on Tuesday afternoon. Higher levels are possible.

WARRILL CREEK

Warrill Creek at Amberley peaked at 5.98 metres around 9pm Monday.

MIDDLE AND LOWER BRISBANE:

Moderate flooding is developing at Savages Crossing and at Mt Crosby Weir.

At the Brisbane City Gauge (lower end of Edward Street and at Thornton Street), minor flood levels of about 2.1 metres are expected with the afternoon high tide on Tuesday and levels of about 3 metres are expected with the high tides on Wednesday causing moderate flooding.

(3 metres at the Brisbane City gauge is about 1.5 metres higher than the highest tide of the year at this location).

Predicted River Heights/Flows:

Ipswich: Reach about 12.7 metres (major) during Tuesday afternoon.

Moggill: Reach about 12 metres (minor) during Tuesday afternoon.

Jindalee: Reach about 7 metres (minor) overnight Tuesday.

Brisbane: Reach about 2.1 metres (minor) with the afternoon high tide on Tuesday. Reach about 3 metres (moderate) with the high tides on Wednesday.

(3 metres at the Brisbane City gauge is about 1.5 metres higher than the highest tide of the year at this location).

Further rises are possible at all four locations depending on further rain.

Next Issue:

The next warning will be issued at about 8am Tuesday.

Latest River Heights:

Lockyer Ck at Helidon #	12.68m steady	03:02 PM MON 10/01/11
Flagstone Ck at Brown-Zirbels Rd *	3.49m falling	02:10 AM TUE 11/01/11
Sandy Creek at Sandy Creek Road #	2.15m falling	03:19 AM TUE 11/01/11
Ma Ma Ck at Harm's *	3.26m rising	02:30 AM TUE 11/01/11
Tenthill Ck at Tenthill *	5.57m rising	02:40 AM TUE 11/01/11
Lockyer Ck at Gatton #	18.92m rising	06:30 PM MON 10/01/11
Laidley Ck at Mulgowie *	6.39m rising	02:20 AM TUE 11/01/11
Laidley Ck at Laidley	8.7m falling slowly	10:00 PM MON 10/01/11
Laidley Ck at Showground Weir #	7.84m rising	03:25 AM TUE 11/01/11
Laidley Ck at Warrego Hwy *	6.41m rising	02:00 AM TUE 11/01/11
Lockyer Ck at Glenore Grove #	13.8m falling	03:24 AM TUE 11/01/11
Lockyer Ck at Lyons Br #	15.55m rising	03:23 AM TUE 11/01/11
Lockyer Ck at Rifle Range Rd *	15.39m rising	02:40 AM TUE 11/01/11

Lockyer Ck at O'Reilly's Weir # 18m falling 03:28 AM TUE 11/01/11
 Brisbane R at Lowood Pump Stn # 15.93m falling 03:31 AM TUE 11/01/11
 Brisbane R at Savages Crossing # 15.89m rising 03:29 AM TUE 11/01/11
 Brisbane R at Burtons Br # 12.22m rising 03:29 AM TUE 11/01/11
 Brisbane R at Kholo Br # 7.99m rising 03:29 AM TUE 11/01/11
 Brisbane R at Mt Crosby # 15.82m steady 03:30 AM TUE 11/01/11
 Brisbane R at Mt Crosby # 14.08m falling 04:39 PM MON 10/01/11
 Brisbane R at Colleges Crossing # 13.91m rising 03:32 AM TUE 11/01/11
 Bremer R at Rosewood# 5.56m falling 03:11 AM TUE 11/01/11
 Bremer R at Five Mile Br Walloon # 6.4m rising 03:15 AM TUE 11/01/11
 Warrill Ck at Greens Rd Amberley # 5.84m falling 03:29 AM TUE 11/01/11
 Bremer R at One Mile Br # 13.75m rising 03:31 AM TUE 11/01/11
 Bremer R at Hancocks Br Brassall # 11.33m rising 03:22 AM TUE 11/01/11
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 Brisbane R at Jindalee Br # 4.5m rising 03:29 AM TUE 11/01/11
 Brisbane R at City Gauge # 1.4m falling 03:15 AM TUE 11/01/11

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Dam Operations Manager

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Regards
Barry Dennien

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Based on 3700 cumecs release?

By when?

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BOM forecast 6000 plus cumecs in river 4 plus meters at port office

74 flood 5.45m

Regards

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On 11/01/2011, at 8:00 AM, "Dan Spiller" <[Daniel.Spiller](#)> wrote:

Wivenhoe Dam: 173%

Somerset Dam: 160%

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Water Grid update – 11 January 2011

Unprecedented Wivenhoe Dam releases

Significant rainfall received across catchments has caused waterways upstream of Somerset and Wivenhoe Dams to rise quickly overnight.

Wivenhoe Dam is currently at 173% and rising. Somerset Dam is at 160%.

Controlled releases through the five gates have been held at around 236,000 megalitres since early last night but will need to be increased further today. These releases will be made in consultation with the Bureau of Meteorology and local councils and aim to limit downstream impacts where possible. Note these large releases are necessary for the safe management of the dam.

Release levels will be progressively reviewed depending on rainfall across the catchments today.

Local Councils have been advised that as a result of Lockyer Creek flows, local runoff and Wivenhoe releases, Twin Bridges, Savages Crossing, Burtons Bridge, Kholo Bridge Colleges Crossing, Fernvale Bridge, and Mt Crosby Weir Bridge may be inundated until at Sunday 16 January. Residents are urged to contact local councils for detailed information on road crossing closures and other impacts.

All recreations areas around Somerset and Wivenhoe are closed, and given the dam levels and the need for safety around spillways, **we will not be able to facilitate any land-based media access to our sites today.**

While substantial amounts of water is being released into Wivenhoe from Somerset Dam, water levels in Somerset are expected to continue to rising today and areas around Kilcoy are likely to be impacted by these rising dam levels.

Five gates are open at North Pine Dam, releasing around 15,000 megalitres a day and will continue until at least Wednesday 12 January. The local Council is being kept informed regarding Youngs Crossing.

Gate releases at Leslie Harrison Dam are underway due to rainfall and inflows.

A minor release of around 1200 megalitres a day is being made through the emergency gates at Hinze Dam. There is no access to the spillway.

For detailed information on road crossing closures and other potential impacts, always contact your local council.

UPPER SOMERSET TOWNSHIPS URGED TO CONSERVE WATER

Residents in the upper Somerset townships of Kilcoy, Jimna and Linville are being urged to conserve water due to the impacts of local flooding on water infrastructure.

Water Grid spokesperson Dan Spiller said vital water infrastructure in these regions has been damaged by flood waters, cutting off the raw water supply.

"We have a limited supply in local reservoirs that is expected to last one to three days. However, we will ensure that critical supplies are maintained. In the meantime we are asking people to conserve water while we repair equipment and organise alternate supplies," he said.

The power is currently down at the main water treatment plant in Kilcoy, with flood water restricting access to rectify the situation.

In Jimna and Linville rising waters have impacted infrastructure that supports the region's supply.

Approximately 1,000 residents on town water across these three areas are impacted.

"We are asking people to restrict non-essential water use, including limiting shower times and considering alternative water supplies where possible," said Mr Spiller.

The Water Grid Manager is working closely with Emergency Management Queensland to gain access to the plants and to rectify all situations. Current demand and supply levels are being closely monitored and alternate water supplies are being considered.

"We are looking at trucking in tankers to fill the reservoirs and are also considering the supply of bottled water if necessary. Obviously we cannot truck in water while roads are closed," said Mr Spiller.

ENDS

Note to the Editor: While releases are being made from the region's water storages, routine updates will be provided.

Community Assistance: Please direct the community to contact **telephone - 1800 613 122**. This number has been established for members of the public seeking information on which dams are spilling in South East Queensland.

Members of the public seeking information on **potential impacts in their local areas** should **direct inquiries to their local councils**.

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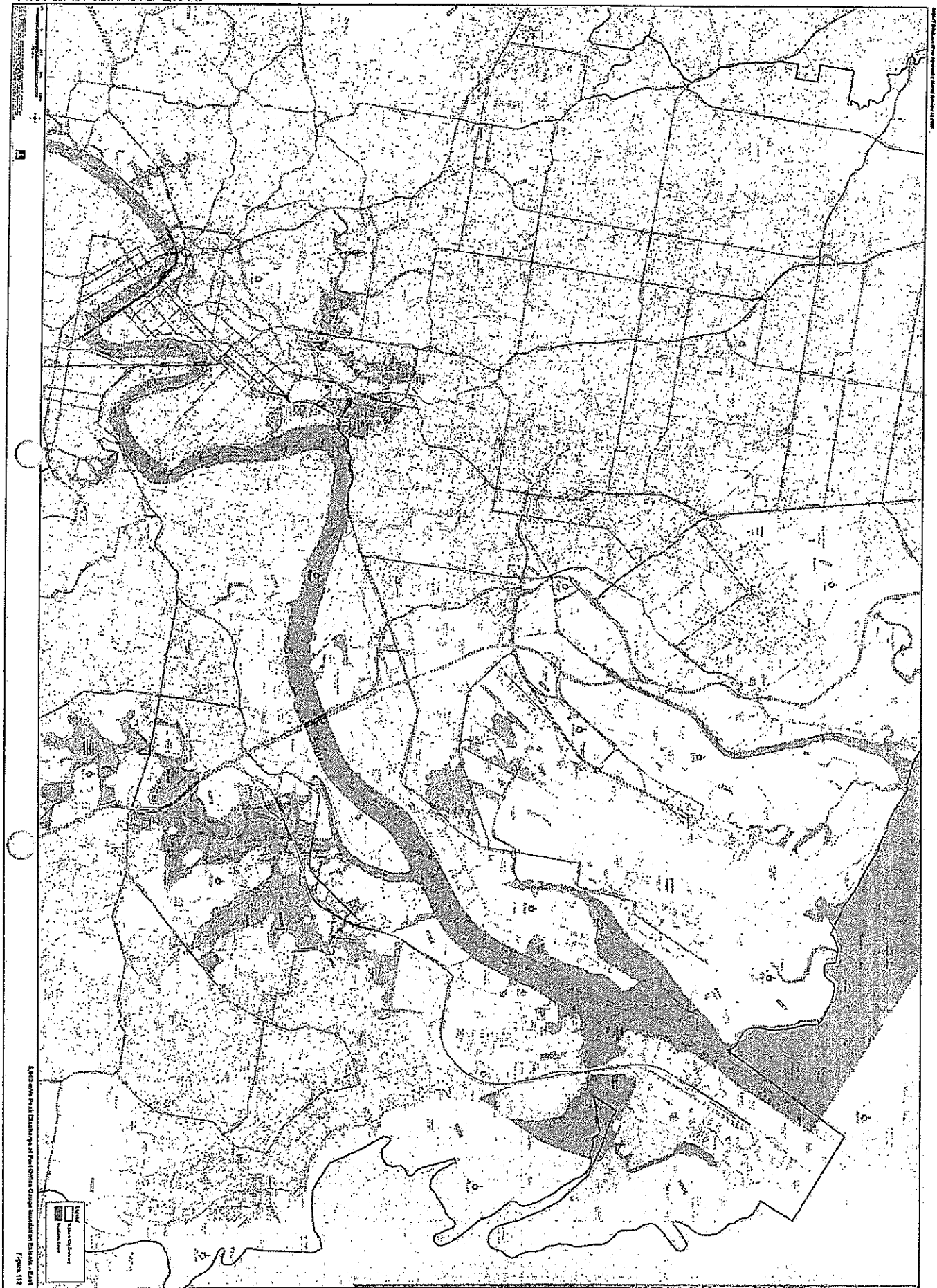
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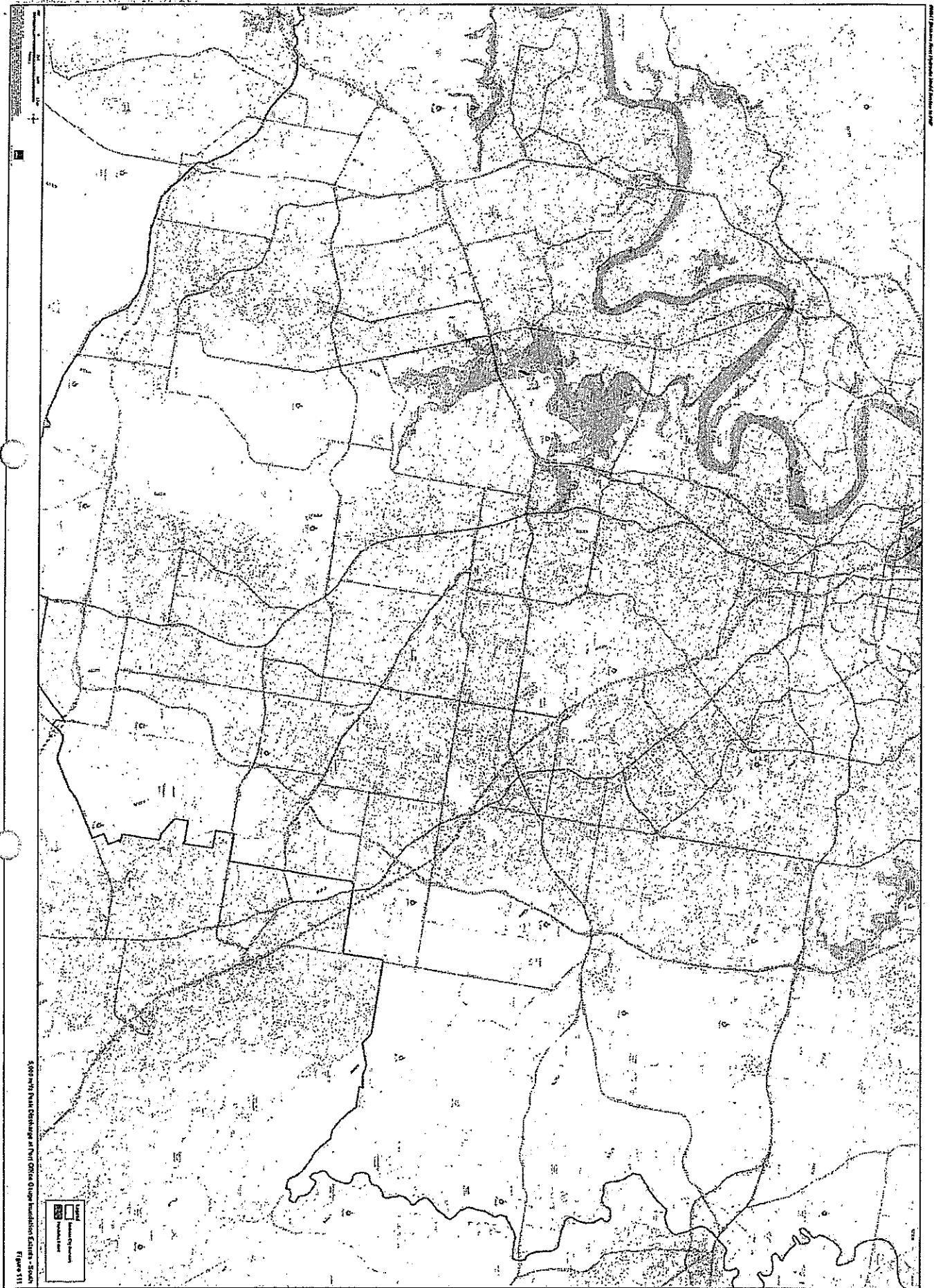
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All,

Attached is the updated Technical Situation Report.

