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# Local Disaster Management Plan Assessment – Sunshine Coast Regional Council

Thank you for completing the 2015-16 local disaster management plan assessment. You will have already received interim results when you completed the assessment. The graph below shows your results for each component of the Standard for Disaster Management in Queensland compared with the district and state averages. Averages across all components show that the majority of local governments are *committed* in achieving the Key Outcomes of the Standard. For your council, more detail on areas for improvement and of potential good practice are on the following pages.



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# Your Results

A summary of your results show that:

- no components are below the state average
- 14 components are at or above the state average.

While these results cannot be compared directly with last year's assessment we note the improvements to your risk management, public engagement, communication systems and recovery arrangements.

### Areas for Improvement

To further improve the effectiveness of your disaster management plan we suggest you refer to the *Fact sheet series: Accountabilities in practice,* located at <a href="https://www.igem.qld.gov.au/">https://www.igem.qld.gov.au/</a>.

#### **Areas of Potential Good Practice**

The following Components you rated as Strengthening or Optimising. We may look at these more closely to assess how they can be best shared with others:

- Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment (Strengthening)
- Hazard Mitigation and Risk Reduction (Strengthening)
- Capability Integration (Strengthening)
- Planning (Strengthening)
- Public Engagement (Optimising)
- Communication Systems (Optimising)
- Warnings (Strengthening)
- Control (Strengthening)
- Command (Strengthening)
- Cooperation and Coordination (Strengthening)
- Operational Information and Intelligence (Strengthening)
- Resource Management (Strengthening)
- Relief (Strengthening)
- Recovery (Strengthening).

## Next Steps

This assessment is based on our joint legislative requirements under the *Disaster Management Act 2003* for reviewing and assessing disaster management plans.

These results provide a snapshot of the likely effectiveness of disaster management plans. Your results will be shared with both the Queensland Fire and Emergency Services and the Disaster Management Unit in the Queensland Police Service to assist you with future improvements to your disaster management plan. A report of these results will also be provided to the Minister for Police, Fire and Emergency Services and Minister for Corrective Services.

These results will provide a benchmark for future years and highlight opportunities for future improvement. The Office of the Inspector-General Emergency Management will use these results to inform future IGEM reviews and help deliver effective disaster management outcomes against the Standard.

