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# 2024

# MULTI-AGENCY FLOOD RESCUE SYMPOSIUM

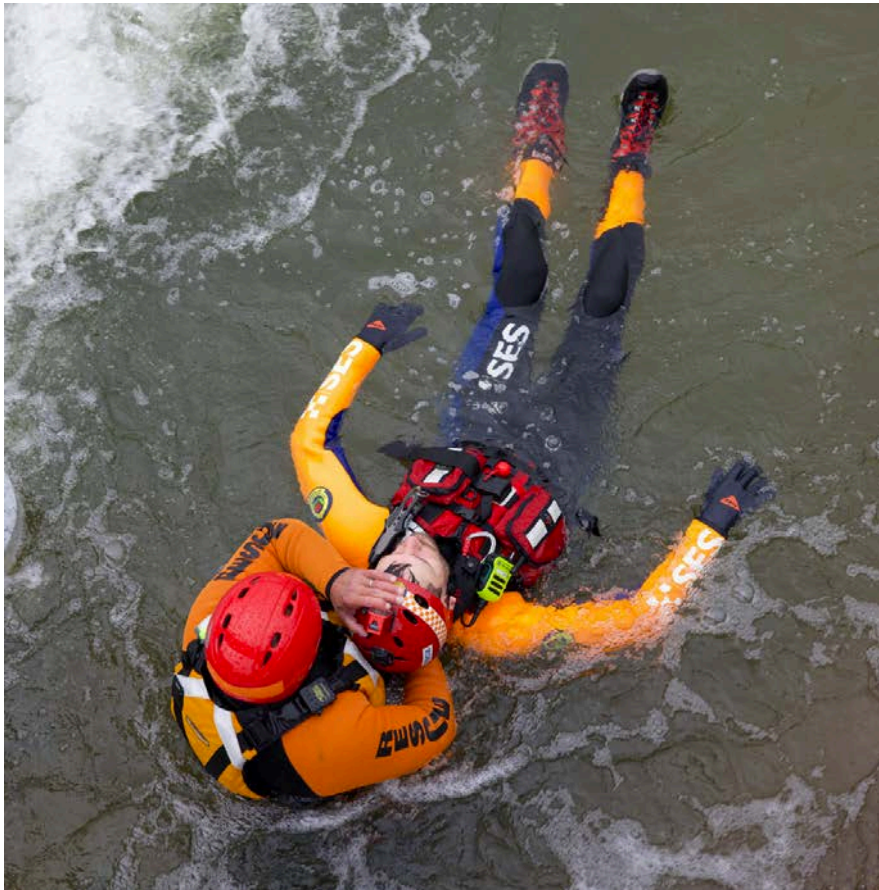
Responding to the Deluge: Extreme Flood Rescue Operations

8-10 NOVEMBER | SYDNEY NSW

CONFERENCE | WORKSHOPS | MULTI-AGENCY FLOOD RESCUE EXERCISE



# Introduction



**The frequency and scale of flood disasters, particularly in recent times, demands consistent high-level flood rescue capability across emergency service organisations within NSW, as well as Australia and internationally.**

Held over 3 days, the Multi-Agency Flood Rescue Symposium provides an opportunity for flood rescue experts from around the world to share, learn and take best-practice flood rescue skills back to their broader teams, with flow-on benefits for their respective communities.

Fast-moving flood water is one of the most dangerous natural environments rescue personnel can work in. The Penrith Whitewater Training Facility – where the Symposium is to be held – provides a setting in which first response agencies can practice for the real thing.

# Symposium Focus

## INTENT

NSW SES aims to build relationships between emergency service organisations to promote increased safety, effectiveness, and efficiency to improve how we collectively respond to, manage, and prepare for flood rescue emergencies. Flood rescue is complex, in the nature of the operating environment and due to the utilisation of responders and resources across a range of emergency service organisations. **This Symposium will serve as a vehicle for maintaining existing inter-agency flood rescue capability.**

## SYMPOSIUM TOPICS

- Flood Rescue Training & Development
- Flood Rescue Technique Enhancement
- Inter-Agency Flood Operations
- Flood Rescue Management and Coordination
- Flood Rescue Facility Operations
- Flood Rescue Research & Development
- Contextualised Leadership



# Streams

## SENIOR LEADERSHIP



### AUDIENCE

Senior Leadership of NSW, Interstate and International involved in Flood Rescue.

