HOW WILL I BE NOTIFIED

There are a range of notification methods available to the New South Wales Police Force and other emergency services to assist with notifying and preparing local residents before and during an emergency. These options have been designed to assist all members of the community, regardless of age or cultural background.

During local emergency situations, the New South Wales Police Force and other emergency service organisations, will publish or broadcast general and relevant information via:

- Radio and/or Television
- Social media, including: Facebook, Twitter.
- Area specific information, including the requirement to “SHELTER IN PLACE” or “EVACUATE” will be issued via;
- Standard Emergency Warning Signal
- Commercial Radio Broadcast
- TV Broadcast
- Emergency SMS to all mobile phones within a specific area
- Police and Emergency Services door knock

WHAT MORE CAN I DO

Every Australian should know how to prepare for both a natural disaster and an emergency situation. The Botany Bay Precinct Emergency Plan is an authorised sub plan under the New South Wales State Emergency Management Plan and can be readily located on the internet, http://www.emergency.nsw.gov.au/plans/subplans. We encourage all residents of the local area to view this material or the links below:

Botany Bay City Council
http://www.botanybay.nsw.gov.au

Randwick City Council
http://www.randwick.nsw.gov.au

The Botany Bay Local Emergency Management area includes the Local Government area of Botany Bay and part of Randwick. It covers all land, water and foreshores from La Perouse to Endeavour Bridge, Kyeemagh including the Council boundaries of Botany Bay City Council and Randwick City Council.

The Precinct covers an area of about 2675 ha, encompassing Sydney Airport, Port Botany, approximately 25% of Botany Bay waters and the suburbs of Mascot, Botany, Eastlakes, Banksmeadow, Hillsdale, Pagewood, Eastgardens, Matraville, Daceyville and part of Rosebery. It is bounded by Gardeners Road to the north, Bunnerong Road to the east, Beauchamp Road to the south and Alexandria Canal/Botany Bay to the west.
The Botany Bay Precinct Emergency Plan is designed to provide a consistent approach and method of dealing with emergency situations within the precinct. This information pamphlet provides the local community with the best practice principles for planning and implementing protective actions during potential airborne hazards caused by industrial or transport accidents.

**THE BOTANY BAY PRECINCT**

As a resident within the Botany Bay Precinct, we appreciate that you may be aware of the surrounding industrial facilities. Each of these facilities has the potential to present hazards and in some cases, emergency situations for the community.

The New South Wales Police Force, in conjunction with the NSW State Government and other agencies has created an advanced, yet simple plan to guide the response to an emergency.

Within the precinct there are six major zones which have been identified and incorporated accordingly into the plan.


Exclusion zones extending to both 500m and 1000m have been created for each of these facilities and will be implemented by police should the need arise to do so. Each exclusion zone incorporates a number of road closures.

In most instances, an initial isolation/exclusion zone is the only action required to protect the public and manage the incident.

**SHELTER IN PLACE – (SIP)**

Sheltering inside your home or a building during an emergency can provide immediate and adequate protection from contaminated air.

If advised to shelter in place, you need to complete the following steps to ensure maximum protection.

Remember:

1. **Close all doors and windows.**

2. **Turn off and block all air conditioning vents.**

3. **Listen to local commercial radio stations, TV or visit one of the websites listed in the “How will I be notified” section.**

For the majority of emergency situations, the local community will be unaffected and will continue to function as normal.

**EVACUATION**

In some cases local evacuations may be required.

Levels of evacuation:

**Precautionary Evacuation:**

Commonly used where:

- There is potential of hazardous chemical release resulting from an incident.
- It is likely that part of a community not directly affected by the incident may become affected at some stage.

**Responsive Evacuation:**

Commonly used when:

- Outdoor air concentrations are expected to exceed community exposure levels.

**EVACUATION CENTRES**

Various locations have been identified as evacuation centres and are contained within both the City of Botany Bay and the City of Randwick council areas. If an evacuation is required, you will be informed of the closest evacuation centre and the preferred route to travel.