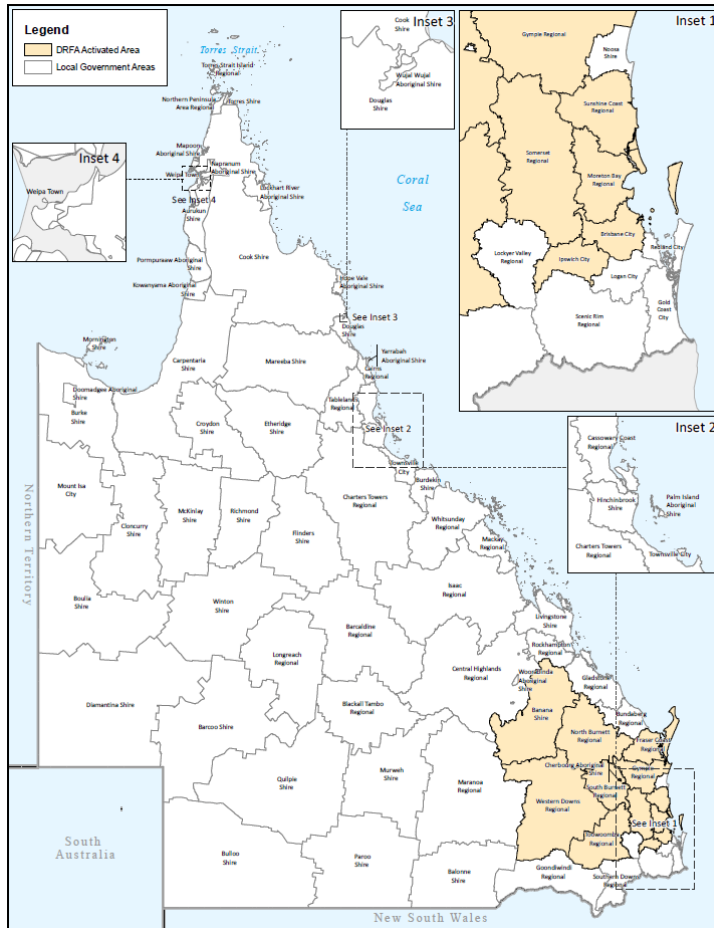


Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements event
Southern Summer Rainfall and Flooding 9 December 2024 to
14 January 2025 (V6)



The Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements (DRFA) is a jointly funded program between the Australian Government and state and territory (state) governments, through which the Australian Government provides financial assistance to support state governments with disaster recovery costs.

In response to the disaster, assistance has been activated for the area formally defined as: *“Communities within Banana Shire Council, Brisbane City Council, Ipswich City Council, Fraser Coast, Gympie, Moreton Bay, North Burnett, Somerset, South Burnett, Sunshine Coast, Western Downs and Toowoomba Regional Councils impacted by Southern Summer Rainfall and Flooding 9 December 2024 to 14 January 2025”.*

DRFA assistance measures (activated by the Queensland Government)

- Counter Disaster Operations
- Disaster Assistance (Not-for-Profit Organisation) Loans
- Disaster Assistance (Essential Working Capital) Loans Scheme for Not-For-Profit Organisations
- Disaster Assistance (Small Business) Loans
- Disaster Assistance (Essential Working Capital) Loans Scheme for Small Business
- Essential Services Safety Reconnection Scheme
- Personal Hardship Assistance Scheme
- Reconstruction of Essential Public Asset

Local Government Area	Counter Disaster Operations	Reconstruction of Essential Public Assets	Disaster Assistance (Not-for-Profit Organisation) Loans	Disaster Assistance (Essential Working Capital) Loans Scheme for Not-for-Profit Organisation	Disaster Assistance (Small Business) Loans	Disaster Assistance (Essential Working Capital) Loans Scheme for Small Business	Personal Hardship Assistance Scheme	Essential Services Safety Reconnection Scheme
Banana Shire Council	24/01/2025	24/01/2025						
Brisbane City Council		24/03/2025						
Fraser Coast Regional Council	20/12/2024	20/12/2024						
Gympie Regional Council	20/12/2024	20/12/2024						
Ipswich City Council	24/01/2025	24/01/2025						
Moreton Bay Regional Council	24/01/2025	24/01/2025						
North Burnett Regional Council	24/12/2024	24/12/2024						
Somerset Regional Council	24/12/2024	24/12/2024						
South Burnett Regional Council	20/12/2024	20/12/2024	17/1/2025	17/1/2025	17/01/2025	17/1/2025	17/01/2025 ¹	17/01/2025 ¹
Sunshine Coast Regional Council	24/01/2025	24/01/2025						
Western Downs Regional Council	24/01/2025	24/01/2025						
Toowoomba Regional Council	24/01/2025	24/01/2025						