Releases from Wivenhoe Dam have needed to be increased to 3,970 cubic metres per second. BoM is modelling based on this strategy.

Based on these releases, Wivenhoe Dam will peak at between 74.5 and 74.8m with no further inflows.

Further inflows will require further releases. Seqwater is considering worst case scenarios to provide to BoM and BCC to model impacts.

Regards,
Daniel Spiller

TECHNICAL SITUATION REPORT

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Strategy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maintain current release of 3970cumecs as long as possible but it may need to be increased Close sluices at Somerset Dam to store more water however will affect upstream areas. Current estimate of peak dam level is between EL74.5 and EL74.8 (assuming no further significant rainfall). However it is noted that rainfall is continuing across the catchment. Further rainfall in the next 3 hours will require releases to be increased in accordance with Strategy W4, page 29 of the Manual of Operational Procedures for Flood Mitigation at Wivenhoe Dam and Somerset Dam (Flood Operations Manual) 										
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Somerset Dam (Full Supply Level 99.00 m AHD)

The dam level is 103.30 AHD and rising. Peak inflow to the dam is estimated to be about 4,200 m³/s. Volume stored above FSL is 240,000ML at 163.3%

The dam level peaked at 103.52m AHD at 19:00 on Monday 10 January 2011, (unless further significant rainfall is experienced). Areas around Kilcoy will continue to be adversely affected.

Wivenhoe Dam (Full Supply Level 67.00 m AHD)

The dam level is 74.1m AHD and rising at about 25 mm/hour. Holding 930,000ML above FSL and 179.5%. Releases from the dam are currently 3,970cumec/s. Outflows into the Brisbane River from both Lockyer Creek and the Bremer River are also increasing.

At this stage it is considered that without further rainfall the dam can be kept at around 74.8m.

The aim is to prevent fuse plug initiation.

Currently the situation is being assessed every 3 hours.

If further rainfall occurs, dam releases may need to be increased further.

Outlook

Heavy rainfall continues throughout South East Queensland and the situation could deteriorate over the next 24 hours. The flood operation centre will continue to monitor the situation and provide situation reports every six hours until the situation stabilizes.

Seqwater Technical Officer name	Robert Drury
Seqwater Technical Officer position title	Dam Operations Manager

BoM assessment

(consisting of references to latest Flood Warning for the Brisbane River and other relevant Bureau forecasts and warnings (e.g. weather/rain forecasts, Tropical Cyclone Warning etc) and other updates/comments if needed)

BoM has been advised.

BoM Technical Officer name	Peter Baddiley
BoM Technical Officer position title	
BoM Technical Officer contact details	

Brisbane City Council (BCC) assessment

(to include predicted local inundation areas and depths of inundation based on the information)

Council has been advised of the current status.

BCC Technical Officer name	Chris Lavin
BCC Technical Officer position title	Disaster Operations Manager
BCC Technical Officer contact details	

Ipswich City Council (ICC) assessment (if required)

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ICC Technical Officer name	Tony Trace
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ICC Technical Officer contact details	

Somerset Regional Council (SRC) assessment (if required)

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Latest update on releases from Wivenhoe

Regards

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Somerset/Wivenhoe Dam

Our strategy revolves ensuring dam security and is around trying to prevent initiation of the first fuse plug at EL 75.6m. If this happens we will get a rapid increase of about 2,000m³/s in outflow from the dam in addition to the gate release which could be as high as 10,000m³/s at the time. Sluices have been closed at Somerset and this will result in high upstream water levels affecting Kilcoy.

Wivenhoe Dam is rising very quickly and rapid gate openings are required to manage this increase. Based on the current rate of rise, inflow rate is in excess of 12,000m³/s. The situation is being revised constantly and releases will be increased hourly until the water level starts to stabilize. It is possible that the releases will be as high as 10,000m³/s in the next few hours. Heavy rainfall continues in the catchment especially around the dam.

It should be noted that the flow in the lower Brisbane R in 1974 was about 9,500m³/s.

Travel time to Lower Brisbane River is 24 hours.

North Pine

Inflows and outflows are at record levels and increasing within inflows nearing 3,000m³/s, and is approaching an extreme event (possibly as high as 1 in 10,000 AEP)

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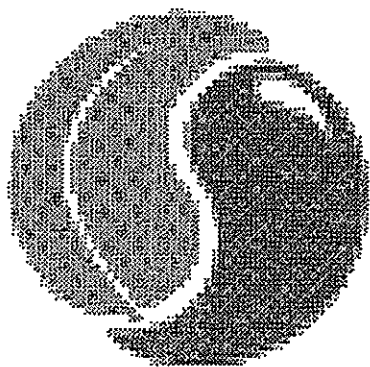
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It should be noted that the flow in the lower Brisbane R in 1974 was about 9,500m³/s.

Travel time to Lower Brisbane River is 24 hours.

North Pine

Inflows and outflows are at record levels and increasing within inflows nearing 3,000m³/s, and is approaching an extreme event (possibly as high as 1 in 10,000 AEP)

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Sent: Tuesday, 11 January 2011 4:19 PM
To: Dan Spiller; Barry Dennien
Cc: Allen Peter
Subject: Wivenhoe Releases

Hi Dan, Barry

Peter Allen has asked Seqwater to provide a concise summary of the flood release strategy. I can confirm though that they are taking into account estimated inflows over the next 24 hours and have a release strategy that addresses that scenario.

Regards

Bob

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Fiechiner; Mike Foster; Tara King; Barry Dennien; Dan Spiller; Scott Denner
Cc: Michael Lyons; ELT
Subject: Release Update

As at 6.00 pm on Tuesday 11 January, the following applies:

SOMERSET DAM:

Releases have stopped, however levels in Somerset are expected to continue rising and areas around Kilcoy are likely to be impacted.

WIVENHOE DAM:

Wivenhoe Dam is rising slowly and releasing about 576,000 megalitres per day.

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LIE HARRISON DAM:

Gate releases are underway due to rainfall and inflows.

HINZE DAM:

A minor release of around 8,000 megalitres a day is being made through the emergency gates. There is no public access to the spillway.

For detailed information on river levels, road and crossing closures and other potential impacts, always contact your local council.

This information will be updated during the evening of Tuesday 11 January.

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All,

Updated report attached.

Regards,
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At 1730 Wivenhoe Dam was 74.92m AHD holding 2,200,000ML and 190% and rising slowly and releasing about 6,700m³/s.

The current expectation is that the dam will reach a steady state (outflow equals inflow) within the next 3 hours without further significant rainfall. At this time, release from the dam will be about 8,000 m³/s.

If there is no further rainfall, it may be possible to then slowly reduce this release overnight.

The dam is expected to peak below 75.5m AHD which is 100mm below the first fuse plug initiation level.

Note that the automatic recorder as indicated on the BoM website is affected by drawdown and is not reflecting the actual lake level and tendency.

The Flood Operations Centre is continuing to monitor rainfalls and water levels through the Brisbane and Pine catchments and reviewing operating strategy every 30 minutes. The FOC is also maintaining close contact with warning agencies and local councils.

It should be noted that the flow in the lower Brisbane R in 1974 was about 9,500m³/s

North Pine Dam:

Five gates are open, and will continue until at least Wednesday 12 January.

The local Council is being kept informed regarding Youngs Crossing.

Leslie Harrison Dam:

Gate releases are underway due to rainfall and inflows.

Hinze Dam:

A release of around 86cumecs or 7396 megalitres a day is being made through the emergency gates and this will increase to around 8,000 megalitres per day by 6pm Tuesday 11 January. There is no public access to the spillway.

Wyaralong Dam

As at 5:00pm today 9,680ML/day was passing over the spillway at Wyaralong Dam. This represents a water depth of 0.59m over the spillway. The water level is continuing to rise. Wyaralong Dam Alliance will continue to monitor and advise of water levels and flows.

Seqwater Technical Officer name	Robert Drury
Seqwater Technical Officer position title	Dam Operations Manager

BoM assessment

(consisting of references to latest Flood Warning for the Brisbane River and other relevant Bureau forecasts and warnings (e.g. weather/rain forecasts, Tropical Cyclone Warning etc) and other updates/comments if needed)

BoM has been advised.

BoM Technical Officer name	Peter Baddiley
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Brisbane City Council (BCC) assessment

(to include predicted local inundation areas and depths of inundation based on the information)

Council has been advised of the current status.

BCC Technical Officer name	Chris Lavin
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Ipswich City Council (ICC) assessment (if required)
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TECHNICAL SITUATION REPORT

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Attached is the latest Technical Report.

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BoM assessment

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BoM has been advised.

BoM Technical Officer name	Peter Baddiley
BoM Technical Officer position title	
BoM Technical Officer contact details	flood.qld

Brisbane City Council (BCC) assessment

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Council has been advised of the current strategy

BCC Technical Officer name	Chris Lavin
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BCC Technical Officer position title	Disaster Operations Manager
BCC Technical Officer contact details	

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Council has been advised of the current strategy.

ICC Technical Officer name	Tony Trace
ICC Technical Officer position title	Local Disaster Response Coordinator
ICC Technical Officer contact details	

Somerset Regional Council (SRC) assessment (if required)
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SRC Technical Officer position title	Local Disaster Response Coordinator
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Seqwater status of inflows and dam operations

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Key considerations	Storage levels: Above FSL
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At 2000 Wivenhoe Dam was 74.97m AHD holding 2,227,000ML and 191.1% and steady and releasing about 7,500m³/s.

The levels have stayed the same for an hour so there are no planned increases in releases.

As soon as the levels show they are dropping, releases will be reduced.

The dam is now expected to peak around 74.97m AHD which is around 600mm below the first fuse plug initiation level.

The Flood Operations Centre is continuing to monitor rainfalls and water levels through the Brisbane and Pine catchments and reviewing operating strategy every 30 minutes. The FOC is also maintaining close contact with warning agencies and local councils.

It should be noted that the flow in the lower Brisbane R in 1974 was about 9,500m³/s

North Pine Dam:

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The local Council is being kept informed regarding Youngs Crossing.

Leslie Harrison Dam:

Gate releases are underway due to rainfall and inflows.

Hinze Dam:

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Wyalong Dam

As at 5:00pm today 9,680ML/day was passing over the spillway at Wyalong Dam. This represents a water depth of 0.59m over the spillway. The water level is continuing to rise. Wyalong Dam Alliance will continue to monitor and advise of water levels and flows.

Seqwater Technical Officer name	Robert Drury
Seqwater Technical Officer position title	Dam Operations Manager

BoM assessment

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BCC Technical Officer contact details	[REDACTED]

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Seqwater status of inflows and dam operations

Current status but could change based on inflows or rainfall.

Current objectives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Initiate the gradual reduction of releases.
Strategy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Peak inflows into Wivenhoe were in excess of 12000 cumecs. Maintain controlled releases. Keep sluices closed at Somerset Dam to store more water however will affect upstream areas.
Key considerations	Storage levels: Above FSL
	Inflows: Inflows expected well over 1,500,000ML.
	Rainfall: Continuing
	Lockyer/Bremer: Monitoring their inflows
	Brisbane River: Impact as below.

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Sluices have been closed at Somerset and this will result in high upstream water levels affecting Kilcoy. Somerset is at 104.78m holding 697,400ML and 183.6%.

Somerset should peak at around 105.2m (1974 peak level was 106.5m).

At 2100 Wivenhoe Dam was 74.95m AHD holding 2,223,000ML and 190.8% and slowly dropping.

The levels have now stabilized and commenced to fall slowly.

The FOC has begun an appropriate closure sequence to reduce releases. Releases will be reduced slowly throughout the night to track dropping levels. First reduction will be to around 7,100cumecs.

Assuming no further rain, the dam has now peaked around 74.97m AHD which was around 600mm below the first fuse plug initiation level.

The Flood Operations Centre is continuing to monitor rainfalls and water levels through the Brisbane and Pine catchments and reviewing operating strategy every 30 minutes. The FOC is also maintaining close contact with warning agencies and local councils.

