

QUILPIE SHIRE LOCAL DISASTER MANAGEMENT GROUP

EVACUATION & WELFARE SUB-PLAN

SUB-PLAN 1 ADOPTED 02/11/2012

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Purpose

The purpose of this evacuation sub-plan is to provide support to local government when planning and implementing an evacuation of exposed persons within the Quilpie Shire Local Disaster Management Group (LDMG) area of responsibility.

The completion of this plan will support the LDMG to:

- identify local hazards and the population exposed
- map relevant data
- document community education awareness programs before, during and after an event
- document the decision to evacuate
- develop and disseminate user-friendly public information and warnings to the community
- coordinate an organised and coordinated movement of exposed persons to a safer location and their eventual return home.

This sub-plan forms part of the Local Disaster Management Plan (LDMP).

Authority

This plan forms a sub-plan to the Quilpie Shire Local Disaster Management Plan and is developed under the authority of the *Disaster Management Act 2003*. This sub-plan will be managed in accordance with the administrative and governance processes outlined within the Quilpie Shire Local Disaster Management Plan including approval, document control, distribution and review.

Refer to the Evacuation Guidelines in conjunction with other disaster management documents such as, EMA Evacuation Planning Manual (No 11).

Endorsement

, Stuart Mackenzie, Chaii	rperson for the Quiipie Sh	re Disaster Management	Group endorse this plan.
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Mayor Quilpie Shire	Local Disaster Coordinator
Chairperson	Quilpie Shire LDMG
Quilpie Shire LDMG	

Date: 20 / 08 / 2013 Date: 20 / 08 / 2013

Activation

This evacuation sub-plan will be activated by the Quilpie Shire LDMG where the movement of exposed persons to a safer location is required to be coordinated by the LDMG, in close consultation with Charleville DDMG.

Evacuation Committee

If an Evacuation Committee is established by the LDMG, it may assemble upon the activation of this subplan. The committee may also consider business meetings at a minimum every six (6) months to perform planning, review and renew activities associated with the arrangements outlined within this sub-plan. The Evacuation Committee consists of the following members or their nominated delegate (the below list are examples and should be used as prompts only:

Organisation	Position
Local Disaster Management Group	Chair
	Local Disaster Coordinator
Quilpie Shire Council	Manager Engineering Services
	Manager Corporate & Community Services
Queensland Police Service	Officer in Charge of relevant town
State Emergency Service	Local Controller
Queensland Ambulance Service	Officer in Charge
Queensland Fire and Emergency Services	Officer in Charge
Human-social representatives	
Critical infrastructure providers	

^{*} The Committee may co-opt additional members or the assistance of individuals or organisations as circumstances may require. Such personnel and or organisations will be at the discretion of the group.

Local hazards

The following hazards have potential to generate an impact that may require either shelter in place and/or evacuation of exposed members of the various communities within Quilpie Shire:

- flood
- severe weather and thunderstorms
- bush fire
- urban fire
- hazmat Incident
- major traffic accident.

Hazard area

The Quilpie Shire Council covers an area of 67,482 square kilometres and is surrounded by Barcoo and Blackall Shires to the North, Murweh and Paroo Shires to the east and Quilpie Shire to the south. In the Shires of Quilpie and Bulloo, the main ranges are the Grey, McGregor and Willies Ranges. The Willies range forms the catchment boundary of the Quilpie and Paroo Rivers. The Grey Range separates the Cooper

Creek catchment from the Quilpie River. Within the Cooper Creek catchment the McGregor Range divides the catchment, while ranges on the western side of the Cooper Creek at Durham Downs and in the vicinity of Nappamerrie form the boundaries of the limited catchment of Lake Pure.

The Bulloo River, a major drainage system, has its source in the Gowan Ranges north of Adavale. The Quilpie River also has a well-developed flood plain.

TOWN OF QUILPIE:

Quilpie is situated on the Quilpie River approximately 1000 kms west of Brisbane. Major employer is Quilpie Shire Council, however, a large transport industry operates within the area.

TOWN OF EROMANGA:

Eromanga is situated 100 kms west of Quilpie. Major employer being the oil, gas and transport, with a small oil refinery established within the township of Eromanga.

TOWN OF ADAVALE:

Adavale is situated 100 kms north of Quilpie.