### ACTIVITIES INCLUDE

Conference

**1-DAY REGISTRATION**  
(FRIDAY ONLY)

## IN-WATER STREAM



### AUDIENCE

Flood Rescue In-Water Operators/Rescue Technicians

### ACTIVITIES INCLUDE

Conference  
In-Water Skill Workshops  
Mass-Casualty FR Exercise

**3-DAY REGISTRATION**

## ON-WATER STREAM



### AUDIENCE

Flood Rescue On-Water Operators/Rescue Boat Technicians

### ACTIVITIES INCLUDE

Conference  
Rescue Scenario Rotations  
Mass-Casualty FR Exercise

**3-DAY REGISTRATION**

## COORDINATOR STREAM



### AUDIENCE

Flood Rescue Coordinators, Incident Controllers/Commanders

### ACTIVITIES INCLUDE

Conference  
EM Policy Workshop & Desktop Exercise  
Mass-Casualty FR Exercise

**3-DAY REGISTRATION**

# Agenda

<b>FRIDAY 8 NOVEMBER</b> WESTERN SYDNEY CONFERENCE CENTRE	<b>FLOOD RESCUE CONFERENCE:</b> WESTERN SYDNEY CONFERENCE CENTRE	1000 - 1800
	<b>NETWORKING EVENT:</b> PULLMAN HOTEL	1900 - 2000
<b>SATURDAY 9 NOVEMBER</b> PENRITH WHITEWATER STADIUM	<b>COORDINATOR STREAM:</b> EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT POLICY WORKSHOP, DESKTOP EXERCISE	0830 - 1630
	<b>IN-WATER / ON-WATER STREAM:</b> SKILL DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOPS, RESCUE SCENARIOS	0830 - 1630
	<b>NETWORKING EVENT:</b> PULLMAN HOTEL	1900 - 2000
<b>SUNDAY 10 NOVEMBER</b> PENRITH WHITEWATER STADIUM	<b>MAJOR FLOOD RESCUE EXERCISE:</b> ALL PARTICIPATION STREAMS	0900 - 1400

*\*All times subject to change*

## PRESENTATION SUBMISSIONS

Eager to contribute your insights and expertise at the symposium? We invite you to showcase your valuable learnings. Submit a presentation proposal to [FRsymposium@ses.nsw.gov.au](mailto:FRsymposium@ses.nsw.gov.au) by 25th September 2024.

# Eligibility

- All NSW, Interstate and International agencies are invited to participate.
- Individuals must have the relevant qualifications, capability and/or experience for their nominated Stream.
- Registration for Coordinator, In-Water and On-Water Streams is for 3 days (Friday - Conference, Saturday - Workshops and Sunday - Exercise)
- Registration for the Conference only (Friday) is open to all agency Senior/Executive Leadership.
- Registration is free, including:
  - Access to all Symposium venues
  - Catering for all Symposium activities
- Agencies are responsible for travel, accommodation and incidental costs for their respective delegates.



For more information, please reach out to the Symposium organisers via email:

**[FRsymposium@ses.nsw.gov.au](mailto:FRsymposium@ses.nsw.gov.au)**

# Registration

## REGISTRATION PROCESS

Complete the online registration form. Registrations close 15th September for NSW SES members/ 20th September for external agencies.

Places are limited - agencies will be contacted to endorse and prioritise registrations across Symposium streams.

Participants will be confirmed and notified by 4th October via email.

Participant information packages/joining instructions to be distributed mid-October.

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Registration Link

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We acknowledge the Deerubbin people the Darug Nation who are the Traditional Custodians of the Land on which the Multi-Agency Flood Rescue Symposium takes place.

We also pay our respect to the Elders both past and present of the Darug Nation.