Euroa: Local Emergency Action Plan (LEAP)



Euroa's local risks are:

Flood, Fire and Storm





The aim of this action plan is to build greater community resilience in emergencies by increasing the awareness of our local emergency risks and the steps that community and individuals can take to prepare, respond to and recover from these emergencies.

Strathbogie Shire Council acknowledges the Taungurung peoples as Traditional Custodians of the Euroa township area. We recognise and respect the enduring relationship they have with their lands and waters, and we pay respects to the Elders past, present and emerging.

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Emergency preparedness

Preparation is key

For more information scan the QR code below or visit www.strathbogie.vic.gov. au/services/emergencypreparedness



In an extreme weather event power, water, telecommunications, and transport networks may be impacted, causing disruptions and isolation to households and communities.

Emergency services will have high demand in an emergency event. As a part of your emergency plan, households should be prepared for up to 72 hours of isolation.

Prepare a household emergency kit. For warnings and updates, download the VicEmergency app and have a battery powered radio ready. Monitor warnings and be prepared to act.

Emergency management is a shared responsibility between individuals, communities, Council and agencies. Preparation is key to reducing impacts and to supporting emergency services.

Check the risk in your location:

Scan the QR codes or visit the listed web addresses. Internet Access is available at Euroa Library.



Flood, Storms: SES - www.ses.vic.gov.au

Search 'Euroa Local Flood Guide'



Flood: GBCMA - www.gbcma.vic.gov.au

Search your address on the

Community Flood Intelligence Portal



CFA - www.cfa.vic.gov.au Fire:

Add 'Euroa' to location on the banner then 'view my local information'

Prepare your household emergency plan:

All hazards:

RediPlan - www.redcross.org.au/prepare

Bushfire: www.cfa.vic.gov.au/plan-prepare

Flood and Storm: www.ses.vic.gov.au/plan-and-stay-safe

Medical advice

Nurse On Call:

1300 60 60 24

Speak with a registered Nurse for health advice, 24/7

Victorian Virtual **Emergency** Department:

Register at: www.vved.org.au For non-life-threatening emergencies via video consultation

Euroa Health Urgent Care (24/7) **(**03) 5795 0221

www.euroahealth.com.au/urgent-care

Non urgent Police assistance Non Urgent Police Assistance Line & Online Reporting:

131 444

www.onlinereporting.police.vic.gov.au Report non-urgent crimes or events, 24/7

In an emergency

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Life threatening emergency:

Fire, Ambulance, Police:

9 000

Non-life threatening emergency:

Floods and Storms (SES):

132 500

Warnings and updates:

Download the VicEmergency App on Apple App Store or Google Play

1800 226 226 VicEmergency:

www.emergency.vic.gov.au

ABC Local 97.7 FM

Seven Creeks water level

(Euroa Gauge):

Radio:

www.bom.gov.au/fwo/ IDV67208/IDV67208.

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Bushfire Place Of Last Resort:

A Bushfire Place of Last Resort does not guarantee your safety, and is only used if all other bushfire plans have failed.

Euroa Swimming Pool Carpark

16A Bury Street Euroa

Emergency Relief Centre:

Open subject to approval of Incident Controller

Euroa Showgrounds - 16 Frost Street Euroa

Council Offices - 109A Binney Street Euroa

Stock or trees on roads:

Strathbogie **Shire Council**

1800 065 993 (24 hrs)

Individual important information:

Key personal contacts, your family's meeting place if you become separated, the best evacuation routes from your house, medications to take with you etc

Translating and Interpreting Service (TIS): **2** 131 450

Vicdeaf: **(**03) 9473 1111 Euroa's Local Emergency Action Plan (LEAP)

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LEAP Background

This LEAP will be updated as required.

To ensure you have the latest version scan the QR code or visit www.strathbogie.vic. gov.au/services/emergency-preparedness/local-emergency-action-plans-leaps/





In March 2023 a steering group was established to help guide the development of a LEAP for Euroa. A community meeting was held to invite the community's input on May 24, 2023. This LEAP has been prepared based on the Euroa community's feedback with the support of the Euroa LEAP steering group. Council thanks the Euroa community and the participating agencies for their contributions to the development of this plan.