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ICC Technical Officer position title

Local Disaster Response Coordinator

ICC Technical Officer contact details

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Local Disaster Response Coordinator

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Rob Drury

Contact Officer position title

Dam Operations Manager

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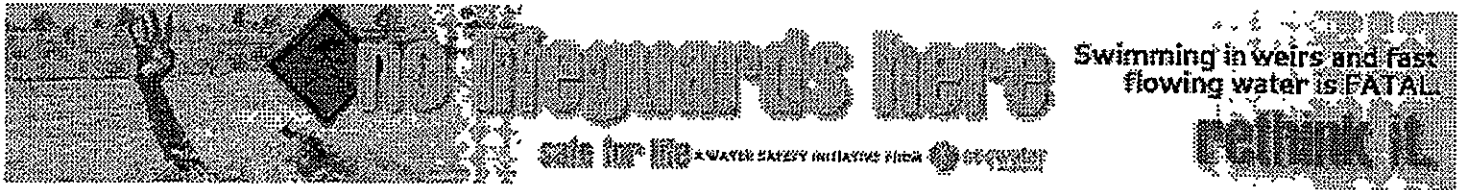
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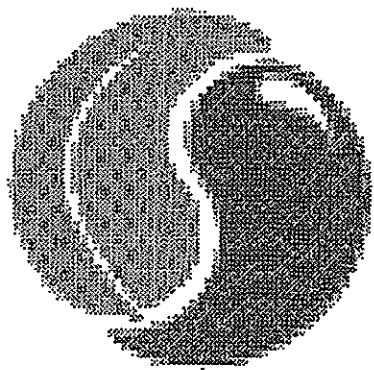
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At 2000 Wivenhoe Dam was 74.97m AHD holding 2,227,000ML and 191.1% and steady and releasing about 7,500m³/s.

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The Flood Operations Centre is continuing to monitor rainfalls and water levels through the Brisbane and Pine catchments and reviewing operating strategy every 30 minutes. The FOC is also maintaining close contact with warning agencies and local councils.

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Wyaralong Dam

As at 5:00pm today 9,680ML/day was passing over the spillway at Wyaralong Dam. This represents a water depth of 0.59m over the spillway. The water level is continuing to rise. Wyaralong Dam Alliance will continue to monitor and advise of water levels and flows.

Seqwater Technical Officer name

Robert Drury

Seqwater Technical Officer position title

Dam Operations Manager

BoM assessment

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Peter Baddiley

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BoM Technical Officer contact details

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Local Disaster Response Coordinator

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Sent: Tuesday, January 11, 2011 8:31 PM
To: Dan Spiller <Daniel.Spiller [REDACTED]>
Subject: RE: Technical Report

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Paula Weston; tjacobs [REDACTED]; Arminda Roberts; Bec Middlemiss; Michael
Fiechtner; Mike Foster; Tara King; Barry Dennien; Dan Spiller; Scott Denner
Cc: Michael Lyons; ELT
Subject: Release Update

As at 8.30 pm on Tuesday 11 January, the following applies:

SOMERSET DAM:

Releases have stopped, however levels in Somerset are expected to continue rising and areas around Kilcoy are likely to be impacted.

WIVENHOE DAM:

Wivenhoe Dam is currently releasing about 654,000 megalitres per day.

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NORTH PINE DAM:

Five gates are open, and will continue until at least Wednesday 12 January.

The local Council is being kept informed regarding Youngs Crossing.

LESLIE HARRISON DAM:

Gate releases are underway due to rainfall and inflows.

SIZE DAM:

A minor release of around 8,000 megalitres a day is being made through the emergency gates. There is no public access to the spillway.

For detailed information on river levels, road and crossing closures and other potential impacts, always contact your local council.

This information will be updated in the event of a significant change.

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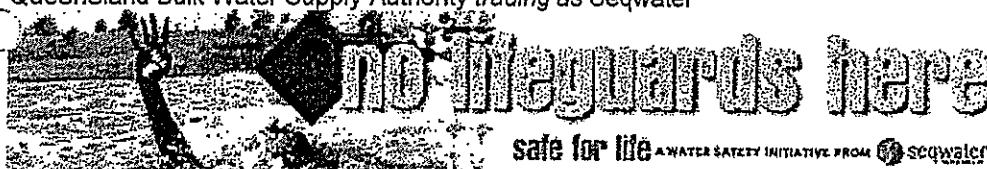
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Updated report.

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Sorry, I meant release rates. You note the closure sequence, but not from what.

On 11/01/2011, at 9:31 PM, "Rob Drury" <rdrury@seqwater.com.au> wrote:

Sure,

I had the volumes of the dams in there, which volumes did you mean?

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Rob,

We will distribute this version widely. Can you pls update to state volumes?

Dan

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Sent: Tuesday, 11 January 2011 10:07 PM
To: Rob Drury; Dan Spiller; Paul Bird; Stan Stevenson; Peter Borrows;
Peter.Allen@seqwater.com.au
Cc: David Roberts
Subject: RE: Technical Report
Attachments: Technical Situation Report W45.docx

Attached report W45.

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BoM Technical Officer contact details	flood.qld [REDACTED]

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Cc: Rob Drury (rdrury [REDACTED]); Barry Dennien; Peter Borrows; SEQWGM Media; SEQWGM Emergency; Madgwick.DarrenT [REDACTED]
Subject: Wivenhoe Dam update
Attachments: Technical Situation Report W44.docx
Categories: T8

All,

Attached is the most recent technical situation report.

Note that Wivenhoe Dam levels have stabilised and are now falling slowly. Without further rainfall, release rates will be reduced progressively. The first reduction will be to 7,100 cubic metres per second.

Regards,
Daniel Spiller

TECHNICAL SITUATION REPORT

TSR Number	W44	Date of TSR release	11.1.2011	Time of TSR release	8pm
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The levels have now stabilized and commenced to fall slowly.

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GSTUBBS [REDACTED]; Kathy Petrik; lisa.m.martin [REDACTED];
Paula Weston; tjacobs [REDACTED]; Arminda Roberts; Bec Middlemiss; Michael
Fiechtner; Mike Foster; Tara King; Barry Dennien; Dan Spiller; Scott Denner
Cc: Michael Lyons; ELT
Subject: Release Update

For detailed information on river levels, road and crossing closures and other potential impacts, always contact your local council.

As at 10.30 pm on Tuesday 11 January, the following applies:

SOMERSET DAM:

Releases have stopped, however levels in Somerset are expected to continue rising and areas around Kilcoy are likely to be impacted.

OVENHOE DAM:

The Flood Operations Centre has begun an appropriate closure sequence to reduce releases.

Releases will be reduced slowly throughout the night to track dropping levels. First reduction has been to around 610,000 megalitres per day.

The Flood Operations Centre is continuing to monitor rainfalls and water levels through the Brisbane and Pine catchments and reviewing operating strategy every 30 minutes.

The Centre is also maintaining close contact with warning agencies and local councils.

NORTH PINE DAM:

Five gates are open, and will continue until at least Wednesday 12 January.

The local Council is being kept informed regarding Youngs Crossing.

ESLIE HARRISON DAM:

Releases are underway due to rainfall and inflows.

HINZE DAM:

A minor release of around 8,000 megalitres a day is being made through the emergency gates. There is no public access to the spillway.

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This information will be updated in the event of a significant change.

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From: Dan Spiller
Sent: Tuesday, 11 January 2011 10:48 PM
To: Bradley John
Cc: Barry Dennien
Subject: RE: Wivenhow Dam update

It warrants a discussion. On phone when suits you.

From: Bradley John [John.Bradley [REDACTED]]
Sent: Tuesday, 11 January 2011 10:44 PM
To: Dan Spiller
Cc: Barry Dennien
Subject: Re: Wivenhow Dam update

Thanks Dan

As an aside, I think we need to try to maintain the protocol on these through these most serious of events - I notice itreps lately have had no comment from bom/councils or just "has been advised".

Wouldn't bear much scrutiny in an ex post review, noting recipients (Min, DsG, etc)

Happy to take your and barry's advice as to how this can be achieved.

John B

From: Dan Spiller [mailto:Daniel.Spiller [REDACTED]]
Sent: Tuesday, January 11, 2011 10:18 PM
To: stephen.robertson [REDACTED] <stephen.robertson [REDACTED]>; Lance McCallum (lance.mccallum [REDACTED]) <lance.mccallum [REDACTED]>; Tim Watts (tim.watts [REDACTED]) <tim.watts [REDACTED]>; Geoff Stead (geoff.stead [REDACTED]) <geoff.stead [REDACTED]>; lauren.sims [REDACTED] <lauren.sims [REDACTED]>; Bradley John; Best Debbie; Martin.Peter [REDACTED] <Martin.Peter [REDACTED]>; Dunn.KerryG [REDACTED] <Dunn.KerryG [REDACTED]>; Ken Smith (ken.smith [REDACTED]) <ken.smith [REDACTED]>
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Cc: Barry Dennien; 'pborrows'; 'Rob Drury'; SEQWGM Media; SEQWGM Emergency; 'bob.reilly'; 'Damien Brown (damien.brown)'; 'Madgwick.DarrenT';
Subject: Updated Wivenhoe Dam releases
Attachments: image001.jpg; image002.png; Technical Situation Report W46.docx

All,

Updated report attached.

At 2300, Wivenhoe Dam was at 74.92m AHD (190.4%) and holding.

The Flood Operations Centre has commenced a closure sequence. At 2330, releases will be reduced to 6,100 cubic metres per second.

The centre will continue to monitor rainfall and inflows and adjust as necessary.

With releases having peaked, the next report will be provided at 0500.

Regards,
Dan

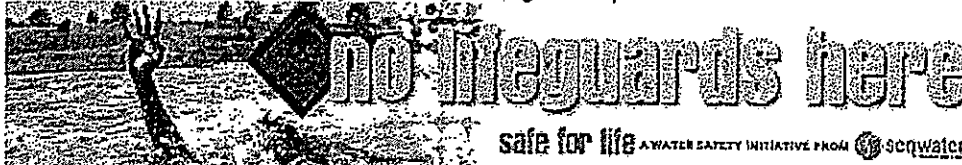
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Somerset/Wivenhoe

Somerset Dam has peaked at 105.11 m AHD at 08:00 on 12 January 2011 and the dam is discharging 1,230 m³/s over the spillway. Sluice gates will be utilised to assist the draining of the flood storage compartment commencing later Wednesday. At 8am Somerset was 105.11m and 720,400ML at 189.7%.

Wivenhoe Dam peaked at 74.97 m AHD at 19:00 on 11 January 2011 with a corresponding discharge of 7,450 m³/s. Wivenhoe Dam was 74.75 m AHD at 2,192,000ML and 188.1% at 07:30 and generally falling slowly.

The releases from Wivenhoe Dam have been temporarily reduced to 2,500 m³/s at 07:30 to allow the peak of Lockyer Creek to enter the Brisbane River. After the downstream peak in the lower Brisbane River has passed, releases will be increased to maximum of 3,500 m³/s. This release will then be maintained to drain the flood storage component within the required 7 days.

The combined flood event volume in Somerset and Wivenhoe Dams is estimated to be in excess of 2 million megalitres.

North Pine

At 07:00 North Pine Dam was 39.78 mAHD falling and releasing about 105 m³/s. North Pine has

peaked at 41.11 mAHD at 14:00 on 11 January 1974 with peak release of 2,800 m3/s. The event has a volume of around 200,000 ML. It is expected that gates will be close later Wednesday or early Thursday

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BoM has been advised.

BoM Technical Officer name	Peter Baddiley
BoM Technical Officer position title	
BoM Technical Officer contact details	flood.qld

Brisbane City Council (BCC) assessment

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BCC Technical Officer position title	Disaster Operations Manager
BCC Technical Officer contact details	

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Sent: Tuesday, January 11, 2011 11:49 PM
To: 'ceo@[REDACTED]>
Cc: Barry Dennien <Barry.Dennien@[REDACTED]>
'john.bradley@[REDACTED]>
Subject: Dam release update

Colin,

A quick update on dam operations. I understand that the Flood Operations Centre has been speaking to your staff directly.

At 2300, Wivenhoe Dam was at 74.92m AHD (190.4%) and holding. Somerset is at 105.2m AHD (185.8%).

The Flood Operations Centre has commenced a closure sequence. At 2330, releases will be reduced to 6,100 cubic metres per second.

The centre will continue to monitor rainfall and inflows and adjust as necessary.

Please call on mobile if you have any queries.

Regards,
Dan

Cindy Mulsey

From: Barry Dennien
Sent: Monday, 10 January 2011 4:11 PM
To: Peter Baddiley (p.baddiley@seq.com.au)
Cc: Dan Spiller
Subject: Tech report
Attachments: Technical Situation Report W37.docx

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Strategy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All bridges are now inundated . Ramp up to 2800cumecs which will give a flow in the lower Brisbane River of around 4,000cumecs 										
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Rainfall

Significant rainfall has fallen in the Wivenhoe Dam catchment over the last 3 hours, with falls exceeding 100mm. This rainfall will significantly increase inflows into the dam. A severe weather warning remains current for heavy rainfall in the dam catchment areas. The QPF issued by BOM at 10:00 estimates rainfalls for the 24 hours to 10:00 Tuesday as North Pine Dam (75mm to 150mm); Wivenhoe/Somerset Dam Catchments (50mm – 100mm). Potentially significant rain moving towards the dam catchments is currently evident on the BOM radar.

Somerset Dam (Full Supply Level 99.00 m AHD)

The dam level is 103.41m AHD and rising. Peak inflow to the dam is estimated to be about 4,200 m³/s. Five sluice gates are open releasing about 1,100m³/s (95,000ML/day) into Wivenhoe Dam. At this stage the dam lake level will reach about 103.5m AHD on Monday afternoon. Areas around Kilcoy will continue to be adversely affected.

Wivenhoe Dam (Full Supply Level 67.00 m AHD)

The dam level is 72.41m AHD and rising quickly. The rainfall experienced over the last 2 to 3 hours will result in significant further inflows into the dam and releases from the dam will need to be increased in accordance with Flood Mitigation procedures and to ensure that a fuse plug is not initiated. The initiation of a fuse plug will result in a rapid uncontrolled outflow from the dam of 2,000m³/s being added to the gate release outflow. Outflows into the Brisbane River from both Lockyer Creek and the Bremer River are also increasing.

Five radial gates are currently open at the dam releasing about 2,000m³/s into the Brisbane River and

this will need to be increased steadily to an outflow of 2,800m³/s over the next 9 hours (commencing at 1500). At this stage, the dam will reach about 73.8m AHD during Tuesday morning.

The objective for dam operations is currently to minimise the impact of urban flooding in areas downstream of the dam and to keep river flows in the lower Brisbane River below 4,000m³/s if possible. This is significantly less than the current estimated combined pre-dam peak inflow of 12,000m³/s. If further rainfall occurs, dam releases may need to be increased further and this may result in river flows in the lower Brisbane River approaching or exceeding 5,000m³/s.

