

Lower Gascoyne River Flow Advice No. 01 2024

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Rainfall associated with Tropical Cyclone Lincoln is predicted across the Lyons and Gascoyne River catchments over the weekend.

If heavy rainfall should occur only in the lower section of the Gascoyne River between the Fishy Pool and Nine Mile Bridge gauging stations, the department will be unable to provide advice on a potential river height and its timing until a river reaches Nine Mile Bridge.

Advice received from DFES, under a worst case scenario, is a that a Red Alert may be issued for 8:00 am on Saturday 24th February. This will limit the timing for growers to remove any irrigation infrastructure from the river.

Irrigators should consider their situation and whether to remove their equipment from the riverbed prior to Saturday 24th February.

Growers should refer to DFES and the Bureau of Meteorology for regular updates as the Tropical Cyclone path is highly variable at this stage.

The Department of Water and Environmental Regulation will continue to closely monitor the catchment and river levels. A River Flow Advice update will be provided if conditions in the catchments change.

This advice can be heard by calling **1800 674 897**. River level and rainfall data can be accessed at the Bureau of Meteorology at http://www.bom.gov.au/wa/flood/index.shtml or The Department's website www.water.wa.gov.au/waterinformation/wir/reports/publish/704139/te3.htm

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