



Landcare
New South Wales



Prepare Your Home from Flood Risks



Good planning is one of the best ways to set your project up for success.

This includes making sure you have the right skills and resources, you understand what needs to happen to achieve the desired ecological outcomes, and you track the success of your project over time. First you need to observe what's going on on your property and focus on the principles of where the risks are and what you can do to reduce those risks. Proactive steps to protect your property and enhance your flood awareness.

Engage with your community and participate in local flood preparedness initiatives. Joining or collaborating with your local Landcare group is a great way to contribute and gain support. Landcare groups work together to apply for grants and undertake works. You can find and contact your local Landcare coordinator here: <https://landcare.nsw.gov.au/groups>

Don't wait until it's too late—start implementing these measures today to protect your home and loved ones.

Your proactive steps can significantly reduce the impact of floods on your property.

Here's what you do:



Assess Your Property:
Identify areas that are most vulnerable to flooding. Discover your soil type.



Create and Implement a Flood Management Plan:
Develop a comprehensive plan tailored to your property's needs.



Implement Preventative Measures:
Install barriers, plant resilient species, improve drainage, and consider flood-proofing techniques. Widen your vegetation (corridors, riverbank, garden)



Explore Funding Opportunities:
Look for grants and financial assistance programs to support your flood resilience efforts.



Stay Informed:
Keep up-to-date with the latest flood warnings and weather updates.



WORKSHEET

Flood readiness action plan

Drawing a map of your property will help identify:

- Areas on the property that are vulnerable to risk of flooding and/or erosion (sensitive areas such as streams, wetlands, waterways, low lying areas, etc)
- What resilience measures and strategies you can undertake for each risk area

It will be helpful for you to draw a map that includes things such as buildings, fences, fields, streams, riparian zone, roads and other items that may be important. The more detailed the map is the more useful it is as a tool for management and planning of risks. You can use the key below to get started.


KEY	 River/stream	 Road	 Native vegetation	① _____
	 Building	 Fences	 Water storage	② _____
	 Riparian zone	 Cropping	 Risk area	③ _____

Draw your map here

Mitigation strategies

Establish or maintain vegetated riparian zone	Use fences	Use logs and/or earthworks	Use water retention basins
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After drawing your property...

<p>1. Which areas of your property can you identify as being at risk of flooding? (Mark them on the map )</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>	<p>2. What strategies can you use to mitigate these risks? (Mark on the map or draw a line from the strategy to the risk area).</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>
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