



Dam savvy checklist

It is important to understand how dams operate, especially during the storm season and periods of heavy rain.

	What	Why	How
<input type="radio"/>	Know your local dam and its location	Dams are an important part of a water catchment and can pass upstream flows during heavy rain	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Find your nearest Sunwater dam at sunwater.com.au For other Queensland dams, visit dews.qld.gov.au/water/dams
<input type="radio"/>	Understand how local dams work	Understand what the dam is designed to do and the role it plays during heavy rain	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Visit sunwater.com.au/damsavvy to learn how your local dams work and how water is released
<input type="radio"/>	Know how to check dam levels	Monitoring dam levels will provide insight into how much water is flowing in and out of your local dams	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Check the level of your local dam by downloading the Sunwater App or visit the Sunwater website at sunwater.com.au Monitor forecasts and river levels at bom.gov.au Contact your local Council for information relating to road and crossing closures
<input type="radio"/>	Register for Sunwater notifications	Registering for notifications provides you advanced notice of dam outflows so you can monitor local conditions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> If you live immediately downstream of a Sunwater dam, register for SMS updates at sunwater.com.au Download the Sunwater App to receive push notifications when dams are spilling water and to monitor dam levels Follow Sunwater on Facebook and Twitter Contact your local Council for any available weather event advice and emergency notification service
<input type="radio"/>	Check if there are any other waterways near your home	Rising water can come from several sources - expecting flood water to come from your local dam could mean you miss other important warnings relating to a nearby river, creek or stream	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Check if you live on a floodplain or if your property has a history of flooding via your local Council's flood maps or the FloodCheck map - dnrm-floodcheck.esriaustraliaonline.com.au/floodcheck/ Confirm the height at which rivers closest to you spill their banks and how to keep informed with real-time data at bom.gov.au
<input type="radio"/>	Have a plan for heavy rain	Prepare your family and property so you can respond quickly to rising water levels and flooding	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Create your 'WHAT-IF' plan via the Get Ready Queensland website at getready.qld.gov.au Tune your battery powered radio to listen for weather and warning updates