Impacts downstream of Wivenhoe Dam

The projected Wivenhoe Dam releases combined with Lockyer Creek flows and local runoff will mean that all crossings downstream of Wivenhoe (Twin Bridges, Fernvale, Savages Crossing, Burtons Bridge, Kholo Bridge, Mt Crosby Weir and Colleges Crossing) will be adversely impacted until at least Sunday 16 January in varying degrees.

Water levels in the lower Brisbane River will be impacted by the combined flows of Lockyer Creek, Bremer River, local runoff and releases from Wivenhoe Dam.

Outlook

Heavy rainfall continues throughout South East Queensland and the situation could deteriorate rapidly over the next 24 hours. The flood operation centre will continue to monitor the situation and provide every six hours until the situation stabilizes.

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Seqwater Technical Officer position title	Dam Operations Manager

BoM assessment

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BoM has been advised.

BoM Technical Officer name	Peter Baddiley
BoM Technical Officer position title	
BoM Technical Officer contact details	flood.qld

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Litsupport Brisbane

From: Dan Spiller
Sent: Tuesday, 11 January 2011 10:48 PM
To: Bradley John
Cc: Barry Dennien
Subject: RE: Wivenhow Dam update

It warrants a discussion. On phone when suits you.

From: Bradley John [John.Bradley@...]
Sent: Tuesday, 11 January 2011 10:44 PM
To: Dan Spiller
Cc: Barry Dennien
Subject: Re: Wivenhow Dam update

Thanks Dan

As an aside, I think we need to try to maintain the protocol on these through these most serious of events - I notice sitreps lately have had no comment from bom/councils or just "has been advised".

Wouldn't bear much scrutiny in an ex post review, noting recipients (Min, DsG, etc)

Happy to take your and barry's advice as to how this can be achieved.

John B

From: Dan Spiller [mailto:Daniel.Spiller@...]
Sent: Tuesday, January 11, 2011 10:18 PM
To: stephen.robertson@... <stephen.robertson@...>; Lance McCallum (lance.mccallum@... <lance.mccallum@...>; Tim Watts (tim.watts@... <tim.watts@...>; Geoff Stead (geoff.stead@... <geoff.stead@...>; lauren.sims@... <lauren.sims@...>; Bradley John; Best Debbie; Martin.PeterJ@... <Martin.PeterJ@...>; Dunn.KerryG@... <Dunn.KerryG@...>; Ken Smith (ken.smith@... <ken.smith@...>; Rob Drury (rdrury@... <rdrury@...>; Dennien Barry@... <pborrow@...>; Media@...; SEQWGM Emergency <SEQWGM.Emergency@...>; Madgwick.DarrenT@... <Madgwick.DarrenT@...>
Subject: Wivenhow Dam update

All,

Attached is the most recent technical situation report.

Note that Wivenhoe Dam levels have stabilised and are now falling slowly. Without further rainfall, release rates will be reduced progressively. The first reduction will be to 7,100 cubic metres per second.

Regards,
Daniel Spiller

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Cc: Barry Dennien; 'pborrows'; 'Rob Drury'; SEQWGM Media; SEQWGM Emergency; 'bob.reilly'; 'Damien Brown (damien.brown)'; 'Madgwick.DarrenT'
Subject: Updated Wivenhoe Dam releases
Attachments: image001.jpg; image002.png; Technical Situation Report W46.docx

All,

Updated report attached.

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The centre will continue to monitor rainfall and inflows and adjust as necessary.

With releases having peaked, the next report will be provided at 0500.

Regards,
Dan

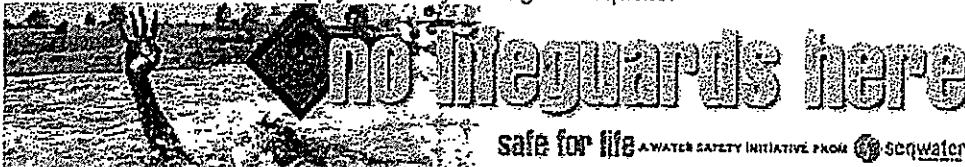
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No significant rain has fallen over the catchments in the past twelve hours. Less than 10 to 15 millimeters of rainfall is expected over the next 24-48 hours.

Somerset/Wivenhoe

Somerset Dam has peaked at 105.11 m AHD at 08:00 on 12 January 2011 and the dam is discharging 1,230 m³/s over the spillway. Sluice gates will be utilised to assist the draining of the flood storage compartment commencing later Wednesday. At 8am Somerset was 105.11m and 720,400ML at 189.7%.

Wivenhoe Dam peaked at 74.97 m AHD at 19:00 on 11 January 2011 with a corresponding discharge of 7,450 m³/s. Wivenhoe Dam was 74.75 m AHD at 2,192,000ML and 188.1% at 07:30 and generally falling slowly.

The releases from Wivenhoe Dam have been temporarily reduced to 2,500 m³/s at 07:30 to allow the peak of Lockyer Creek to enter the Brisbane River. After the downstream peak in the lower Brisbane River has passed, releases will be increased to maximum of 3,500 m³/s. This release will then be maintained to drain the flood storage component within the required 7 days.

The combined flood event volume in Somerset and Wivenhoe Dams is estimated to be in excess of 2 million megalitres.

North Pine

At 07:00 North Pine Dam was 39.78 mAHD falling and releasing about 105 m³/s. North Pine has

peaked at 41.11 mAHd at 14:00 on 11 January 1974 with peak release of 2,800 m3/s. The event has a volume of around 200,000 ML. It is expected that gates will be close later Wednesday or early Thursday

Strategy

The Flood Operations Centre is continuing to monitor rainfalls and water levels through the Brisbane and Pine catchments and reviewing operating strategy every 30 minutes. The FOC is maintaining close contact with warning agencies and local councils.

Leslie Harrison Dam:

Gate releases are underway due to rainfall and inflows.

Hinze Dam:

A release of around 8,000 megalitres a day is being made through the emergency gates. There is no public access to the spillway.

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Segwater Technical Officer position title	Dam Operations Manager

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To: 'ceo@[REDACTED]>
Cc: Barry Dennien <Barry.Dennien@[REDACTED]>
'john.bradley@[REDACTED]>
Subject: Dam release update

Colin,

A quick update on dam operations. I understand that the Flood Operations Centre has been speaking to your staff directly.

At 2300, Wivenhoe Dam was at 74.92m AHD (190.4%) and holding. Somerset is at 105.2m AHD (185.8%).

The Flood Operations Centre has commenced a closure sequence. At 2330, releases will be reduced to 6,100 cubic metres per second.

The centre will continue to monitor rainfall and inflows and adjust as necessary.

Please call on mobile if you have any queries.

Regards,
Dan

Cindy Mulsey

From: Barry Dennien
Sent: Monday, 10 January 2011 4:11 PM
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To: Barry Dennien; Dan Spiller
Cc: Peter Borrows
Subject: FW: FLDWARN for Lower Brisbane and Bremer Rs [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]

Attached is the BoM warning re levels that they develop in discussion with our FOC re releases and models and then they discuss with BCC.

This is what they then provide to everyone.

Rob

Robert Drury
Dam Operations Manager
Water Delivery
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PRIORITY

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The Bremer River at Ipswich is expected to reach about 12.7 metres on Tuesday afternoon. Higher levels are possible.

WARRILL CREEK

Further rainfall during Monday will lead to increasing river levels along Warrill Creek with levels expected to reach above 6 metres at Amberley overnight.

MIDDLE AND LOWER BRISBANE:

SEQwater advises releases from Wivenhoe Dam will increase during Monday. Moderate flooding is expected at Savages Crossing and at Mt Crosby Weir overnight tonight and during Tuesday.

The Brisbane River at the City Gauge (lower end of Edward Street and at Thornton Street) is expected to reach about 2.1 metres with the afternoon high tide on Tuesday and reach about 3 metres with the high tides on Wednesday causing moderate flooding.

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Predicted River Heights/Flows:

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Next Issue:

The next warning will be issued at about 9pm Monday.

Latest River Heights:

Lockyer Ck at Gatton #	10.36m steady	03:04 PM MON 10/01/11
Laidley Ck at Laidley	6m rising	02:45 PM MON 10/01/11
Laidley Ck at Showground Weir #	6.98m rising	03:07 PM MON 10/01/11
Laidley Ck at Warrego Hwy *	5.43m falling	01:00 PM MON 10/01/11
Lockyer Ck at Glenore Grove #	11.36m falling	03:05 PM MON 10/01/11
Lockyer Ck at Lyons Br #	14.79m rising	03:02 PM MON 10/01/11
Lockyer Ck at Rifle Range Rd *	13.4m rising	08:20 AM MON 10/01/11
Brisbane R at Lowood Pump Stn #	14.13m falling	03:07 PM MON 10/01/11
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Brisbane R at Burtons Br #	10.88m rising	03:05 PM MON 10/01/11
Brisbane R at Kholo Br #	6.23m rising	03:06 PM MON 10/01/11
Brisbane R at Mt Crosby #	14.26m rising	03:07 PM MON 10/01/11
Brisbane R at Colleges Crossing #	11.96m rising	03:09 PM MON 10/01/11
Bremer R at Spicers Br #	5.07m rising	03:09 PM MON 10/01/11
Bremer R at Rosewood #	4.94m rising	03:02 PM MON 10/01/11
Bremer R at Five Mile Br Walloon #	5.12m falling	03:09 PM MON 10/01/11
Warrill Ck at Harrisville #	3.82m rising	03:05 PM MON 10/01/11
Warrill Ck at Amberley DNR *	5.34m rising	08:10 AM MON 10/01/11
Bremer R at Ipswich #	6.6m rising	02:40 PM MON 10/01/11
Brisbane R at Moggill #	5.52m rising	02:59 PM MON 10/01/11
Brisbane R at Jindalee Br #	3.7m rising	02:50 PM MON 10/01/11
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*automatic station.

Warnings and River Height Bulletins are available at
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BOM additions as at 4:30pm Monday.

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Martin.Peter [REDACTED]
Cc: Dan Spiller; debbie.best [REDACTED]
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Folks

Please find latest Technical report on Wivenhoe releases, BOM forecast of river heights accounting for the releases and downstream flows, and BCC flood maps accounting for the releases and downstream flows. Brisbane forecasts of properties impacted.

Further updates will be issued tomorrow morning.

Australian Government Bureau of Meteorology Queensland

PRIORITY

FLOOD WARNING FOR THE LOCKYER, BREMER, WARRILL AND BRISBANE RIVER BELOW WIVENHOE INCLUDING BRISBANE CITY Issued at 4:16 PM on Monday the 10th of January 2011 by the Bureau of Meteorology, Brisbane.

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LOCKYER CREEK:

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TECHNICAL SITUATION REPORT

TSR Number	W37	Date of TSR release	10.1.2011	Time of TSR release	3pm
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Seqwater status of inflows and dam operations

Current status but could change based on inflows or rainfall.

Current objectives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continue increasing releases to discharge flood waters but keep impact downstream to minimum. 										
Strategy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All bridges are now inundated . Ramp up to 2800cumecs which will give a flow in the lower Brisbane River of around 4,000cumecs 										
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Rainfall

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Somerset Dam (Full Supply Level 99.00 m AHD)

The dam level is 103.41m AHD and rising. Peak inflow to the dam is estimated to be about 4,200 m3/s. Five sluice gates are open releasing about 1,100m3/s (95,000ML/day) into Wivenhoe Dam. At this stage the dam lake level will reach about 103.5m AHD on Monday afternoon. Areas around Kilcoy will continue to be adversely affected.

Wivenhoe Dam (Full Supply Level 67.00 m AHD)

The dam level is 72.41m AHD and rising quickly. The rainfall experienced over the last 2 to 3 hours will result in significant further inflows into the dam and releases from the dam will need to be increased in accordance with Flood Mitigation procedures and to ensure that a fuse plug is not initiated. The initiation of a fuse plug will result in a rapid uncontrolled outflow from the dam of 2,000m3/s being added to the gate release outflow. Outflows into the Brisbane River from both Lockyer Creek and the Bremer River are also increasing.

Five radial gates are currently open at the dam releasing about 2,000m3/s into the Brisbane River and

this will need to be increased steadily to an outflow of 2,800m³/s over the next 9 hours (commencing at 1500). At this stage, the dam will reach about 73.8m AHD during Tuesday morning.

The objective for dam operations is currently to minimise the impact of urban flooding in areas downstream of the dam and to keep river flows in the lower Brisbane River below 4,000m³/s if possible. This is significantly less than the current estimated combined pre-dam peak inflow of 12,000m³/s. If further rainfall occurs, dam releases may need to be increased further and this may result in river flows in the lower Brisbane River approaching or exceeding 5,000m³/s.

Impacts downstream of Wivenhoe Dam

The projected Wivenhoe Dam releases combined with Lockyer Creek flows and local runoff will mean that all crossings downstream of Wivenhoe (Twin Bridges, Fernvale, Savages Crossing, Burtons Bridge, Kholo Bridge, Mt Crosby Weir and Colleges Crossing) will be adversely impacted until at least Sunday 16 January in varying degrees.

Water levels in the lower Brisbane River will be impacted by the combined flows of Lockyer Creek, Bremer River, local runoff and releases from Wivenhoe Dam.

Outlook

Heavy rainfall continues throughout South East Queensland and the situation could deteriorate rapidly over the next 24 hours. The flood operation centre will continue to monitor the situation and provide every six hours until the situation stabilizes.

Seqwater Technical Officer name	Robert Drury
Seqwater Technical Officer position title	Dam Operations Manager

BoM assessment

(consisting of references to latest Flood Warning for the Brisbane River and other relevant Bureau forecasts and warnings (e.g. weather/rain forecasts, Tropical Cyclone Warning etc) and other updates/comments if needed)

BoM has been advised.

BoM Technical Officer name	Peter Baddiley
BoM Technical Officer position title	
BoM Technical Officer contact details	flood.qld

Brisbane City Council (BCC) assessment

(to include predicted local inundation areas and depths of inundation based on the information)

Council has been advised of the current status.

