Tuesday, 3 November, 2015

SES to distribute sandbags this evening

A number of State Emergency Service (SES) units in Adelaide and regional areas will open this evening to distribute sandbags ahead of the rain and severe weather that is expected to impact parts of the state later tonight.

The 11 units will be open from 6pm through to 8pm.

SES Chief Office Chris Beattie said a total of 90,000 sandbags will be available to home and business owners to help them protect their property from localised flooding.

"Home and business owners will need to pick up the sandbags themselves from our units and source their own sand," Mr Beattie said.

"At a pinch, they could use garden soil to fill the bags but sand is the best option," he added.

SES volunteers at the units will provide advice as to the minimum number of sandbags required by each home or business owner.

The 11 SES units involved in the sandbag distribution are as follows:

Adelaide metropolitan area

- Noarlunga SES unit, cnr Lindsay and Brian roads, Lonsdale
- Campbelltown SES unit, 141 Montacute Road, Campbelltown
- Edinburgh SES unit, 20 Hewittson Road, Edinburgh North
- Metro South SES unit, 33 Beagle Terrace, Lynton

Mount Lofty Ranges/Fleurieu Peninsula

- Mount Barker SES unit, 14 Simper Crescent, Mount Barker
- South Coast SES unit, Elliot Street, Port Elliot
- Murray Bridge SES unit, Thomas Street, Murray Bridge

Riverland

- Renmark SES unit, 129 Eighteenth Street, Renmark
- Berri SES unit, 11 Hughes Street, Berri
- Loxton SES unit, Armstrong Avenue, Loxton
- Barmera SES unit, Tonkin Avenue, Barmera (behind the Shell Service Station)

Information on sandbagging can be found on the SES website www.ses.sa.gov.au under FloodSafe.