RURAL AREAS:

Approximately 700 mainly property owners, their families and station workers on large sheep and cattle properties. Scattered throughout these rural properties are opal mines, very remote and isolated.

The annual average rainfall of the Shire is 254-279 mm, with most rain falling

between December and March. Temperatures range from 2 degrees to 24 degrees

(winter) and 20 degrees to 40 degrees (summer) with mostly dry atmospheric conditions (non-humid).

Population exposed:

The shire of Quilpie has an approximate population of 1400 people in the townships of;

QUILPIE: Approximately 600
EROMANGA: Approximately 50
ADAVALE: Approximately 15
RURAL AREAS: Approximately 400

Vulnerable population

There are no identified vulnerable populations apart from the usual demographics of a rural community such as:

- those with health support needs in local hospitals
- aged population
- people in residential care
- people with disabilities
- transient populations such as tourists.

Evacuation zones

The identified evacuation zones are the:-

Hazard	Zone
Major Flood	Eromanga
	Adavale
Urban fire (Major)	Eromanga

Evacuation Strategy

Figure 1 outlines a pre-determined evacuation strategy for a range of hazards and associated risks.

Figure 1

Quilpie Shire LDMG Evacuation Strategy

Hazard	Exposed Areas	Population Inc. any specific resources required to evacuate	Evacuation Method	Safer Location	Evacuation Route	Estimated Evacuation Timeframe	Transport Issues
Major flood levels	Quilpie	Nil	Shelter in place				
Major flood levels	Eromanga	40	Voluntary evacuation, shelter in place	Eromanga Natural History Museum	None specified	1 hour	None identified
Major flood levels	Adavale	20	Voluntary evacuation, shelter in place	Adavale Sport & Recreation grounds	None specified	1 hour	None identified
Extreme flood levels	Quilpie	50	Voluntary evacuation, shelter in place	Quilpie Hall Bulloo Park (showers, ablution facilities and backup meal preparation and cold storage)	None specified	1 hour	None identified
Extreme flood levels	Eromanga	40	Voluntary evacuation, directed evacuation shelter in place	Eromanga Natural History Museum	None specified	1 hour	None identified
Extreme flood levels	Adavale	20	Voluntary evacuation, directed evacuation shelter in place	Adavale Sport & Recreation grounds	None specified	1 hour	None identified
Severe Weather/thunderstorms (e.g. flash flooding, damaging winds)	All	Varies	Voluntary evacuation, shelter in place	Depends on location	None specified	Varies	Roads may be damaged or inundated by flash flooding
Bushfire Low to severe Fire Danger Rating (FDR)	All	Varies (rural)	Voluntary evacuation, shelter in place	Depends on location	None specified. Depends on direction of fire front	Varies	Visibility may be restricted

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Bushfire Extreme/catastrophic FDR	All	Varies (rural)	Voluntary evacuation, directed evacuation shelter in place	Depends on location	None specified. Depends on direction of fire front	Varies	Visibility may be restricted
Urban fire	Eromanga	40	Voluntary evacuation, directed evacuation shelter in place	Eromanga Natural History Museum Outside town limits in a clear zone Eromanga airport	Quilpie Eromanga Road or Eromanga Thargomindah Road	1 hour	Visibility may be restricted
HAZMAT Incident	Eromanga	40	Voluntary evacuation, directed evacuation shelter in place	Depends on scale/type of event. Possibly Outside town limits in a clear zone. Longer term option Quilpie.	Quilpie Eromanga Road or Eromanga Thargomindah Road	1 Hour	Immediate transport availability.

Community education

Community education uses content and communication systems to disseminate community information to raise awareness through a range of media consider print, social media etc.

A program of Awareness and Education will need to be implemented to inform the Emergency Authorities as to the location and key personnel of Emergency Centres and for the general public in relation to arrangements and procedures in the event of an evacuation. Please refer to Evacuation Warning and Advice form **APPENDIX** A for the template and completed example.

Target group	Community education resources/products	Delivery options
Quilpie Shire Residents/Vulnerable or at risk residents	Refer to 'EMQ Community education Resources Catalogue' (Catalogue of DM related Community engagement resources available for Councils.)	Through QSC to residents as deemed relevant

Community engagement

Community engagement is a process that can be used to actively involve the community in disaster management planning. Due to the small size of the communities no specific community engagement processes are planned.