BCC Technical Officer name	Chris Lavin
BCC Technical Officer position title	Disaster Operations Manager
BCC Technical Officer contact details	

Ipswich City Council (ICC) assessment (if required)
(to include predicted local inundation areas and depths of inundation based on the information)

Council has been advised of the current status.

ICC Technical Officer name	Tony Trace
ICC Technical Officer position title	Local Disaster Response Coordinator
ICC Technical Officer contact details	

Somerset Regional Council (SRC) assessment (if required)
(to include predicted local inundation areas and depths of inundation based on the information)

Council has been advised of the current status.

SRC Technical Officer name	Tony Jacobs
SRC Technical Officer position title	Local Disaster Response Coordinator
SRC Technical Officer contact details	

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Contact Officer signature	
Contact Officer name	Rob Drury
Contact Officer position title	Dam Operations Manager

Next TSR due	11.1.2011			Change in strategy
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Gina O'Driscoll

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Fiechtner; Mike Foster; Tara King; Barry Dennien; Dan Spiller; Scott Denner
Cc: ELT; Michael Lyons; Geoff.Stead [REDACTED]
Subject: Release update
Attachments: image001.jpg; image004.jpg

As at 7.00 pm on Monday 10 January, the following applies:

SOMERSET DAM:

As a result of rainfall and inflows, water is being released into Wivenhoe through five sluice gates at about 146,000 megalitres per day, reducing to 103,000 megalitres per day by late Tuesday 11 January, and is likely to continue until Thursday 13 January. Areas around Kilcoy are likely to be impacted as a result of the rising dam levels.

WIVENHOE DAM:

Stream levels are rising quickly as a result of significant heavy rainfall. The objective for dam operations will be to minimise the impact of urban flooding in areas downstream of the dam.

Gate Releases are being increased to 240,000 megalitres a day are underway and are to continue until at least Sunday 16 January.

Local Councils have been advised that as a result of Lockyer Creek flows, local runoff and Wivenhoe releases, Twin Bridges, Savages Crossing, Burtons Bridge, Kholo Bridge Colleges Crossing, Fernvale Bridge, and Mt Crosby Weir Bridge may be inundated until at least the weekend.

NORTH PINE DAM:

Five gates are open, releasing around 31,000 megalitres a day and will continue until at least Wednesday 12 January.

The local Council is being kept informed regarding Youngs Crossing.

LESLIE HARRISON DAM:

Gate releases are underway due to rainfall and inflows.

HINZE DAM:

A minor release of around 1200 megalitres a day is being made through the emergency gates. There is no public access to the spillway.

For detailed information on road crossing closures and other potential impacts, always contact your local council.

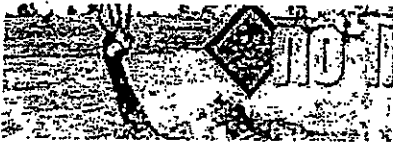
This information will be updated on the morning of Tuesday 11 January.

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From: Rob Drury [rdrury [REDACTED]]
Sent: Tuesday, 11 January 2011 6:18 AM
To: Dan Spiller
Cc: Barry Dennien; Peter Borrows; Paul Bird; Michael Lyons
Subject: RE: Impact of Lockyer flows
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Dan,

I will send a report shortly but below are words I was going to send. I have also attached the BoM warning for the Lockyer that they sent this morning.

They are reissuing their warning this morning based on new information.

Basically the FOC was going to try to slow our releases last night to give a small window for the Lockyer flood to go through however we again received and are still receiving heavy rain in the catchments.

Currently the FOC has shut some sluices at Somerset to store more water to keep Wivenhoe below RL74 at which we need to start increasing releases. The first fuse plug goes at about RL 75.7m.

The strategy is now to keep releases as is to not worsen the situation downstream as the Lockyer recorded levels higher than any on record. However we may still need to increase releases depending on what happens through the day.

The FOC have given our release strategy (not really different in releases at this stage) to the BoM and they will reissue their flood warnings based on that and other flows in the Lockyer and Bremer.

The FOC have spoken to BCC and ICC and we will send them an update. BCC are having a LDMG meeting this morning. Dan, not sure if anyone from the WGM is going but Chris Lavin is the contact.

Rob

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PRIORITY

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LOCKYER CREEK:

Extremely heavy rainfall during Monday led to extreme rises in the Lockyer Creek catchment and Laidley Creek at Mulgowie. Record flood levels of 18.92 metres were recorded at Gatton Monday evening before the station failed. This level was well above the previous record peak of 16.33 metres from the February 1893 flood.

The main flood waters are currently arriving at Lyons Bridge, with strong stream rises expected in the next few hours. The Lockyer Creek at Glenore Grove peaked at 14.60 metres at 11:30pm, which is 0.3 metres below the 1974 flood.

Renewed stream rises have commenced in Lockyer Creek at Lyons Bridge with a peak between 16 and 16.5 metres expected Tuesday morning. This is likely to be similar in level to the 1996 flood.

BREMER RIVER:

The Bremer River at Walloon has exceeded the moderate flood level. The Bremer River at Rosewood peaked at 5.8 metres around midnight Monday.

The Bremer River at Ipswich is expected to reach about 12.7 metres on Tuesday afternoon. Higher levels are possible.

WARRILL CREEK:

Warrill Creek at Amberley peaked at 5.98 metres around 9pm Monday.

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Sent: Tuesday, 11 January 2011 6:13 AM
To: Rob Drury
Cc: Barry Dennien; Peter Borrows; Paul Bird; Michael Lyons
Subject: Impact of Lockyer flows

Rob,

I am fielding calls from Gov seeking advice about the impact of the Lockyer Valley flows on Brisbane River levels and on overnight rainfall (I am told that there was 50mm in two hours in Lockyer).

Early advice would be good. There are many nervous people.

Thanks,
Dan

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Debbie,

Preliminary advice below. Report being prepared and BoM remodeling.

Dan

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Rob

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PRIORITY

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Dam Operations Manager

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The dam level is 103.27m AHD and falling slowly. Peak inflow to the dam is estimated to be about

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The dam level peaked at 103.52m AHD at 19:00 on Monday 10 January 2011, (unless further significant rainfall is experienced). Areas around Kilcoy will continue to be adversely affected.

Wivenhoe Dam (Full Supply Level 67.00 m AHD)

The dam level is 73.51m AHD and rising at about 25 mm/hour. Releases from the dam have been held at a rate of 2,750 m³/s since 19:30 hours on Monday 10 January 2011. Outflows into the Brisbane River from both Lockyer Creek and the Bremer River are also increasing.

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Five radial gates are currently open at the dam releasing about 2,750m³/s into the Brisbane River. At this stage, the dam will reach just over 74.0m AHD during Tuesday evening.

Above EL 74.0m AHD the objective for dam operations is to maintain the security of the dam and minimise downstream flood flows if possible.

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Outlook

Heavy rainfall continues throughout South East Queensland and the situation could deteriorate over the next 24 hours. The flood operation centre will continue to monitor the situation and provide situation reports every six hours until the situation stabilizes.

Seqwater Technical Officer name

Robert Drury

Seqwater Technical Officer position title

Dam Operations Manager

BoM assessment

(consisting of references to latest Flood Warning for the Brisbane River and other relevant Bureau forecasts and warnings (e.g. weather/rain forecasts, Tropical Cyclone Warning etc) and other updates/comments if needed)

BoM has been advised.

BoM Technical Officer name	Peter Baddiley
BoM Technical Officer position title	
BoM Technical Officer contact details	flood.qld [REDACTED]

Brisbane City Council (BCC) assessment

(to include predicted local inundation areas and depths of inundation based on the information)

Council has been advised of the current status.

BCC Technical Officer name	Chris Lavin
BCC Technical Officer position title	Disaster Operations Manager
BCC Technical Officer contact details	[REDACTED]

Ipswich City Council (ICC) assessment (if required)

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ICC Technical Officer name	Tony Trace
ICC Technical Officer position title	Local Disaster Response Coordinator
ICC Technical Officer contact details	[REDACTED]

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SRC Technical Officer name	Tony Jacobs
SRC Technical Officer position title	Local Disaster Response Coordinator
SRC Technical Officer contact details	[REDACTED]

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Cc: David Roberts
Subject: RE: Technical Report
Attachments: Technical Situation Report W38.docx

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Outlook

Heavy rainfall continues throughout South East Queensland and the situation could deteriorate over the next 24 hours. The flood operation centre will continue to monitor the situation and provide situation reports every six hours until the situation stabilizes.

Seqwater Technical Officer name	Robert Drury
Seqwater Technical Officer position title	Dam Operations Manager

BoM assessment

(consisting of references to latest Flood Warning for the Brisbane River and other relevant Bureau forecasts and warnings (e.g. weather/rain forecasts, Tropical Cyclone Warning etc) and other updates/comments if needed)

BoM has been advised.

BoM Technical Officer name	Peter Baddiley
BoM Technical Officer position title	
BoM Technical Officer contact details	flood.qld [REDACTED]

Brisbane City Council (BCC) assessment

(to include predicted local inundation areas and depths of inundation based on the information)

Council has been advised of the current status.

BCC Technical Officer name	Chris Lavin
BCC Technical Officer position title	Disaster Operations Manager
BCC Technical Officer contact details	[REDACTED]

Ipswich City Council (ICC) assessment (if required)

(to include predicted local inundation areas and depths of inundation based on the information)

Council has been advised of the current status.

ICC Technical Officer name	Tony Trace
ICC Technical Officer position title	Local Disaster Response Coordinator
ICC Technical Officer contact details	[REDACTED]

Somerset Regional Council (SRC) assessment (if required)

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Council has been advised of the current status.

SRC Technical Officer name	Tony Jacobs
SRC Technical Officer position title	Local Disaster Response Coordinator
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Contact Officer name	Rob Drury
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Cc: Michael Lyons; Mike Foster; Geoff Stead
Subject: Release Update
Attachments: image001.jpg; image004.jpg

As at 7.00 am on Tuesday 11 January, the following applies:

SOMERSET DAM:

Water is being released into Wivenhoe; however the amount discharged can change as conditions change. Levels in Somerset are expected to continue rising.

Areas around Kilcoy are likely to be impacted as a result of the rising dam levels.

WIVENHOE DAM:

Upstream levels are rising quickly as a result of significant heavy rainfall. The objective for dam operations will be to minimise the impact of urban flooding in areas downstream of the dam.

Releases through five gates have been held at around 236,000 megalitres a day since early Monday night 10 January as a result of outflows into the Brisbane River from the Lockyer Creek and Bremer River.

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Local Councils have been advised that as a result of Lockyer Creek flows, local runoff and Wivenhoe releases, Twin Bridges, Savages Crossing, Burtons Bridge, Kholo Bridge Colleges Crossing, Fernvale Bridge, and Mt Crosby Weir Bridge may be inundated until at Sunday 16 January.

NORTH PINE DAM:

Five gates are open, releasing around 15,000 megalitres a day and will continue until at least Wednesday 12 January.

The local Council is being kept informed regarding Youngs Crossing.

LESLIE HARRISON DAM:

Gate releases are underway due to rainfall and inflows.

HINZE DAM:

A minor release of around 1200 megalitres a day is being made through the emergency gates. There is no public access to the spillway.

For detailed information on road crossing closures and other potential impacts, always contact your local council.

This information will be updated during Tuesday 11 January.

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Queensland Bulk Water Supply Authority trading as Seqwater

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Martin, Peter J [REDACTED]
Subject: Wivenhoe releases - Monday PM
Attachments: img-110173945-0001.jpg; Technical Situation Report W37.docx

Folks:

Please find latest Technical report on Wivenhoe releases, BOM forecast of river heights accounting for the releases and downstream flows, and BCC flood maps accounting for the releases and downstream flows. Brisbane forecasts of properties impacted.

Further updates will be issued tomorrow morning.

Australian Government Bureau of Meteorology Queensland

PRIORITY

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LOCKYER CREEK:

Further rainfall during Monday has led to renewed rises in the Lockyer Creek catchment. Rainfall is forecast to continue this evening and a return to moderate to major flood levels is expected overnight and during Tuesday. Major flood levels are expected to continue at Lyons Bridge with rises above 15 metres likely during Tuesday.

BREMER RIVER:

Rainfall during Monday will lead to renewed rises and a return to moderate flood levels along the Bremer River to Walloon. Levels over 5 metres are expected at Rosewood overnight.

The Bremer River at Ipswich is expected to reach about 12.7 metres on Tuesday afternoon. Higher levels are possible.

WARRILL CREEK

Further rainfall during Monday will lead to increasing river levels along Warrill Creek with levels expected to reach above 6 metres at Amberley overnight.

MIDDLE AND LOWER BRISBANE:

SEQwater advises releases from Wivenhoe Dam will increase during Monday.

Moderate flooding is expected at Savages Crossing and at Mt Crosby Weir overnight tonight and during Tuesday.

The Brisbane River at the City Gauge (lower end of Edward Street and at Thornton Street) is expected to reach about 2.1 metres with the afternoon high tide on Tuesday and reach about 3 metres with the high tides on Wednesday causing moderate flooding.

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Predicted River Heights/Flows:

Ipswich: Reach about 12.7 metres (major) during Tuesday afternoon. Quicker rises and higher levels are possible depending on further rainfall tonight.

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Further rises are possible at all four locations depending on further rain.

Next Issue:

The next warning will be issued at about 9pm Monday.

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Cc: Barry Dennien; 'pborrows'; 'Rob Drury'; 'pbird';
'Damien Brown (damien.brown)'; 'bob.reilly';
'terry.wall'; 'Madgwick.DarrenT';
Subject: Water Grid dam release strategy
Attachments: Technical Situation Report W38.docx

All,

Attached is the latest report, with the BoM warning on the Lockyer flood below.

Key points are:

- Current releases are 2,750 cubic metres per second (about 240,000 ML/day). Due to heavy rainfall in the catchment, it was not possible to reduce releases to allow the Lockyer Valley flows to pass.
- Further rainfall may result in the need to increase releases.
- Wivenhoe Dam is at 73.51m AHD and rising at about 25mm/hour. Above 74m, the primary objective becomes maintaining the security of the dam. Releases would be increased at this level with less scope for consideration of downstream impacts.

The BoM is remodeling based on this release strategy. There is some uncertainty about the level of flows coming from the Lockyer.

