## **Renmark Paringa** Council Media Statement

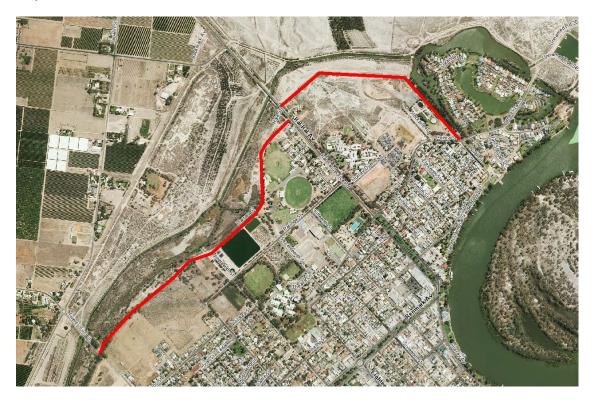
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## **Renmark Paringa Council – Flood Update**

Renmark Paringa Council has commenced assessing the 38-kilometre levee bank network in the Renmark Paringa Council area in collaboration with flood hazard leaders, the Department for the Environment and Water (DEW) and the South Australian State Emergency Services (SES).

Some areas of the network have already been identified as requiring a degree of remediation work. As such, the levee banks surrounding the Renmark Hospital (1.3km) and Hale Street (1.8km) are being prioritised (please see below map for reference). Council has engaged contractors to prepare these levee banks for remediation works commencing today 21 October 2022.

Renmark Paringa Council Mayor Neil Martinson said "We are working as fast as we can and are fortunate that unlike other towns upstream, we have time to prepare. We are anticipating River levels like we haven't seen in quite some time and what we need to focus on is keeping our community safe, connected and informed. DEW and SES are closely coordinating with Council staff in terms of flood preparations. I would like to ask the community to be supportive during this time as there will be officials entering properties in close proximity to water ways to inspect levees."



Council has created a new page on its website, titled 'River Murray Flood Advice' which will contain all Council updates and links to relevant State and Federal Government information sources.

All media enquiries can be directed to: Tony Siviour, Chief Executive Officer on 8580 3000 or email council@renmarkparinga.sa.gov.au

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