Decision to Evacuate

The decision to evacuate should be based on a hazard assessment and event intelligence (refer to the Evacuation Guidelines section 7).

Please note: where the event has not previously been detailed in the LDMG Evacuation Strategy, develop relevant data for the event, based on the criteria in the strategy.

Considerations

The considerations listed below are examples and should only be used as prompts (refer to Evacuation Guidelines section 7.4):

- Is evacuation the best option?
- Are there other alternatives?
- Is it possible to evacuate?
- Has a risk assessment been undertaken to inform the decision to evacuate?
- Will it be a staggered evacuation?
- Have any special arrangements for the vulnerable population been considered?

Authority to evacuate

A directed evacuation under the Disaster Management Act (the Act) requires the declaration of a disaster situation. A DDC may declare a disaster situation if satisfied that the requirements of section 64 of the Act have been met. The declaration of a disaster situation requires the approval of the Minister (currently the Minister for Police, Corrective Services and Emergency Services) and must be made in accordance with section 65 of with the Act. During a disaster situation, the DDC and Declared Disaster Officers are provided with additional powers under sections 77-78 of the Act. These powers may be required to give effect to a directed evacuation.

The process of evacuation requires the approval of an appropriate authority (refer to the Evacuation Guidelines section 7.3).

Evacuation Timelines

The timeframes for the effective implementation of an evacuation, relative to each hazard as specified in Figure 1, have been developed based on the following assumptions and criteria (refer to the Evacuation Guidelines section 7.1):

- For urban situations there is a minimal distance to the relocation sites
- Traffic volumes are extremely low

Warnings

When exposed areas and the location of safer areas have been determined, the decision to evacuate exposed members of the community can be made. This information needs to be communicated to the community.

Warning dissemination and methods

The following table documents the agencies responsible for the dissemination of evacuation warnings to exposed populations.

QFRS has responsibility for issuing Emergency Alert for fires and hazardous material incidents.

Exposed Population	Warning Method	Agency primarily responsible for dissemination of warning
General Population	Media releases	LDMG via media contact lists
	Door knocking	Queensland Police Service with assistance from State Emergency Service
	Emergency Alert	Authorising Officer
		SDCC
		LDMG to formally request through DDMG
Hospitals Nursing Homes, Aged Care	Direct contact	LDMG via contact lists
Schools, Daycare	Direct contact	LDMG via contact lists
Shopping Centres	Direct contact	LDMG via contact lists
Tourists	Via Tourism Operators, Accommodation Providers etc	LDMG via contact lists
Caravan Parks, Camping Grounds	Direct contact	LDMG via contact lists
	Park and camping ground check	Queensland Police Service with assistance from State Emergency Service
People with a disability	Methods appropriate to ensure audience understanding	

The development of Evacuation Warnings needs to be prepared by the agency or organisation responsible for managing the hazard. This is done in consultation with the following agencies:

- Quilpie Shire Council
- Department of Community Safety
- Department of Employment, Economic Development and Innovation and Queensland Health
- Queensland Police Services
- Bureau of Meteorology
- Local gas companies
- Local broadcast media outlets
- Local Disaster Management Group

Planning Process must identify the following

- Mayor and/or Local Disaster Coordinator is responsible for issuing the warnings
- Mayor in conjunction with relevant lead agency authorizes the message content.
- Mayor and/or Local Disaster Coordinator provides the alerting and dissemination facilities
- Welfare Coordinator is responsible for assessing the requirements of special needs groups. (hearing impaired, non-English speaking, tourists)

Message Content Format

- The issuing authority (the Mayor or his delegate).
- Date and time of issue.
- An accurate description of the threat (what has happened or is likely to happen)
- Details of area affected.
- Advice on actions to be taken by those receiving the warning.
- What is being done to control/manage the hazard?
- Time next warning will be issued.

Standard messages to the community

The standard 'wording' content contained in evacuation orders and media release statements should be further populated with the details relevant to the event and then utilised across all warning methods to ensure consistent messages are provided to all sectors of the community.

Standard Emergency Alert messages are provided in the Emergency Alert Queensland operational Guidelines.

Message templates are provided in Appendix B and C.