Please call me on [REDACTED] if you require any further information.

Debbie and Tim: I recommend that a briefing for the Minister would be appropriate, perhaps around 10am.

Regards,
Daniel Spiller

Australian Government Bureau of Meteorology Queensland

PRIORITY

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LOCKYER CREEK:

Extremely heavy rainfall during Monday led to extreme rises in the Lockyer Creek catchment and Laidley Creek at Mulgowie. Record flood levels of 18.92 metres were recorded at Gatton Monday evening before the station failed. This level was well above the previous record peak of 16.33 metres from the February 1893 flood.

The main flood waters are currently arriving at Lyons Bridge, with strong stream rises expected in the next few hours. The Lockyer Creek at Glenore Grove peaked at 14.60 metres at 11:30pm, which is 0.3 metres below the 1974 flood.

Renewed stream rises have commenced in Lockyer Creek at Lyons Bridge with a peak between 16 and 16.5 metres expected Tuesday morning. This is likely to be similar in level to the 1996 flood.

BREMER RIVER:

The Bremer River at Walloon has exceeded the moderate flood level. The Bremer River at Rosewood peaked at 5.8 metres around midnight Monday.

The Bremer River at Ipswich is expected to reach about 12.7 metres on Tuesday afternoon. Higher levels are possible.

WARRILL CREEK

Warrill Creek at Amberley peaked at 5.98 metres around 9pm Monday.

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Moderate flooding is developing at Savages Crossing and at Mt Crosby Weir.

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Next Issue:

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Latest River Heights:

Lockyer Ck at Helidon #	12.68m steady	03:02 PM MON 10/01/11
Flagstone Ck at Brown-Zirbels Rd *	3.49m falling	02:10 AM TUE 11/01/11
Sandy Creek at Sandy Creek Road #	2.15m falling	03:19 AM TUE 11/01/11
Ma Ma Ck at Harm's *	3.26m rising	02:30 AM TUE 11/01/11
Tenthill Ck at Tenthill *	5.57m rising	02:40 AM TUE 11/01/11
Lockyer Ck at Gatton #	18.92m rising	06:30 PM MON 10/01/11
Laidley Ck at Mulgowie *	6.39m rising	02:20 AM TUE 11/01/11
Laidley Ck at Laidley	8.7m falling slowly	10:00 PM MON 10/01/11
Laidley Ck at Showground Weir #	7.84m rising	03:25 AM TUE 11/01/11
Laidley Ck at Warrego Hwy *	6.41m rising	02:00 AM TUE 11/01/11
Lockyer Ck at Glenore Grove #	13.8m falling	03:24 AM TUE 11/01/11
Lockyer Ck at Lyons Br #	15.55m rising	03:23 AM TUE 11/01/11
Lockyer Ck at Rifle Range Rd *	15.39m rising	02:40 AM TUE 11/01/11
Lockyer Ck at O'Reilly's Weir #	18m falling	03:28 AM TUE 11/01/11
Brisbane R at Lowood Pump Stn #	15.93m falling	03:31 AM TUE 11/01/11
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Brisbane R at Mt Crosby #	14.08m falling	04:39 PM MON 10/01/11
Brisbane R at Colleges Crossing #	13.91m rising	03:32 AM TUE 11/01/11
Bremer R at Rosewood#	5.56m falling	03:11 AM TUE 11/01/11
Bremer R at Five Mile Br Walloon #	6.4m rising	03:15 AM TUE 11/01/11
Warrill Ck at Greens Rd Amberley #	5.84m falling	03:29 AM TUE 11/01/11
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Bremer R at Ipswich #	8.55m rising	03:31 AM TUE 11/01/11
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Brisbane R at City Gauge #	1.4m falling	03:15 AM TUE 11/01/11

*automatic station

Warnings and River Height Bulletins are available at <http://www.bom.gov.au/qld/flood/> . Flood Warnings are also available on telephone 1300 659 219 at a low call cost of 27.5 cents, more from mobile, public and satellite phones.

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TECHNICAL SITUATION REPORT

TSR Number	W38	Date of TSR release	11.1.2011	Time of TSR release	6.30am
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Seqwater status of inflows and dam operations

Current status but could change based on inflows or rainfall.

Current objectives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maintain releases to keep Wivenhoe below RL74 at which significant releases need to be made to ensure the dam security and minimise flood impacts downstream if possible 										
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BoM assessment

(consisting of references to latest Flood Warning for the Brisbane River and other relevant Bureau forecasts and warnings (e.g. weather/rain forecasts, Tropical Cyclone Warning etc) and other updates/comments if needed)

BoM has been advised.

BoM Technical Officer name	Peter Baddiley
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BoM Technical Officer contact details	flood.qld [REDACTED]

Brisbane City Council (BCC) assessment

(to include predicted local inundation areas and depths of inundation based on the information)

Council has been advised of the current status.

BCC Technical Officer name	Chris Lavin
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BCC Technical Officer contact details	[REDACTED]

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(to include predicted local inundation areas and depths of inundation based on the information)

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Cc: Michael Lyons; Mike Foster; Geoff Stead
Subject: Release Update
Attachments: image001.jpg; image004.jpg

As at 7.00 am on Tuesday 11 January, the following applies:

SOMERSET DAM:

Water is being released into Wivenhoe; however the amount discharged can change as conditions change. Levels in Somerset are expected to continue rising.

Areas around Kilcoy are likely to be impacted as a result of the rising dam levels.

WIVENHOE DAM:

Upstream levels are rising quickly as a result of significant heavy rainfall. The objective for dam operations will be to minimise the impact of urban flooding in areas downstream of the dam.

Releases through five gates have been held at around 236,000 megalitres a day since early Monday night 10 January as a result of outflows into the Brisbane River from the Lockyer Creek and Bremer River.

If further rainfall occurs, dam releases may need to be increased further.

Local Councils have been advised that as a result of Lockyer Creek flows, local runoff and Wivenhoe releases, Twin Bridges, Savages Crossing, Burtons Bridge, Kholo Bridge Colleges Crossing, Fernvale Bridge, and Mt Crosby Weir Bridge may be inundated until at Sunday 16 January.

NORTH PINE DAM:

Five gates are open, releasing around 15,000 megalitres a day and will continue until at least Wednesday 12 January.

The local Council is being kept informed regarding Youngs Crossing.

LESLIE HARRISON DAM:

Gate releases are underway due to rainfall and inflows.

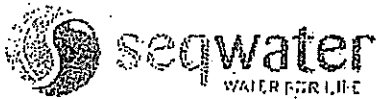
HINZE DAM:

A minor release of around 1200 megalitres a day is being made through the emergency gates. There is no public access to the spillway.

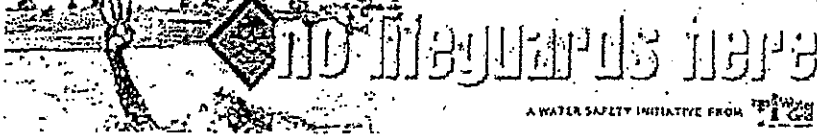
For detailed information on road crossing closures and other potential impacts, always contact your local council.

This information will be updated during Tuesday 11 January.

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Folks:

Please find latest Technical report on Wivenhoe releases, BOM forecast of river heights accounting for the releases and downstream flows, and BCC flood maps accounting for the releases and downstream flows. Brisbane forecasts of properties impacted.

Further updates will be issued tomorrow morning.

Australian Government Bureau of Meteorology Queensland

PRIORITY

FLOOD WARNING FOR THE LOCKYER, BREMER, WARRILL AND BRISBANE RIVER BELOW WIVENHOE INCLUDING BRISBANE CITY Issued at 4:16 PM on Monday the 10th of January 2011 by the Bureau of Meteorology, Brisbane.

Stream level rises causing moderate to major flooding are being recorded in Lockyer Creek, Warrill Creek and along the Bremer River. Major flood levels are likely at Ipswich during Tuesday.

Wivenhoe dam is providing significant mitigation of upper Brisbane floods. River flows from the Bremer and Lockyer catchments combined with releases from Wivenhoe dam are expected to increase levels in Brisbane overnight and through Tuesday.

At the Brisbane City Gauge, a river levels of about 2.1 metres is expected with the afternoon high tide on Tuesday and about 3 metres is expected with the high tides on Wednesday causing moderate flooding.

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LOCKYER CREEK:

Further rainfall during Monday has led to renewed rises in the Lockyer Creek catchment. Rainfall is forecast to continue this evening and a return to moderate to major flood levels is expected overnight and during Tuesday. Major flood levels are expected to continue at Lyons Bridge with rises above 15 metres likely during Tuesday.

BREMER RIVER:

Rainfall during Monday will lead to renewed rises and a return to moderate flood levels along the Bremer River to Walloon. Levels over 5 metres are expected at Rosewood overnight.

The Bremer River at Ipswich is expected to reach about 12.7 metres on Tuesday afternoon. Higher levels are possible.

WARRILL CREEK

Further rainfall during Monday will lead to increasing river levels along Warrill Creek with levels expected to reach above 6 metres at Amberley overnight.

MIDDLE AND LOWER BRISBANE:

SEQwater advises releases from Wivenhoe Dam will increase during Monday.

Moderate flooding is expected at Savages Crossing and at Mt Crosby Weir overnight tonight and during Tuesday.

The Brisbane River at the City Gauge (lower end of Edward Street and at Thornton Street) is expected to reach about 2.1 metres with the afternoon high tide on Tuesday and reach about 3 metres with the high tides on Wednesday causing moderate flooding.

(3 metres at the Brisbane City gauge is about 1.5 metres higher than the highest tide of the year at this location).

Predicted River Heights/Flows:

Ipswich: Reach about 12.7 metres (major) during Tuesday afternoon. Quicker rises and higher levels are possible depending on further rainfall tonight.

Moggill: Reach about 12 metres (minor) during Tuesday afternoon.

Indalee: Reach about 7 metres (minor) overnight Tuesday.

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Reach about 3 metres with the high tides on Wednesday causing moderate flooding.

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Further rises are possible at all four locations depending on further rain.

Next Issue:

The next warning will be issued at about 9pm Monday.

Brisbane Properties affected

Number of properties affected:

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- 7,731 properties may see some flooding either on the land or outside the property
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Cc: Barry Dennien; 'pborrows'; 'Rob Drury'; 'pbird';
'Damien Brown (damien.brown)'; 'bob.reilly';
'terry.wall'; 'Madgwick.DarrenT';
Subject: Water Grid dam release strategy
Attachments: Technical Situation Report W38.docx

All,

Attached is the latest report, with the BoM warning on the Lockyer flood below.

Key points are:

- Current releases are 2,750 cubic metres per second (about 240,000 ML/day). Due to heavy rainfall in the catchment, it was not possible to reduce releases to allow the Lockyer Valley flows to pass.
- Further rainfall may result in the need to increase releases.
- Wivenhoe Dam is at 73.51m AHD and rising at about 25mm/hour. Above 74m, the primary objective becomes maintaining the security of the dam. Releases would be increased at this level with less scope for consideration of downstream impacts.

The BoM is remodeling based on this release strategy. There is some uncertainty about the level of flows coming from the Lockyer.

Please call me on [REDACTED] if you require any further information.

Debbie and Tim: I recommend that a briefing for the Minister would be appropriate, perhaps around 10am.

Regards,
Daniel Spiller

Australian Government Bureau of Meteorology Queensland

PRIORITY

FLOOD WARNING FOR THE LOCKYER, BREMER, WARRILL AND BRISBANE RIVER BELOW WIVENHOE INCLUDING BRISBANE CITY Issued at 4:06 AM on Tuesday the 11th of January 2011 by the Bureau of Meteorology, Brisbane.

The main flood waters in the Lockyer Creek are now arriving at Lyons Bridge, with strong stream rises expected during Tuesday.

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LOCKYER CREEK:

Extremely heavy rainfall during Monday led to extreme rises in the Lockyer Creek catchment and Laidley Creek at Mulgowie. Record flood levels of 18.92 metres were recorded at Gatton Monday evening before the station failed. This level was well above the previous record peak of 16.33 metres from the February 1893 flood.

The main flood waters are currently arriving at Lyons Bridge, with strong stream rises expected in the next few hours. The Lockyer Creek at Glenore Grove peaked at 14.60 metres at 11:30pm, which is 0.3 metres below the 1974 flood.

Renewed stream rises have commenced in Lockyer Creek at Lyons Bridge with a peak between 16 and 16.5 metres expected Tuesday morning. This is likely to be similar in level to the 1996 flood.

BREMER RIVER:

The Bremer River at Walloon has exceeded the moderate flood level. The Bremer River at Rosewood peaked at 5.8 metres around midnight Monday.

The Bremer River at Ipswich is expected to reach about 12.7 metres on Tuesday afternoon. Higher levels are possible.

WARRILL CREEK

Warrill Creek at Amberley peaked at 5.98 metres around 9pm Monday.

MIDDLE AND LOWER BRISBANE:

Moderate flooding is developing at Savages Crossing and at Mt Crosby Weir.

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Jindalee: Reach about 7 metres (minor) overnight Tuesday.

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Further rises are possible at all four locations depending on further rain.

Next Issue:

The next warning will be issued at about 8am Tuesday.

