

13 – 14 November 2014 Mildura, Victoria

Call for Abstracts

You are invited to submit an Abstract to the 2014 Flood Forum of Victoria to be held in Mildura from 13-14 November, 2014.

The theme of the 2014 forum is *Expanding Stakeholder Engagement*, which recognises floodplain management and flood response requires cooperation from multiple agencies and the community.

Consultants, researchers, and all others with an interest in floods and floodplain management are invited to submit abstracts for presentations. Successful applicants will be asked to develop a PowerPoint presentation based on their Abstracts. No formal papers will be required, although presentations are requested to be provided in advance of the forum

Attendees at the inaugural Flood Forum will include floodplain managers, urban planners, water authorities, emergency and community services, all tiers of government, researchers, consultants, engineers and land managers. This will provide a unique opportunity for networking and sharing of up-to-date flood information.

In addition, government agencies including Catchment Management Authorities, Melbourne Water, Department of Environment and Primary Industries, State Emergency Services, Municipalities Association of Victoria, and the Bureau of Meteorology will be presenting information on current and proposed activities.

We look forward to receiving your abstract and meeting with you in Mildura in November 2014.

Presentations are encouraged in the following areas:

- · Communicating flood risk
- · Building better relationships between agencies and communities
- · Levee management
- · Cross-border issues
- · Climate adaptation (future challenges and potential solutions)
- · Lessons learnt from recent floods (planning, response, recovery)
- · Insurance issues
- · Case studies of innovative developments (technical, social)

KEY DATES

Deadline for abstract submission: Monday 28 July 2014

Date by which notification of acceptance will be issued: Monday 25 August 2014

Deadline for presenter registration: Monday 8 September 2014 **Deadline for final presentation:** Monday 27 October 2014

Abstracts are to be emailed to: michelle.kelly@depi.vic.gov.au using the Abstract Template which can be found at http://www.malleecma.vic.gov.au/about-us/programs/rivers-and-wetlands/flood-forum-of-victoria.html