Withdrawal

Evacuation Routes

Self-evacuation and use of personal transport will be advised by the Quilpie Shire Local Disaster Management Group in the event of the need for an evacuation.

The most suitable routes for an evacuation will be identified and clearly marked by the Quilpie Shire Local Disaster Management Group to ensure a controlled access and egress process.

The community halls in Quilpie, Eromanga and Adavale have been identified as the location of assembly area/s for evacuees to move to for registration, information and assistance.

The Welfare Coordinator will coordinate arrangements and assistance for special needs groups (aged, medical, disabled, correctional facilities, etc).

Quilpie Shire Council, Queensland Police Service and local State Emergency Service personnel will provide security of evacuated area/s (roadblocks, traffic control, security patrols).

The Mayor and/or Local Disaster Coordinator will provide briefing/s for agencies and evacuees at assembly areas and emergency accommodation centres to include reason for evacuation, anticipated duration, methods of transport, where to go and how to get there, personal effects, documents and medication to be taken, arrangements for pets/livestock, securing of premises. (turn off power, water, gas, lock up).

Traffic Management Strategy

No traffic management strategies are deemed necessary as any evacuations will be small scale and can be handled by local means on local and state roads.

Transport

Evacuations will be manageable by local transport options.

Security Strategy

No specific security strategies have been detailed at this stage.

Reporting

Regular situation reports on evacuation will be provided to the DDMG.

Shelter

Safer locations

The following table provides a summary of safer locations with some considerations for selecting locations most suitable to the nature of the event, the number of exposed persons and their projected length of stay.

This summary table includes assembly points (AP), neighbourhood safer places (NSP) and evacuation centres (EC).

Suggested Considerations

- Who owns/manages identified facilities and who can access them.
- Who will establish/open the emergency shelter/s. (who has access/keys)
- Staffing hours.
- Transport of evacuees to and from shelter/s.
- Who will maintain/repair shelter/s?

Criteria for Evacuation of Shelters

- How many people will it hold? (with bedding)
- Safe access, egress and parking.
- Location in reasonable safe proximity to incident/disaster site/s.
- Air-conditioned where possible.
- Availability for extended periods.
- Venue known to public.
- Note: Evaluation should also assess the suitability of venues in relation to categories of evacuees (facilities
 with toilets/showers/kitchens/air-conditioning may be better suited to aged, medically impaired, disabled
 persons and young families. Young adults and independently mobile people would be able to transport
 themselves to emergency catering areas and hygiene facilities if they are not available in their allocated
 facilities.

Initial Recovery Services

As indicated in the "Withdrawal" phase, an important component of any evacuation is the establishment of an assembly area for the reception of evacuees. This area should include the following services:

- Registration & Inquiry. (eg lifeline, Red Cross)
- Food/refreshments. (Salvation Army or Roma mobile trailer to assist with emergency catering), Meals on Wheels, Lions Club, P & C Associations, Apex Club, Hospital Auxiliary, QCWA)
- Emergency clothing/personal toiletries. (Opportunity Shop, St. Vincent's de Paul).
- Finance/Insurance. (xxxx Community Centre/Department of Communities)
- Shelter. (Allocation of evacuation centre)
- First Aid. (QAS/Health Clinic personnel)
- Spiritual Services. (Ministers of religion)
- Disaster Event Information updated regularly. (Quilpie Shire Council)

Shelter in place

Outline any specific local information relating to shelter in place (refer to the Evacuation Guidelines section 10).

Evacuation centres

Evacuation centres are to be opened and operational prior to their details being released to the public via an Evacuation Order.

Pets and animals

The issue of the welfare of pets and animals is low risk. Evacuation numbers will be low and evacuees will remain in the general area. Assistance will be provided on a case by case basis.

Summary of Safer Locations

Location Type and Reference	Name	Address	Event Suitability Considerations			Capacity
No.			Wild fire	Flood	Respite	Accomm
Assembly Point 01 Evac Centre 01	Quilpie Town Hall	Brolga Street Quilpie	√	Major Moderate Minor	✓	50
Assembly Point 02 Evac centre 02	Bulloo Park	Buln Buln Street Quilpie	√	Major Moderate Minor	✓	50
Evac Centre 03	Eromanga Natural History Museum	Dinosaur Drive via Mt Margaret Road, Eromanga	√	Major Moderate Minor	√	50
Assembly Point 03	Eromanga Hall	Eromanga	*	Moderate Minor	✓	50
Assembly Point 04	Adavale Hall	Adavale	✓	Moderate Minor	✓	20
Evac Centre 04	Adavale Sport & Rec grounds	Adavale	√	Major Moderate Minor	√	50

Evacuation/Welfare Centre Operation and Management

For the purpose of efficiency and co-ordination, the Evacuation/Welfare arrangements will be managed within the Quilpie Shirel Local Disaster Coordination Centre (LDCC).