Latest River Heights:

Lockyer Ck at Helidon #	12.68m steady	03:02 PM MON 10/01/11
Flagstone Ck at Brown-Zirbels Rd *	3.49m falling	02:10 AM TUE 11/01/11
Sandy Creek at Sandy Creek Road #	2.15m falling	03:19 AM TUE 11/01/11
Ma Ma Ck at Harm's *	3.26m rising	02:30 AM TUE 11/01/11
Tenthill Ck at Tenthill *	5.57m rising	02:40 AM TUE 11/01/11
Lockyer Ck at Gatton #	18.92m rising	06:30 PM MON 10/01/11
Laidley Ck at Mulgowie *	6.39m rising	02:20 AM TUE 11/01/11
Laidley Ck at Laidley	8.7m falling slowly	10:00 PM MON 10/01/11
Laidley Ck at Showground Weir #	7.84m rising	03:25 AM TUE 11/01/11
Laidley Ck at Warrego Hwy *	6.41m rising	02:00 AM TUE 11/01/11
Lockyer Ck at Glenore Grove #	13.8m falling	03:24 AM TUE 11/01/11
Lockyer Ck at Lyons Br #	15.55m rising	03:23 AM TUE 11/01/11
Lockyer Ck at Rifle Range Rd *	15.39m rising	02:40 AM TUE 11/01/11
Lockyer Ck at O'Reilly's Weir #	18m falling	03:28 AM TUE 11/01/11
Brisbane R at Lowood Pump Stn #	15.93m falling	03:31 AM TUE 11/01/11
Brisbane R at Savages Crossing #	15.89m rising	03:29 AM TUE 11/01/11
Brisbane R at Burtons Br #	12.22m rising	03:29 AM TUE 11/01/11
Brisbane R at Kholo Br #	7.99m rising	03:29 AM TUE 11/01/11
Brisbane R at Mt Crosby #	15.82m steady	03:30 AM TUE 11/01/11
Brisbane R at Mt Crosby #	14.08m falling	04:39 PM MON 10/01/11
Brisbane R at Colleges Crossing #	13.91m rising	03:32 AM TUE 11/01/11
Bremer R at Rosewood#	5.56m falling	03:11 AM TUE 11/01/11
Bremer R at Five Mile Br Walloon #	6.4m rising	03:15 AM TUE 11/01/11
Warrill Ck at Greens Rd Amberley #	5.84m falling	03:29 AM TUE 11/01/11
Bremer R at One Mile Br #	13.75m rising	03:31 AM TUE 11/01/11
Bremer R at Hancocks Br Brassall #	11.33m rising	03:22 AM TUE 11/01/11
Bremer R at Ipswich #	8.55m rising	03:31 AM TUE 11/01/11
Brisbane R at Moggill #	7.07m rising	03:29 AM TUE 11/01/11
Brisbane R at Jindalee Br #	4.5m rising	03:29 AM TUE 11/01/11
Brisbane R at City Gauge #	1.4m falling	03:15 AM TUE 11/01/11

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Warnings and River Height Bulletins are available at <http://www.bom.gov.au/qld/flood/> . Flood Warnings are also available on telephone 1300 659 219 at a low call cost of 27.5 cents, more from mobile, public and satellite phones.

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TECHNICAL SITUATION REPORT

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Seqwater status of inflows and dam operations

Current status but could change based on inflows or rainfall.

Current objectives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maintain releases to keep Wivenhoe below RL74 at which significant releases need to be made to ensure the dam security and minimise flood impacts downstream if possible 										
Strategy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maintain current release of 2750cumecs as long as possible but it may need to be increased Close sluices at Somerset Dam to store more water however will affect upstream areas. 										
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Rainfall

Rainfall continues in the North Pine Dam, Somerset Dam and Wivenhoe Dam catchments. Isolated falls in the Upper Brisbane River of up to 125 mm have been recorded with widespread falls of 40 to 70 mm in the Somerset Dam catchment. This rainfall will increase inflows into the dam.

There has also been 20 to 60 mm in the Lockyer Creek catchment in the last 12 hours with falls of up to 30 mm in the Bremer River.

A severe weather warning remains current for heavy rainfall in the dam catchment areas. The QPF issued by BOM at 16:00 estimates rainfalls for the 24 hours to 10:00 Tuesday as North Pine Dam (25mm to 50mm, with isolated falls to 100mm); Wivenhoe/Somerset Dam Catchments (25mm to 50mm, with isolated falls to 100mm).

North Pine Dam (Full Supply Level 39.60 m AHD)

The dam level is 39.80m AHD and has commenced rising again (storing 4,400ML above FSL). Five gates are open releasing 177 m³/s. The inflow into the dam since the commencement of the event is 77,000 ML. Estimated event volume is 88,000 ML assuming no further rainfall. Releases from the dam will continue until at least Wednesday 12 January 2011.

Somerset Dam (Full Supply Level 99.00 m AHD)

The dam level is 103.27m AHD and falling slowly. Peak inflow to the dam is estimated to be about

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4,200 m³/s. Total discharge into Wivenhoe Dam is currently 1400 m³/s and this discharge will be decreased in the next few hours to be around 500 m³/s later on Tuesday. This is to ensure that the combined flood mitigation capacity in Somerset and Wivenhoe Dam is maximized.

The dam level peaked at 103.52m AHD at 19:00 on Monday 10 January 2011, (unless further significant rainfall is experienced). Areas around Kilcoy will continue to be adversely affected.

Wivenhoe Dam (Full Supply Level 67.00 m AHD)

The dam level is 73.51m AHD and rising at about 25 mm/hour. Releases from the dam have been held at a rate of 2,750 m³/s since 19:30 hours on Monday 10 January 2011. Outflows into the Brisbane River from both Lockyer Creek and the Bremer River are also increasing.

The BoM has provided further advice about the flash flooding experienced in the upper areas of Lockyer Creek. The rainfall responsible for this event was not observed at any rainfall stations but it is considered to be extreme. Flood levels in the Lockyer Creek catchment will exceed maximum recorded levels in some stations in the upper catchment. This flow will result in increases in Brisbane River levels below the junction of Lockyer Creek.

Five radial gates are currently open at the dam releasing about 2,750m³/s into the Brisbane River. At this stage, the dam will reach just over 74.0m AHD during Tuesday evening.

Above EL 74.0m AHD the objective for dam operations is to maintain the security of the dam and minimise downstream flood flows if possible.

If further rainfall occurs, dam releases may need to be increased further and this may result in river flows in the lower Brisbane River approaching or exceeding 5,000m³/s.

Impacts downstream of Wivenhoe Dam

The projected Wivenhoe Dam releases combined with Lockyer Creek flows and local runoff will mean that all crossings downstream of Wivenhoe (Twin Bridges, Fernvale, Savages Crossing, Burtons Bridge, Kholo Bridge, Mt Crosby Weir and Colleges Crossing) will be adversely impacted until at least Sunday 16 January in varying degrees.

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Outlook

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BoM has been advised.

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Tim,

Attached is the independent review of Somerset and Wivenhoe Dam operations against the Flood Mitigation Manual and a briefing note from Seqwater on the development of the Manual.

Kind regards

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The Honourable Stephen Robertson MP
Minister for Natural Resources, Mines and Energy
and Minister for Trade
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Dear Minister

Independent review of Somerset and Wivenhoe Dam operations against the *Manual of Operational Procedures for Flood Mitigation at Wivenhoe Dam and Somerset Dam*

Attached is a final report from Mr Brian Cooper, Brian Cooper Consulting, on an independent review of the operation of Somerset and Wivenhoe Dams for compliance against Seqwater's *Manual of Operational Procedures for Flood Mitigation at Wivenhoe Dam and Somerset Dam* (Flood Mitigation Manual) during the current flood event.

Mr Cooper concludes that:

"The strategies as set out in the Flood Mitigation Manual have been followed, allowing for the discretion given to making variations in order to maximise flood mitigation effects. The actions taken and decisions made during the Flood Event appear to have been prudent and appropriate in the context of the available knowledge available to those responsible for flood operations and the way events unfolded."

Given the circumstances, we endeavoured to provide him with as much information as possible to enable a sufficient compliance review against the Flood Mitigation Manual. Mr Cooper identifies some Flood Mitigation Manual requirements where further information of compliance is required. In relation to these matters, Mr Cooper states:

"There are a number of requirements where there was insufficient time given the urgency of this review, to source the necessary information for me to demonstrate compliance. However, satisfaction or otherwise of these requirements would have had little impact on the operation of the two dams during this particular Flood Event. It is intended that they be audited when time permits, after the Flood Event."

Also, attached is a summary from Mr Barton Maher, Seqwater, on the development history of the Flood Mitigation Manual, and in particular, the extensive peer review to which both the Flood Mitigation Manual and studies that fed the development of it were subject. For example:

- the Brisbane and Pine Rivers Flood Study underwent an internal review by the Water Resources Group and then went to an independent review panel comprising of Professor Colin Apelt, Head of Department, Department of Civil Engineering, University of Queensland; and Mr Eric Lesleighter, Principal Hydraulic Engineer and Chief Engineer Water Resources, Snowy Mountains Engineering Corporation
- the 2005/2006 Brisbane Valley Flood Damage Minimisation Study involved a Project Technical Review Group involving SEQWater Corporation, the Bureau of Meteorology, SunWater, Department of Natural Resources, Mining and Water Dam Safety Regulator and WRM Consultants
- the most recent 2009 review of the Flood Mitigation Manual was subject to an expert review panel comprising of The Bureau of Meteorology; SunWater (as operator of the Flood Control Centre); the Department of Environment and Resource Management Dam Safety Regulator and Brisbane City Council. The minor changes to the Flood Mitigation Manual were extensively tested to ensure that the flood mitigation outcomes were not compromised.

I hope this proves to be of assistance.

If you have any questions, please contact me on [REDACTED] or via email at barry.dennien [REDACTED]

Yours sincerely

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Director-General
Department of Environment and Resource Management

Date	Time	TSR	Wivenhoe Dam Release (m³/s)			Gate No.	Opening (m)	Storage Level	Rainfall (mm)
			Regulators	Hydro	Gates				
12/12/2010	1400 W1								
13/12/2010	1300 W2			10	290	300			
15/12/2010	1800 W3								
16/12/2010	1600 W4				0				
17/12/2010	1200 W5								
17/12/2010	1800 W6								
18/12/2010	0700 W7								
19/12/2010	0700 W8								
19/12/2010	1800 W9								
20/12/2010	0700 W10								
20/12/2010	0900 W11								
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22/12/2010	1600 W15								
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26/12/2010	0800 W21	Rel. minor over last 24 hrs.		
27/12/2010	0800 W22	40-50 over dam CA last 24 hrs.		
28/12/2010	0700 W23	20-40 over dam CA's last 24 hrs	347 (initially) then back to 46	
29/12/2010	0700 W24	69.26 (@ 0600) - aim is to return to FSL by 2/1/2011 69.33 peak No/very little in last 24 hrs.		
30/12/2010	0700 W25	yesterday @ 1200 (2.3m > FSL) 69.07 this am No/very little in last 24 hrs.	Wivenhoe+Lockyer = 1,600m ³ /s	
31/12/2010	0700 W26 W27	68.4 @ 0500 No/very little in last 24 hrs.	Wivenhoe+Lockyer = 1,600m ³ /s	
06/01/2011	1200 W28	20-30 widespread with up to 50 on dam CA's 67.31 @ 0700	Commence opening RG @ 1800 & ramp up to 300m ³ /s by 2200	
07/01/2011	0700 W29	30-50 with isolated falls up to 75; signif. Rain on Lock. Ck. 67.64 @ 0600		
07/01/2011	1500 W30		Release started 1500 to be incr. slowly to ~1,200m ³ /s by 1400 tomorrow	
08/01/2011	0700 W31	Widespread rain 20-40 over dam CA's since 0900 yesterday, further high rainfall predicted for next 4 days All (5) RG's open 68.45 @ 0600 rising steadily	~890	
09/01/2011	0700 W32 W33	For last 12 hrs. av. of 40 for Somerset CA & <10 for Wivenhoe CA Currently 68.58 (falling slowly)	1,343	
09/01/2011	2100 W34	Very heavy rainfall - totals for 24 hrs 100 - 300; Severe weather warning for heavy rainfall Currently @ 69.1;	1,400	

W35
W36
W37

20-60 last 12 hrs in Lockyer CA; 30 in
Bremer R., Isol. Falls of 125 in upper
Brisbane R. & widespread falls of 40 - 70
in Somerset CA

2,750 since 1930 on
10/1/2011

73.51 rising @
25mm/hr.

All (5) gates

0630 W38

11/01/2011

74.1 (179.5% cap.)
rising @ 25mm/hr.

