

## MINUTES OF THE NORTHERN FLOODPLAIN RISK MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

**Meeting Date:** Wednesday, 6 March 2024  
**Location:** Jervis Bay Rooms, City Administrative Centre, Bridge Road, Nowra  
**Time:** 4.02pm

The following members were present:

Clr Patricia White - Chairperson

Mr John Gould

Mr Mark Kielly

Mr Nathan Pomfret – NSW Dept of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment & Water (Remotely)

Mr Colin Bron – NSW State Emergency Service (Remotely)

Mr Dylan Whitelaw – NSW State Emergency Service

Dr Michael Roberts - Manager - Environmental Services

Others present:

Mr Alexander Aronsson –Lead – Floodplain Management

Mr Mark Stone –Floodplain Engineer

Mr Richard Hart – Local Emergency Management Officer

Dr Filippo Dall’Osso – Water Technology (Remotely) - Left at 4.47pm

Mr Luke Evans – Rhelm (Remotely) – Left at 4.47pm

### Apologies / Leave of Absence

Apologies were received from Clr Gray and Ms Robyn Stevens.

### Confirmation of the Minutes

**RESOLVED** (Clr White / John Gould)

That the Minutes of the Northern Floodplain Risk Management Committee held on Wednesday 07 December 2022 be confirmed.

CARRIED

### Declaration of Interests

Nil

## PRESENTATIONS

<b>NFM24.1 Lower Shoalhaven River &amp; St Georges Basin Flood Evacuation Capability Assessment - Water Technology</b>	<b>HPERM Ref: D24/52495</b>
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Dr Filippo Dall'Osso - Water Technology presented to the Committee on the Lower Shoalhaven River & St Georges Basin Flood Evacuation Capability Assessment.

The presentation is attached to the Minutes

<b>NFM24.2 Lower Shoalhaven River Floodplain Risk Management Study &amp; Plan Presentation - Rhelm</b>	<b>HPERM Ref: D24/52525</b>
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Mr Luke Evans – Rhelm presented to the Committee on the Lower Shoalhaven River Floodplain Risk Management Study & Plan.

The presentation is attached to the Minutes.

## REPORTS

<b>NFM24.3 General Update on Flood Projects</b>	<b>HPERM Ref: D24/55502</b>
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Broughton Creek Flood Study – Council currently has a Get Involved Page for this project where feedback can be provided. Community consultation was undertaken from October to November in 2023. A drop-in session was held on 9 November 2023 at the Berry School of Arts. This project is now in the model development and calibration stage of the Flood Study.

EOI – Council has an expression of interest currently open until the vacancies of the Northern Risk Management Committee have been filled. The Floodplain Management Team encourages the Committee to share this EOI with their networks to assist in filling these positions.

It was noted that Council's Flood Alert Network (rainfall and water level gauges) have been audited by Council in the last 6 months. The technology upgrade has commenced on these gauges (30% complete).

There are currently 8 flood investigations underway.

Mr Mark Stone - Acting Floodplain Engineer advised that Council recently installed a new rain gauge in the George Boyd area, therefore, the Lake Conjola catchment area now has three rain gauges and this will eventually feed into the proposed Total Flood Warning System.

### **Recommendation (Item to be determined under delegated authority)**

The Committee receive the General Update on Flood Projects report for information.

### **RESOLVED** (By consent)

The Committee receive the General Update on Flood Projects report for information.

CARRIED

There being no further business, the meeting concluded, the time being 5.04pm.

Clr Patricia White  
CHAIRPERSON