Alternative Evacuation and Welfare coordination arrangements may be established at the discretion of the LDC, Welfare Committee Chairperson and in consultation with the Local Emergency Coordination Committees (LECC) of those affected communities.

The Chairperson of the Welfare Committee will be responsible for the staffing of Welfare Centres in consultation with the Local Disaster Coordinator and the LECC.

Return

The decision for the return of evacuees and the development of a return strategy will be undertaken by the LDMG in close consultation with following stakeholders:

- District Disaster Coordinator and relevant District Functional Committees
- QFRS representative
- Electricity provider
- Communications provider
- Local Government operational business unit (as relevant, may include Environmental Health, Water and Sewerage, Roads and Drainage and Building Services).
- Department of transport and Main Roads (where relevant for State-run Road's and infrastructure

The return of evacuees will be dependent on a number of factors. It will be necessary to assess the area against the following criteria to determine if return is possible and identify any special conditions, which may need to be imposed. Documentation of arrangements to deal with the following should be included. Authorisation for return to affected areas will be determined by the Quilpie Shire Council and the Quilpie Shire Local Disaster Management Group representatives.

Considerations for return

- Absence of Hazard.
- Availability, condition and safety of:
 - Accommodation.
 - Utilities. (eg. power, water, sewerage and waste disposal)
 - Public/environmental health.
- Availability of adequate food supplies for returnees.
- Safe transport/access routes.
- Distance to affected area.
- Sufficient resources to return evacuees. (private vehicles/buses/etc)
- Public information on:
 - Prognosis on areas that are and will be accessible in order of priority. This information should also include any special conditions imposed in relation to the 3 return processes.
 - 1. **Temporary:** Access to area to restore/clean up of property. (daylight hours only)
 - 2. **Partial:** Restricted access to those residents whose homes/buildings have been inspected and declared safe and infrastructure and essential services (power/water/sewerage) are restored.
 - 3. *Complete:* Total area is declared safe and unrestricted access authorized.
- Transport schedules.
- Precautions/restrictions (health warnings, etc).
- Health and medical services.
- Food supply and feeding arrangements.

• Financial and welfare/recovery arrangements and services.

Return Strategy

Once it is determined areas are safe for return, a return strategy is to be developed to outline the arrangements necessary to plan and implement an organised return and how that process will be coordinated and managed. The return strategy should address, but is not limited to the following:

- specific areas deemed safe for return
- security of damaged, unsafe structures or infrastructure
- detailed return advice to evacuees
- traffic management plan
- transportation requirements.

Annexure A – Operational Checklist

Evacuation: Operational Checklist

Action	Responsible Agency / Officer	Specific Information	Status			
Decision to Evacuate						
Consider the specific circumstances of the event and review/refine the pre-determined Evacuation Strategy in light of:			Assigned Completed			
- advice from relevant authorities on severity, arrival and impact area;			Completed			
- the applicability of pre-determined vulnerable zones and modification of existing or development of additional maps as required;						
- the nature of the exposed population;						
- the capacity of proposed evacuation routes to support rapid egress given the specific event related conditions;						
- the suitability of safer locations;						
- the requirements of special needs populations and associated actions;						
- specific transport issues						
- the availability of appropriate resources to effectively manage all aspects of the evacuation.						
Consider all aspects with particular emphasis on the time required to			Assigned			
complete the evacuation and the lead time available. Conduct a local risk assessment.			Completed			
Is evacuation the most suitable option?						
Decide on the type of evacuation being contemplated			Assigned			
			Completed			
Define the timeframe for conduct of evacuation if pre-impact			Assigned			