LEAP Priority Actions

Theme 1: Flood

Action	Timeframe	Lead
1.1 Target awareness and education for property owners/occupiers impacted by 1 in 50 years	Ongoing	SES/Council
1.2 Use flood mapping to determine priority areas for sandbagging based on various maximum flood levels	June 2024	GBCMA/Council
1.3 Install flood level markers to promote community awareness in those areas impacted by 1 in 50 year flooding events	October 2024	SES/Council
1.4 Potential for rate notices to include individual flood information	Annually	Council
1.5 Potential for balloon devices or non-return valves for pipes. Survey required of all pipes discharging to Seven Creeks	December 2024	Council
1.6 Need for a sandbag location on the Benalla side of Burtons Bridge, for when bridge closes (level 5.0m)	June 2024	Council
1.7 Explore 24hr access to Council Yard for CFA and other volunteers	June 2024	SES/Council
1.8 Distribution of fridge magnets with flood information	December 2023	SES/Council
1.9 Information on where to collect sandbags and how to use	as required	SES/Council

Theme 2: Fire (Target the interface of the urban with rural properties.)

Action	Timeframe	Lead
2.1 Need for community fire preparation information	Sept/Oct (annually)	CFA/Council
2.2 Help with individual fire emergency plans	Sept/Oct (annually)	CFA/Council
2.3 Council's fire prevention and roadside spraying programs	August to December (annually)	Council

Theme 3: Storm

Action	Timeframe	Lead
3.1 Need for a generator at the Service Station/s to ensure fuel continuity (esp. for emergency services vehicles).	Ongoing	Council (Advocacy program)

