

# In Photos: Ukraine Evacuates Civilians, Animals from Devastating Flooding in Kherson

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Thousands of people in southern Ukraine have been forced to flee their homes after the Kakhovka dam — a critical dam holding back a massive reservoir on the Dnipro River — was destroyed early Tuesday. In the hours since, the fast-rising waters have prompted emergency rescue efforts in the partially occupied Kherson region, with fears of a humanitarian and ecological disaster showing no sign of abating. Ukraine and Russia have traded blame for the dam's destruction 15 months into Moscow's full-scale invasion of its neighbor. Ukraine's deputy prosecutor-general has said some 40,000 people will need to be evacuated on both sides of the river. Here is a look at the rescue efforts:



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