Action	Responsible Agency / Officer	Specific Information	Status
			Completed
Determine the amount of external assistance that will be required to			Assigned
effect evacuation.			Completed
Advise DDC that evacuation decision has been made and make a			Assigned
request for assistance, if required			Completed
Recommend to DDC that directed evacuation is required			Assigned
			Completed
	Resources		
Ensure adequate copies of evacuation zone maps for operational			Assigned
teams			Completed
Check current and predicted status of evacuation routes			Assigned
			Completed
Populate Evacuation Order templates with relevant information			Assigned
including affected zones and sequence of evacuation. Hold pending approval for release			Completed
Confirm and ready warning mechanisms			Assigned
			Completed
Where transportation will be required, review Transport Strategy			Assigned
			Completed
Refine traffic management strategy and stage traffic control devices			Assigned
at required locations			Completed
Confirm evacuation centres, arrange opening, manning of centres			Assigned
and test of communication system back to LDCC			Completed
Activate Evacuation Centre Management / Public Health Sub-plan			Assigned
			Completed

Action	Responsible Agency / Officer	Specific Information	Status	
Where warning mechanisms will include door knocking, mobile			Assigned	
public address systems etc refine grid/locality system to ensure coverage			Completed	
	Warning			
Upon <i>authorisation</i> for release, issue voluntary evacuation advice to exposed population			Assigned	
			Completed	
Provide notice to exposed population facilities to evacuate			Assigned	
			Completed	
Receive <i>authorisation</i> for directed evacuation from DDC, if required			Assigned	
			Completed	
Issue directed evacuation order to the population exposed			Assigned	
			Completed	
Provide evacuation teams with written order to be provided to			Assigned	
members of public			Completed	
Withdrawal				
Activate traffic management strategy			Assigned	
			Completed	
Activate door to door evacuation teams			Assigned	
			Completed	
Activate transport strategy			Assigned	
			Completed	
Ensure evacuation messages continue to be conveyed to public.			Assigned	
			Completed	
Consider the needs of the identified vulnerable population				
Consider tailoring to vulnerable population				

Action	Responsible Agency / Officer	Specific Information	Status
Provide regular situation reports on evacuation to DDMG			Assigned
			Completed
Ensure regular reporting from field teams of completed tasks			Assigned
			Completed
Implementation of security strategy for evacuated areas			Assigned
			Completed
	Shelter		
Ensure evacuation centre management being coordinated through			Assigned
Evacuation Centre Management Sub-plan			Completed
Request and maintain a record of evacuees at evacuation centres			Assigned
use programs such as NRIS			Completed
If evacuees are being registered upon leaving exposed areas, ensure			Assigned
record is being maintained including details of destination			Completed
	Return		
Determine areas that are safe for return with consideration of the			Assigned
following issues:			Completed
- content of impact assessment			
- health and safety issues			
 functioning of utilities; power, water, sewerage and communications 			
- status of repair; clearing and re-opening of roads			
Review and modify the Return Strategy, addressing:			Assigned
- specific areas deemed safe for return			Completed
- security of damaged, unsafe structures or infrastructure			
- detailed return advice to evacuees			
- traffic management plan			

Action	Responsible Agency / Officer	Specific Information	Status
- transportation requirements			
Advise DDMG of Return Strategy			Assigned
			Completed
Consider the needs of the identified vulnerable population			
Issue media release outlining return strategy for evacuees. Distribute			Assigned
return advice to Evacuation Centres and notify special facilities. Consider tailoring advice to vulnerable populations			Completed
Release appropriate information to returning evacuees on			Assigned
reactivation of utilities, damage repairs, clean up and debris removal, types of and contact process of personal – human social recovery support services			Completed
Implement traffic management plan			Assigned
			Completed
Maintain security controls for those areas that cannot be safely			Assigned
reoccupied			Completed
Ensure the coordination of temporary housing for evacuees unable			Assigned
to return to their residences			Completed
Close evacuation centres			Assigned
			Completed
Complete final situation report on evacuation and stand down			Assigned
Evacuation Committee, if this committee has been established			Completed

TOP PRIORITY FOR IMMEDIATE AND FREQUENT BROADCAST

Transmitters serving the area/s of [insert locations] are requested to use the **STANDARD EMERGENCY WARNING SIGNAL** before broadcasting this message.

