

National Emergency (2022 New South Wales Floods) Declaration 2022

I, General the Honourable David Hurley AC DSC (Retd), Governor‑General of the Commonwealth of Australia, acting with the advice of the Federal Executive Council, make the following declaration.

Dated 11 March 2022

David Hurley

Governor‑General

By His Excellency’s Command

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1 Name

This instrument is the *National Emergency (2022 New South Wales Floods) Declaration 2022*.

2 Commencement

(1) Each provision of this instrument specified in column 1 of the table commences, or is taken to have commenced, in accordance with column 2 of the table. Any other statement in column 2 has effect according to its terms.

| Commencement information | | |
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| Column 1 | Column 2 | Column 3 |
| Provisions | Commencement | Date/Details |
| 1. The whole of this instrument | Immediately after this instrument is registered. | 10.25 pm (A.C.T.) 11 March 2022 |

Note: This table relates only to the provisions of this instrument as originally made. It will not be amended to deal with any later amendments of this instrument.

(2) Any information in column 3 of the table is not part of this instrument. Information may be inserted in this column, or information in it may be edited, in any published version of this instrument.

3 Authority

This instrument is made under section 11 of the *National Emergency Declaration Act 2020*.

4 Emergency to which this instrument relates

This instrument relates to the 2022 New South Wales floods.

5 Nature of the emergency and circumstances that gave rise to it

(1) The 2022 New South Wales floods involve widespread flooding that is currently severely impacting significant areas of New South Wales.

(2) In particular, the floods:

(a) are posing a severe and immediate threat to the life and health of individuals within those areas; and

(b) are causing harm to animal and plant life in those areas; and

(c) are causing extensive damage to property, including infrastructure, in those areas; and

(d) are causing harm to the environment; and

(e) are causing significant disruptions to essential services in those areas; and

(f) are having a significant national impact because of their scale and consequences.

6 Period during which this instrument is in force

This declaration is in force during the period:

(a) beginning when this instrument commences; and

(b) ending 3 months after that commencement.