

Submission form for the draft Murrumbidgee Valley Floodplain Management Plan: Stage 1 public consultation

How to fill out this form

The NSW Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water is seeking your comments on key elements that will be used to prepare the draft Floodplain Management Plan for the Murrumbidgee Valley Floodplain.

We are seeking feedback through a public submission process from Monday 25 March to Sunday 5 May 2024. The publication [Draft Murrumbidgee Valley Floodplain Management Plan – Report to assist Stage 1 public consultation](#) provides information that can assist with completing this submission form. This report is available on the department’s website at water.nsw.gov.au/murrumbidgee-floodplain-management-plan

To provide feedback on the maps shown in Figures 1, 2 and 5 in the report, we recommend you:

1. take a screenshot of the relevant area/s displayed on the [interactive spatial map](#)
2. use a drawing tool to illustrate feedback or refer to the area shown in written feedback
3. save the screenshot of the map as an image file and attach it to your submission.

How to submit your feedback

Have your say by Sunday 5 May 2024.

Save or print the completed submission form and send it via:

Email: floodplain.planning@dpie.nsw.gov.au OR

Post: Murrumbidgee Valley FMP

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Information on privacy and confidentiality

All submissions received by the NSW Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water will be reviewed and published. The department values your input and accepts that information you provide may be private and personal.

If you want your submission or your personal details to be treated as confidential, please indicate this by ticking the relevant box below.

Your information will be handled by the department in accordance with the *Privacy and Personal Information Protection Act 1998*. Any personal information you provide in completing this form will only be used to inform the development of the Murrumbidgee Valley Floodplain Management Plan. We will not use or disclose the information for any other purpose, unless required or authorised to do so.

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If you wish to view or amend the information held by us, you can email us at floodplain.planning@dpie.nsw.gov.au, or contact the department's privacy officer on 02 9860 1440 or at privacy@dpie.nsw.gov.au.

Do you give permission for your name to be published with your submission?

Yes No

If you are answering on behalf of an organisation, do you give permission for your organisation's name to be published?

Yes No

Your details

1. Full name	
2. Email address	
3. Address	
4. Phone number	
5. Are you an individual or representing an organisation? (Mark only one)	<input type="checkbox"/> Individual (skip to question 7) <input type="checkbox"/> Organisation
6. Name of organisation	
7. Who are you representing?	<input type="checkbox"/> Government <input type="checkbox"/> Peak representative organisation <input type="checkbox"/> First Nations organisation <input type="checkbox"/> Environmental organisation <input type="checkbox"/> Irrigation industry <input type="checkbox"/> Mining industry <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify):
8. Did you attend any of the following in relation to the Murrumbidgee Valley Floodplain Management Plan?	<input type="checkbox"/> An individual appointment <input type="checkbox"/> A phone call with departmental staff <input type="checkbox"/> None of these
9. Have you read the Draft Murrumbidgee Valley Floodplain Management Plan - Report to assist Stage 1 public consultation?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

The following sections relate to the feedback we are seeking on key elements for development of the floodplain management plan as described in the Report to assist Stage 1 public consultation. Follow the steps on page 1 to provide feedback on the maps shown in Figures 1, 2 and 5.

Proposed floodplain boundary

Figure 1 in the Report to assist Stage 1 public consultation shows the proposed floodplain boundary. For a higher resolution version of the proposed floodplain boundary, see [Stage 1 Interactive Spatial Map](#).

<p>Please provide any comments you may have on the proposed floodplain boundary.</p> <p><i>(If relevant please attach a map to your submission.)</i></p>	
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Proposed design floods

The following design floods were used to model the floodway network:

- large design flood of March 2012: 2% AEP at the Murrumbidgee River at Narrandera gauge (410005)
- small design flood of October 2016: 14% AEP at the Murrumbidgee River at Narrandera gauge (410005).

More information about the proposed design floods is available in the [Report to assist Stage 1 public consultation](#).

<p>Please provide any comments you may have on the proposed design floods.</p>	
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Proposed floodway network

Figure 2 in the [Report to assist Stage 1 public consultation](#) shows the proposed floodway network. For a higher resolution version of the proposed floodway network, see [Stage 1 Interactive Spatial Map](#).

<p>Please provide any comments you may have on the proposed floodway network.</p> <p><i>(If relevant please attach a map to your submission.)</i></p>	
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Identified Aboriginal cultural assets and values

Figure 3 in the [Report to assist Stage 1 public consultation](#) shows the identified Aboriginal cultural assets and values on the floodplain.

<p>Please provide any comments you may have on the identified Aboriginal cultural assets and values on the floodplain.</p>	
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Identified heritage sites

Figure 4 in the [Report to assist Stage 1 public consultation](#) shows the identified heritage sites on the floodplain.

Please provide any comments you may have on the identified heritage sites on the floodplain.

Identified ecological assets

Figure 5 in the [Report to assist Stage 1 public consultation](#) shows the identified ecological assets on the floodplain. For a higher resolution version of the identified ecological assets, see [Stage 1 Interactive Spatial Map](#).

Please provide any comments you may have on the identified ecological assets on the floodplain.
(If relevant please attach a map to your submission.)

Local variances from default rules for flood work applications in different areas of the floodplain

Floodplain management plans follow a default rule set which determines what can be assessed and approved as a flood work. These rule sets fall into two main categories depending on the location of the work:

1. **Floodways and areas of ecological, heritage or Aboriginal cultural significance** – works in these areas will be restricted to specific types essential for the protection of life and property, or improvement of the floodplain.
2. **Inundation extent and flood fringe** – all work types are permitted, subject to conditions and assessment criteria.

There are some specific aspects of the rule set that can be tailored to account for local conditions and needs. These aspects are detailed in the [Report to assist Stage 1 public consultation](#) and are subject to consultation outcomes.

<p>Please provide any comments you may have on the types of flood works that should be permitted within a floodway.</p>	
<p>Please provide any comments that you may have on an appropriate maximum height (10 to 50 cm) for <i>standard access roads</i> within a floodway.</p>	
<p>Please provide any comments that you may have on an appropriate maximum height for <i>primary access roads</i> within a floodway.</p>	

Additional information

If you would like to provide any additional information to help us understand your feedback, please attach this to your submission.

Thank you for completing this form.