Theme 4: Communication

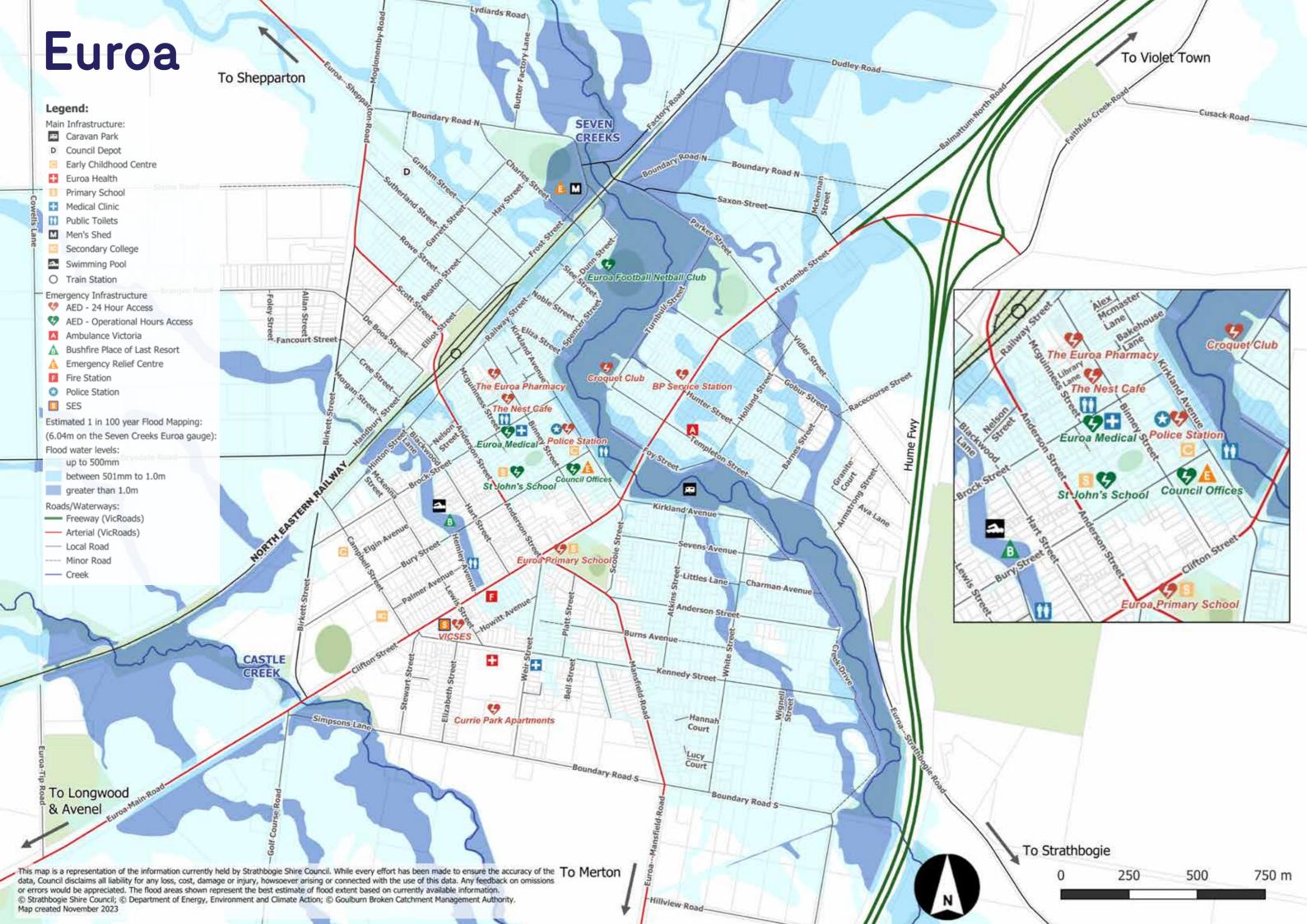
Action	Timeframe	Lead
4.1 Need for information on cusp of emergency event. (Could utilise local service members to help brief community members)	as required	CFA/SES/Council More difficult for fire than flood as BOM warnings can be 3–4 days in advance for flood compared to hours for a fire.
4.2 Community meeting (post emergency event)	as required	CFA/SES/Council
4.3 Explore use of siren warnings where there's a potential impact on the Euroa community	March 2024	Agencies/Council
4.4 Advocacy for more reliable telecommunications, internet access and power supply	Ongoing	Council (Advocacy program)

Theme 5: Education / awareness

Action	Timeframe	Lead
5.1 In school programs	Ongoing	CFA/SES
5.2 General emergency management planning for households (RediPlan)	March (annually)	Red Cross/Council

Theme 6: Community good neighbour support initiative

Action	Timeframe	Lead
6.1 Buddy System/Vulnerable People Potential for a register to be created so people can highlight their need for assistance in an emergency	December 2024 and ongoing	Community to nominate a lead group(s)
6.2 Develop QR code to pre-load details of people who can volunteer goods/ services in an emergency. (Needs to be in place before an event, so it can be utilised in an event)	June 2024 and ongoing	Community group(s) to be identified to coordinate



Connected communities are resilient communities

Euroa's community strength	The residents of Euroa are very community focused with high rates of participation in local organisations and emergency services.		
	The town is well served by various facilities including shopping centre, schools, a hospital, various GP clinics and has good access to major road and railway services.		
	The Euroa community has many groups and organisations that are often on the lookout for new members and volunteers. Visit www. visiteuroa.org.au to find out how to join up and get involved.		
CFA, SES and Red Cross:	Euroa CFA email: euroafirebrigade@gmail.com		
Volunteers welcome!	Euroa SES email: euroa@ses.vic.gov.au		
Further information: www.cfa.vic.gov.au www.ses.vic.gov.au	The Red Cross, SES and your local CFA consist largely of volunteers, and are always on the lookout for new members. There are a variety of roles available in these organisations, and the benefits are mutual.		
www.redcross.org.au/volunteer	Learn new skills, and grow your networks.		
Community and sporting groups and organisations	For further information visit: www.visiteuroa.org.au		
Notes:			