3,970

1200 W39

11/01/2011

Comments	Crossing Closures
<p>45,000ML from Somerset; WL Somerset to peak at 99.7 on 13/12/2010; 150m³/s expected through Brisbane; 30,000ML expected into Wivenhoe from upper Brisbane R.; peak WL in Wivenhoe expected to be 67.6; Releases expected from Wivenhoe on afternoon of 13/12/2010 ramping up to 300m³/s; Reg. will be closed & Gate 3 opened to 3m to get WL back to 67.25; incr. release will impact on 3 crossings; Dam Regulator Informed</p> <p>138m³/s from Somerset;</p> <p>Releases from Wivenhoe will cease on 16/12/2010; Hydro will continue during fish recovery ops.</p> <p>Gate closed 1000</p> <p>Decision to commence a release tonight was made this am by Duty Flood Engineers to provide as much notice to impacted Councils as possible; 60,000ML needs to be released from Wivenhoe & Somerset to maintain FSL</p> <p>Need to release >60,000ML from Wivenhoe & Somerset to achieve FSL</p> <p>Releases could increase to 300m³/s;</p>	<p>Gate release will impact on 3 crossings</p>
<p>100,000ML to be drained in next 4 days; Q Brisbane R. to be maintained at 300-350m³/s; Transfer from Somerset via 2 reg.; Wivenhoe Q incr. to 150m³/s o/n; Will incr. further to 300m³/s as Q Lock.Ck. Subside over next 24 hrs.; Q Lock.Ck. Currently 130m³/s</p> <p>12,000ML/day from Somerset; Release expected until 22/12/2010;</p> <p>Somerset rel. steady (Q reg.=140m³/s); Q Wivenhoe to be maintained at 300m³/s (Lock.Ck. Permitting) to allow Burtons Bridge to remain open; WL Wivenhoe expected to incr. to 67.4 over next 2 days;</p> <p>Somerset risen to 100.2 - sluice gate releases to be made until am of 22/12/2010 when FSL expected; WL Wivenhoe at 68 expected this pm; Q Wivenhoe expected to be >1,200m³/s - discuss with impacted Cncls - strategy decision by 10000; Wivenhoe inflows excl. Q Somerset peak tomorrow at 1800m³/s</p> <p>Inflow to Somerset to peak today at 700m³/s; Somerset & Wivenhoe currently storing 140,000ML above FSL; further inflows occurring; releases to be incr. o/n to ~1,200m³/s; various Cncls. Given heads up; BOM advised</p> <p>Same as W11</p> <p>410m³/s from Somerset sluice gates; Somerset peaked @100.43 (1300 on 20/12/2010), currently @ 100.23 (114% of cap.); 110,700ML inflow to Somerset; 67,500ML discharged into Wivenhoe; Wivenhoe inflow (excl. Somerset releases) = 157,900ML; 103,000ML released; Total inflow to both dams ~310,000ML; Continued gate operations may be necessary if forecast rainfall results in subsequent river rises</p> <p>410m³/s from Somerset sluice gates; Somerset currently @ 99.68 (108% cap.); 121,500ML inflow to Somerset; 103,000ML released to Wivenhoe; Gate Ops. @ Wivenhoe; High tides expected to coincide with peak levels in Brisbane R.</p> <p>BOM aware of all releases</p>	<p>Would impact Twin Bridges, Savages Crossing, Colleges Crossing</p> <p>Twin Bridges & Savages Crossing currently closed; Colleges Crossing to be impacted in afternoon</p> <p>Twin Bridges, Savages Crossing, Colleges Crossing currently closed</p> <p>Twin Bridges, Savages Crossing and Colleges Crossing are closed; closing of Burtons Bridge and Kholo Bridge will be considered if more rain or inflows</p> <p>Both Burtons and Kholo bridges likely to be inundated</p> <p>Wivenhoe releases reduced slightly to keep Burtons Bridge open - then incr. releases after Somerset ReglCnd Inform residents affected by Burtons Bridge</p> <p>Kholo Bridge is also expected to be inundated by mid-morning ; In accordance with the adopted operational strategy these bridges should be back in service by late Thursday and all bridges (with the possible exception of Twin Bridges) should be trafficable for Christmas providing no further rainfall occurs.</p> <p>Burtons Bridge & Kholo Bridge expected to be back in service by 23-24/12/2010; All bridges expected to be trafficable by Xmas provided no further rain</p> <p>Gate closing sequence to allow bridges to be accessible</p> <p>Projected crossing openings: Burtons Bridge – 18:00 Thursday 23 December 2010.</p> <p>Savages Crossing – 19:00 Thursday 23 December 2010</p> <p>Kholo Bridge – 21:00 Thursday 23 December 2010</p> <p>Colleges Crossing – 08:00 Friday 23 December 2010</p> <p>Projected crossing openings: Burtons Bridge – 18:00 Thursday 23 December 2010, Kholo Bridge - 21:00 Thursday 23 December 2010; Other bridges expected to remain closed until Xmas Day</p> <p>Twin Bridges, Savages Crossing and Colleges Crossing are currently closed and should remain so for some time due in part to current outflows into the Brisbane River from Lockyer Creek that will peak in excess of 200 cumecs late today.</p>
<p>1 sluice open @ Somerset to be closed @ 0900 - WL will be 0.1m> FSL; Est. Inflow to Somerset 135,000ML, majority discharged into Wivenhoe; Gate closure ops @ Wivenhoe in progress; Wivenhoe inflow (excl. Somerset inflow) = 204,000ML; A total of 324,000ML has been released; Contd. gate ops may be necessary if forecast rain results in river rises; Gate closure ops sequence to be reviewed</p> <p>Somerset gate ops ceased @ 0900, WL @ 99.1; Gate closure sequence extended to pm of 24/12/2010; Contd. Gate ops may be necessary if forecast rainfall gives incr. river levels</p> <p>Gate ops @ Somerset ceased yesterday, reg. to be opened to bring lake to FSL; Gate ops continuing @ Wivenhoe -1 gate incr. every 5-6 hrs to ensure Brisbane R. Q not incr. due to incr. Lock. Ck. Outflows & maintain Burtons Bridge open;</p>	<p>Twin Bridges, Savages Crossing and Colleges Crossing may still be affected by flows from the Lockyer.</p> <p>Twin Bridges, Savages and Colleges Crossing remain impacted by Wivenhoe releases and Lockyer and local runoff. Burtons and Kholo Bridges would be currently unaffected. Kholo will no doubt still be closed by Council regarding repairs.</p>
<p>Flood Centre to monitor o/n & consider options tomorrow am based on inflows & rainfall; further gate ops may be necessary in coming days</p> <p>Somerset WL incr. from 99.18 yesterday @ 0600 to 99.33 @ 0730 today; 99.5 tomorrow if no gate ops.; Wivenhoe currently 4,200ML through hydro & reg.; 15,000ML expected just from upper Brisbane R. in next few days; WL cont. to fall in Lock. Ck; Small rises expected in Bremer & Warrill systems; WL in Wivenhoe incr. to 67.28 @ 600</p>	

BOM issued severe weather warning @ 0.44s; Somerset WL incr. to 99.46 (0.46m > FSL) - 2 regs. To be opened today (140m³/s); Wivenhoe WL incr. to 67.37 (0.37m > FSL); RG to be opened later today following discussions with local authorities; further gate ops may be necessary if rainfall incr. river levels

BOM continues with severe weather warning & widespread rainfall over dam CA's; 2 regs. @ Somerset giving 139m³/s release, lake contd. To rise to 99.6 (0.6m > FSL); RG ops @ Wivenhoe commenced yesterday @ 0900, WL contd. To rise to 67.57 (0.57m > FSL); Q|Wivenhoe reduced of/n because of incr. Q|Lockyer to ensure Burtons Bridge remains open; RG @ Wivenhoe wound back as Q|Lockyer incr. > 250m³/s; Q|Lockyer expected to peak > 500m³/s later today/tomorrow - will inundate Burtons Bridge; When this happens, Q|Wivenhoe will be incr. to get WL back to FSL; further gate ops may be necessary in coming days

Sever weather warning no longer current; Somerset release through regs' ~ 208m³/s; WL|Somerset incr. to 99.96 (0.96m > FSL) - inflows decreasing; RG opening dependent on Q|Lockyer; Wivenhoe WL currently @ 68.55 (1.55m > FSL); inflows to Wivenhoe decr.

Further 2 sluices opened @ Somerset; WL @ Somerset 99.83 & falling slowly, 2 sluices to be closed @ 1200; Intended to incr. Wivenhoe releases so Q|Wivenhoe+Q|Lockyer maintained @ 1,600m³/s (similar Q to mid Oct & mid Dec 2010)

2 sluices @ Somerset remain open (405m³/s) - FSL expected by 6/1/2011; RG closing sequence expected to start mid tomorrow - RG expected to be closed on 2/1/2011

WL @ Somerset 99.01 (falling from peak of 100.0 - 1200 28/12/2010) - currently 2 regs;

Somerset @ 99.34 (0.34m > FSL) & rising slowly; Wivenhoe 67.31 (0.31m > FSL) & rising slowly; Gates will be opened in next 24 hrs; Lockyer Ck peak of about 100m³/s Friday afternoon

100-200mm rain forecast for SE Qld next 5 days; Somerset WL @ 99.58 (0.58m > FSL) rising slowly - currently releasing 35m³/s; Wivenhoe WL @ 67.64 (0.64m > FSL & > gate trigger level) rising slowly; u/s of dam river levels peaked @ Linville and Gregors Ck gauges; A peak of about 470 cumecs is expected from Lockyer Creek by mid-afternoon; Wivenhoe gate releases will occur after the impact of Lockyer flows on Burtons Bridge has been ascertained and flood levels in the lower Lockyer subside Q|Wivenhoe may be as high as 1,200m³/s

Somerset releasing 35m³/s; 50,000MI into Somerset; Gate release @ Wivenhoe - strategy to be reviewed tomorrow (dependent on further rainfall)

Somerset WL @ 100.42 & rising (0500) - 1 open sluice gate; Water temp. held in Wivenhoe - strategy may need to be reviewed (depend. On confidence in estimates of Wivenhoe inflows); Intended to ramp Wivenhoe up to 1,200m³/s by 1200 - likely to be incr. next week; since 2/1/2011, ~200,000MI has flowed into Wivenhoe (incl. Somerset releases), further 180,000MI expected based on recorded rainfall; ~ 50,000MI released via reg. & hydro (@50m³/s)

Somerset currently @ 100.27 - 60mm rain in last 2 hrs will cause significant inflow later today; 405m³/s being released into Wivenhoe; maintain combined Q of 1,600m³/s in mid-Brisbane R.
Not included

Somerset @ 101.68 rising quickly; 5 sluice gates open releasing ~1,100m³/s; WL expected to reach 103.5 by am 11/1/2011; River levels u/s Wivenhoe rising fast; Q|Brisbane R. @ Gregors Ck @ 6,700m³/s; Wivenhoe expected to reach 73.0 by 11/1/2011 - need to incr. Q|Wivenhoe am of 10/1/2011 - crank up to 2,600m³/s by am 11/1/2011; Attempt to keep combined Q < 3,500m³/s - < limit of urban damages in the City

Crossings downstream of the dam are currently impacted primarily by non-controlled river flows only (no RG releases from Wivenhoe). Lockyer Creek outflows into the Brisbane River are currently in the order of 60m³/s. Twin Bridges, Savages and Colleges Crossings will be inundated but the plan is to release around 300-350m³/s depending on flows downstream so as to not impact Burtons Bridge.

Twin Bridges, Savages Crossing and Colleges Crossing currently closed; Burtons Bridge is currently open, but will be closed later today/tomorrow; Kholo Bridge remains unserviceable due to flood damage; No current expectation that either Mt Crosby Weir Bridge or Fernvale Bridge will be impacted by the current event; An updated estimate of the time of closure of Burtons Bridge this afternoon will be provided to Council
RG discharge dropped back to 46m³/s to ensure Burtons Bridge can remain open; Twin Bridges, Savages Crossing, Colleges Crossing, Burtons Bridge and Kholo Bridge are currently closed; No current expectation that either Mt Crosby Weir Bridge or Fernvale Bridge will be impacted by the current event; Lockyer Creek outflows being closely monitored and may come close to impacting upon the Mt Crosby Weir Bridge; England Creek access is not impacted yet

Twin Bridges, Savages Crossing, Colleges Crossing, Burtons Bridge and Kholo Bridge are currently closed; no current expectation that Mt Crosby Weir Bridge or Fernvale Bridge will be impacted by current event. At this stage, estimated that the flow at Burtons Bridge will fall below the bridge deck on Sunday morning.

Twin Bridges, Savages Crossing, Colleges Crossing, Burtons Bridge and Kholo Bridge are currently closed
Twin Bridges, Savages Crossing, Colleges Crossing, Burtons Bridge and Kholo Bridge are currently closed due to inundation

Not included
Lockyer Ck peak or about 100m³/s Friday afternoon. This will take out twin bridges and nearby inundate Savages Crossing. Colleges Crossing could be taken out by a combined Lockyer and local runoff. Current strategy is to keep Burton Bridge free. Gate release would limit mid-Brisbane Q to 400m³/s ((Burtons capacity 450m³/s).

Q|Lockyer may be of sufficient magnitude to inundate Burtons Bridge; Somerset Regional Council, Ipswich City Council and Brisbane City Council have been advised of the potential for gate operations during the next 24 hours; The relatively high Lockyer flows will adversely impact upon Twin Bridges, Savages Crossing, and Colleges Crossing for several days, may also later impact upon Burtons Bridge & Kholo Bridge; not expected to be any adverse impacts upon Fernvale Bridge or Mt Crosby Weir Bridge; Councils have been advised of this strategy and are contacting residents

All of the crossings downstream of Wivenhoe with the exception of Fernvale and Mt Crosby Weir Bridge will be adversely impacted; Councils have been advised of this strategy and are contacting residents
The projected Wivenhoe release of 1,200m³/s combined with Lockyer flows and local runoff will mean that all crossings downstream of Wivenhoe (Twin Bridges, Savages Crossing, Burtons Bridge, Kholo Bridge and Colleges Crossing) will be adversely impacted for several days. At this stage Fernvale and Mt Crosby Weir Bridge are not expected to be affected but they could potentially be affected if the predicted rainfall totals eventuate.

The current Wivenhoe Dam release combined with Lockyer flows and local runoff will mean that all low level crossings downstream of Wivenhoe (Twin Bridges, Savages Crossing, Burtons Bridge, Kholo Bridge and Colleges Crossing) will be adversely impacted until at least Wednesday 12 January. At this stage Fernvale and Mt Crosby Weir Bridge are not expected to be affected, but this may be revised if the predicted rainfall totals eventuate and higher releases from Wivenhoe Dam are considered necessary. Cncls advised of Wivenhoe op. strategy

The projected Wivenhoe Dam releases combined with Lockyer flows and local runoff will mean that all crossings downstream of Wivenhoe (Twin Bridges, Fernvale, Savages Crossing, Burtons Bridge, Kholo Bridge, Mt Crosby Weir and Colleges Crossing) will be adversely impacted until at least Saturday 15 January in varying degrees; Water levels in the lower Brisbane R will be impacted by the combined flows of Lockyer Ck, Bremer River, local runoff and releases from Wivenhoe Dam

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Somerset WL @ 103.27 & falling slowly ; currently 1,400m³/s released to Wivenhoe- to be reduced to 500m³/s later in the day - to ensure flood mitigation of Somerset & Wivenhoe are maximized; BOM provided advice on flash flooding in Lockyer Ck.; WL in Wivenhoe will reach 74 by evening; May need to increase Q further - may result in Q lower Brisbane R. >5,000m³/s

Somerset @ 103.3 & rising; Outflows into the Brisbane River from both Lockyer Creek and the Bremer River are also increasing; If no further rain, can hold @ 74.8 - aim is to prevent fuse plug triggering, situation assessed every 3 hrs.; Heavy rainfall continues throughout South East Queensland and the situation could deteriorate over the next 24 hours. The flood operation centre will continue to monitor the situation and provide situation reports every six hours until the situation stabilizes.

The projected Wivenhoe Dam releases combined with Lockyer Creek flows and local runoff will mean that all crossings downstream of Wivenhoe (Twin Bridges, Fernvale, Savages Crossing, Burtons Bridge, Kholo Bridge, Mt Crosby Weir and Colleges Crossing) will be adversely impacted; Water levels in the lower Brisbane River will be impacted by the combined flows of Lockyer Creek, Bremer River, local runoff and releases from Wivenhoe Dam.