

Crabbes Creek Public School

Flood Recovery Update

May 2022

Supporting flood-impacted schools

The NSW Department of Education is coordinating an emergency response effort that is unprecedented in terms of scale and impact. A large number of schools in the Northern Rivers region have damage to either the entire site or some buildings and facilities.

What is happening at Crabbes Creek Public School?

Most of the buildings at Crabbes Creek Public School were inundated with flood waters, however, there has been no structural damage.

Students have returned to learning at the “pop-up” school on the Crabbes Creek Public School site.

Current status

- Four temporary demountable buildings have been installed to allow staff and students to return to learning at Crabbes Creek Public School.
- The Crabbes Creek Public School site has been made safe. The school has been cleaned, and the site has been secured.
- Internet and phone reception has been restored to the site.
- Toilets on the site have been cleaned, re-lined and are now operational.
- Softfall material is being replaced so students can use the playground area in the near future.
- The canteen has been approved for use again.
- Planning and due diligence is underway to understand the scope of work required to meet local needs for permanent or like for like education infrastructure.
- Tenders have opened for the procurement of a main works contractor to rebuild flood-impacted facilities and spaces.

Next steps

Tender evaluations and contractor award of the main works contractor are forecast to be complete by July 2022.

The forecast completion of the main works program is by the end of Term 1, 2023, pending site and weather conditions and availability of resources.

What else is happening in the region?

The local School Infrastructure NSW office has inspected all schools in flood-impacted areas and has removed rubbish, cleaned and secured affected sites to ensure they are safe. Teams are repairing and remediating schools that were damaged during the floods and assessing works needed to rebuild the worst affected schools.

Most students are back at their usual schools, while some students have been relocated to alternative sites so that their learning can continue while school repairs or rebuilding is underway.

We thank you for your patience during this important program of work. We will continue to share information with you as work progresses.

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