¹The PHAS and ESSRS for South Burnett Regional Council is limited to targeted addresses within the impacted area – Contact the Community Recovery Hotline on 1800 173 349 for information about available supports, the application process and eligibility criteria, or for further assistance.

DRFA ASSISTANCE MEASURES ACTIVATED

Personal Hardship Assistance Scheme

To alleviate personal hardship and distress.

- **Emergency Hardship Assistance Grant** – provides assistance as a contribution to support people directly impacted by an eligible disaster to meet their immediate essential needs for food, clothing, medical supplies or temporary accommodation.
- **Essential Services Hardship Assistance** – provides assistance for people directly impacted by an eligible disaster to meet their immediate needs where they have experienced the loss of one or more essential services for more than five days.
- **Essential Household Contents Grant** – provides a contribution towards replacing or repairing essential household contents, such as beds, linen and whitegoods that have been lost or damaged by an eligible disaster.
- **Structural Assistance Grant** – provides a contribution towards repairs or replacement of a dwelling damaged by an eligible disaster, to return it to a safe, habitable and secure condition.

Essential Services Safety and Reconnection Scheme

To assist residents with the inspection and reconnection of essential services that have been damaged by an eligible disaster. The scheme provides financial assistance to individuals and families as a contribution towards safety inspections of and repairs to residential essential services (i.e. electricity, gas, water and sewerage) damaged by an eligible disaster.

Contact the Queensland Government on 1800 173 349

Assistance for state and local governments:

Counter Disaster Operations

To assist local governments and state agencies to undertake activities that alleviate personal hardship and distress, address the immediate needs of individuals and protect the general public, immediately prior to, during or immediately after an eligible disaster.

Contact Queensland Reconstruction Authority on 1800 110 841 or www.gra.qld.gov.au

Reconstruction of Essential Public Assets (including Emergency Works and Immediate Reconstruction Works)

- **Emergency Works**
To assist local and state governments to undertake urgent activities necessary following an eligible disaster to temporarily restore an eligible essential public asset to enable it to operate/be operated at an acceptable level of efficiency to support the immediate recovery of a community.
- **Immediate Reconstruction Works**
To assist local and state governments to immediately and permanently reconstruct damaged essential public assets to pre-disaster function immediately after the eligible disaster.
- **Reconstruction of Essential Public Assets**
To assist local and state governments to reconstruct damaged essential public assets to pre-disaster function.

Contact Queensland Reconstruction Authority on 1800 110 841 or www.gra.qld.gov.au

Assistance for not-for-profit organisations:

Disaster Assistance (Not-for-Profit Organisation) Loans

Concessional interest rate loans to assist not-for-profit organisations whose assets have been significantly damaged by an eligible disaster, to repair or replace the damaged assets.



Disaster Assistance (Essential Working Capital) Loans Scheme for Not-for-Profit Organisation

Concessional interest rate loans to assist not-for-profit organisations that have suffered a significant loss of income as a consequence of an eligible disaster, by providing a concessional loan for essential working capital required to continue operations.

Contact Queensland Rural and Industry Development Authority on 1800 623 946 or www.grida.qld.gov.au

Assistance for small business:

Disaster Assistance (Small Business) Loans

Concessional interest rate loans to assist small business whose assets have been significantly damaged by an eligible disaster, to recover and return to viable operations.

Disaster Assistance (Essential Working Capital) Loans Scheme for Small Business

Concessional interest rate loans to small business who have suffered a significant loss of income as a result of an eligible disaster by providing the essential working capital required to continue business operations.

Contact Queensland Rural and Industry Development Authority on 1800 623 946 or www.grida.qld.gov.au