

Emergency Risk Management Community Survey

The Council of Australian Governments (COAG) directed that a review would be conducted of Australia's natural disaster relief and mitigation arrangements. The report entitled "*Natural Disasters in Australia, Reforming Mitigation, Relief and Recovery Arrangements*", was released in February 2004, having been endorsed in principle by the Australian Government, all State and Territory Governments and the Australian Local Government Association.

The Council of Australian Governments (COAG) review into Natural Disasters in Australia requires all local government areas to develop a natural disaster mitigation strategy by December 2006.

The emergency risk management process supports the negotiation and development of shared responsibilities necessary for the establishment of effective arrangements within Local Government Areas.

Emergency Risk Management aims to reduce the potential effects of emergency events through a comprehensive approach of prevention, preparedness, response and recovery. All Local Government areas throughout Australia are required to use emergency risk management processes in developing and reviewing emergency management arrangements for their communities.

Key to the project is community consultation to ensure that planning and management arrangements are well understood by the community and relevant to your needs. Events that cause disruption and damage to communities may occur at any time and without warning.

Your Local Emergency Management Committee is working to ensure that, the community, emergency services personnel, recovery workers and administrators are adequately prepared.

To assist in this process you are asked to complete the following community survey.

1. Are you aware of the local emergency management arrangements for your shire

Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Please tick the appropriate box

The development of emergency management arrangement (Plans) are an important element or ensuring an effective and appropriate level of response in an emergency

2. What level of importance do you place on the development of these plans by the Local Emergency Management Committee

High	<input type="checkbox"/>	Moderate	<input type="checkbox"/>	Low	<input type="checkbox"/>	None	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Please tick the appropriate box

In your opinion what is the likelihood of the following emergencies occurring with within your community

Please circle the appropriate response

Type of emergency	Low									High
Bridge Collapse	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Building Collapse	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Coastal Erosion	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Communicable Disease – affecting animals	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Communicable Disease – affecting Humans	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Cyclone / Tornado	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Dam Failure	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Earthquake	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Fire Bush	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Fire Residential/Commercial	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Flood	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Hazardous Materials	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Industrial Accident	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Infestation of animals	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Land Subsidence										
Landslip/Rock	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Pollution	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Storm Surge	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Terrorism	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Transport Accident –Road/Rail	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Transport Accident –Sea	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Tsunami	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10

Community lifelines can be compromised during an emergency, please rate the following in order of importance to you

Please circle the appropriate response

Type of facility	Importance				
Admin – Govt Agencies	1	2	3	4	5
Airport	1	2	3	4	5
Commercial Outlets	1	2	3	4	5
Communications	1	2	3	4	5
Cultural & religious Icons	1	2	3	4	5
Hospital, medical centres	1	2	3	4	5
Industries	1	2	3	4	5
Livestock & crops	1	2	3	4	5
Other	1	2	3	4	5
Port	1	2	3	4	5
Public & recreation Facility	1	2	3	4	5
Radio & Television	1	2	3	4	5
Residential Buildings	1	2	3	4	5
Road & rail systems	1	2	3	4	5
Schools	1	2	3	4	5
Utilities (water,power etc)	1	2	3	4	5

Thank you for completing the survey. Please forward your response to your Local Emergency Management Committee.