

WARNING TO THE PUBLIC AND EMERGENCY SERVICES WHEN ACCESSING FLOODED AREAS IN BOATS AND FLOTATION DEVICES

ELECTRICITY NETWORK CLEARANCE MAY BE AFFECTED BY THE FLOODWATER LEVEL



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ESB Networks is warning members of the public and emergency services to be vigilant when moving around flooded areas in boats and other flotation vehicles.

The electricity network is designed to have ample clearance for access and egress during normal conditions. However, when areas are flooded, this clearance level may be affected.

The electricity network is live and should not be approached. Electricity wires are dangerous even at close proximity and where clearance is compromised, you should not pass under them.

If you see any sagging electricity wires or wires submerged in water, please do not steer your boat over these. Do not use oars or anything else to lift or move electricity wires. Please report any poor clearance issues immediately to ESB Network at 1850 372 999.

ESB Networks is currently assessing the electricity network in flooded areas to assess damage and identify safety issues.