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BUREAU OF METEOROLOGY
Queensland Region
Flood Warning Centre

Media: The Standard Emergency Warning Signal should NOT be used with this warning.

FLOOD WARNING FOR THE BALONNE RIVER
Issued at 10:55am on Friday the 15th of February 2008
by the Bureau of Meteorology, Brisbane.

The main flood waters are in the Balonne River in the Surat area causing moderate flooding.

Minor flooding continues to ease in the Balonne River at Warkon where at 6am the river level was 7.71 metres and falling slowly. This level is about 4.5 metres above the Balonne River Bridge.

Moderate flooding is occurring downstream at Surat where at 9am the river level was 7.40 metres and rising. A peak of about 7.6 metres is expected during the weekend.

River rises and minor flooding are occurring further downstream on the Balonne River at Weribone. Minor to moderate flooding is expected to extend downstream of Beardmore Dam during next week.

The next warning will be issued about 11am Saturday.

Weather Forecast : [issued 0440 Friday]

Mostly fine, isolated showers in the far east. Moderate SE to E winds.

Latest River Heights in metres include : [* denotes automatic station]

Balonne R at Warkon	7.71m falling slowly	at	600am Fri 15/02/08
Balonne R at Surat	7.40m rising slowly	at	900am Fri 15/02/08
Balonne R at Weribone *	7.71m rising	at	810am Fri 15/02/08
Balonne R at Beardmore Dam *	-0.01m steady	at	600am Fri 15/02/08
Balonne R at St George	3.36m rising	at	930am Fri 15/02/08
Balonne R at Whyenbah	3.79m rising slowly	at	900am Fri 15/02/08

Warnings and River Height Bulletins are available at <http://www.bom.gov.au/hydro/flood/qld> . Flood Warnings are also available on

telephone 1300 659 219 at a low call cost of 27.5 cents, more from mobile, public and satellite phones.

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