

Hon David Crisafulli MP Minister for Local Government, Community Recovery and Resilience

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Dear Mr Laurie Neil

Thank you for your letter of 12 September 2014 about petition 2310-14 and 2303-14 received by the Legislative Assembly.

I acknowledge the request by the petitioners to provide preventative action against riverine flooding in North Rockhampton.

For the petitioners' information, I met with representatives of Rockhampton Regional Council at the Keppel Community Cabinet in Rockhampton on 14 September 2014.

At this meeting Council provided me with detailed information about flood mitigation options in North Rockhampton. I acknowledge the importance of this particular project as I understand it will protect approximately 400 North Rockhampton properties from flooding.

I am very pleased to advise I have now approved funding of \$1,500,000 towards the North Rockhampton flood mitigation project, stage 1, at an estimated cost of \$2,785,650. It is important that the benefits of this project be realised as early as possible and therefore, the Department of Local Government, Community Recovery and Resilience will be working with Council to ensure that all works will be completed by 30 March 2015.

If you require any further information, please contact Ms Jennie O'Connor, Acting Regional Director, Southern Region on (07) 3452 6772 or at jennie.o'connor@dlgcrr.qld.gov.au, who will be pleased to assist.

Yours sincerely

David Crisafulli MP Minister for Local Government, Community Recovery and Resilience