VOLUNTARY EVACUATION ADVICE

For [insert hazard]

Issued: [Time, Day, and Date]

As a result of the [insert impact e.g. flood level] associated with [insert event] advised by [insert authority e.g. Bureau of Meteorology] for [location] at [date/time]. [Insert name] Local Disaster Management Group is advising residents within the [nominated areas/evacuation zones] to evacuate within the next [number] hours.

Do not delay your evacuation. Roads will be congested or closed. You could become isolated and need rescue. Remaining in those areas nominated for evacuation is dangerous and may place your life at risk.

You are encouraged to relocate to family and/or friends outside the area nominated for evacuation.

As you evacuate you should:

- take your emergency kit, evacuation kit and emergency plan with you (such as cash/cards, bedding, medications & prescriptions and specifics including baby formula, glasses)
- ensure neighbours have received and understand the evacuation order
- turn off the electricity and gas and lock your home
- do not walk or drive through floodwater
- continue listening to your local radio station for further information and instructions.

For assistance or further information telephone the Local Disaster Coordination Centre on < **telephone number**> or view the website at: www.<**insert address**>

The <name> Local Disaster Management Group would appreciate this order being broadcast regularly.

Authorised By: [insert name & operational position title] Message End

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Transmitters serving the area/s of [insert locations] are requested to use the **STANDARD EMERGENCY WARNING SIGNAL** before broadcasting this message.

EVACUATION ORDER

For [insert hazard]

Issued: [Time, Day, and Date]

As a result of the [insert evidence e.g. flood level] advised by [insert authority e.g. Bureau of Meteorology] for [location] at [date/time] the Queensland Police Service is directing residents within the [nominated areas/evacuation zones] to evacuate within the next [number] hours.

[Where more than one evacuation zone is identified, the sequence for movement should be specified. For example: "Evacuation of XXX Zone is to commence immediately and to be completed by no later than XXX hours. Evacuation of the XXX Zone is to commence no earlier than XXXX hours and be completed by XXX hours].

Do not delay your evacuation. Roads will be congested or closed. You could become isolated and need rescue. Remaining in those areas nominated for evacuation is dangerous and may place your life at risk.

You are encouraged to relocate to family and/or friends outside the area nominated for evacuation.

Evacuation centres will be established at [name and address] where you can obtain temporary accommodation and other assistance. The registration of evacuees will be undertaken at evacuation centres, if you do not go to an evacuation centre please telephone [telephone number] to report your safety.

[include any transport arrangements including times and pick up points]

As you evacuate you should:

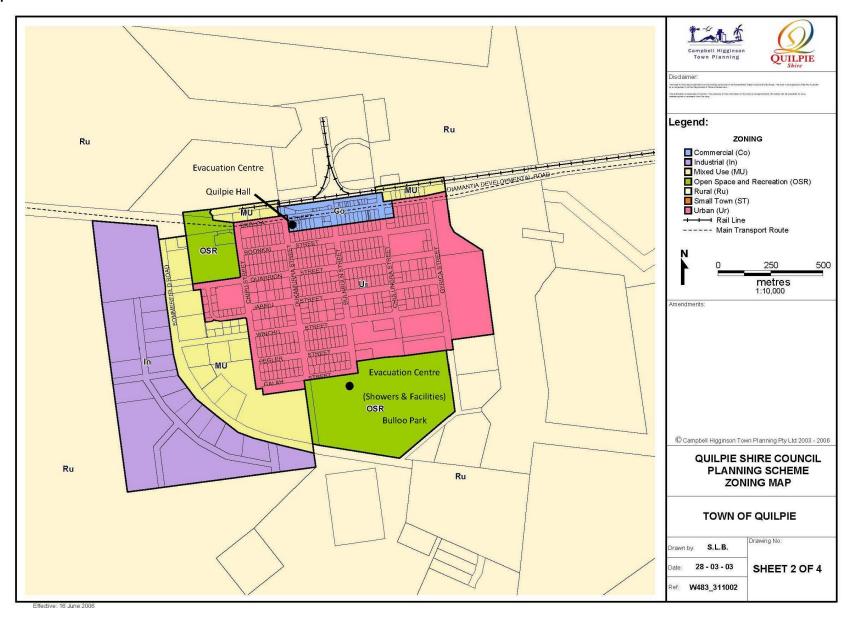
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Quilpie



Eromanga and Adavale

