

## Media Release

## Floods inquiry probes readiness and response

Victoria's major floods of October 2022 are subject to a parliamentary inquiry, which is calling for <u>public submissions</u>.

The Legislative Council Environment and Planning Committee will investigate the state's preparedness for and response to the disaster.

"This inquiry will look into the flood event as a whole and the areas affected," Committee Chair Sonja Terpstra said.

"It will consider what caused or contributed to the flooding and the adequacy and effectiveness of early warning systems."

Emergency services, government policy, flood mitigation strategies, the Flemington Racecourse flood wall and the Victorian Planning Framework will also be key to the inquiry.

The Committee is accepting written submissions until 8 May 2023 and intends to hold public hearings in flood-affected regions.

For the full terms of reference and other information go to the <u>flood inquiry</u> website.

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