

PRIME MINISTER

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FLOODS - CARNARVON, WESTERN AUSTRALIA

The Prime Minister today expressed his concern at the damage to property and hardship caused to individuals by the extensive floods in the Carnarvon area.

I offer my sympathy to those in distress and congratulate the personnel of the State Emergency State Services without whose efforts the extent of this disaster would have been far greater.

I have advised the Premier of Western Australia that the Commonwealth stands ready to provide whatever assistance should prove necessary under the terms of the natural disaster assistance arrangements agreed between the Commonwealth and the State.