

**Question on Notice**  
**No. 1012**  
**Asked on Wednesday 7 June 2006**

**MR ROBERTS** asked the Minister for Environment, Local Government, Planning and Women (MS DESLEY BOYLE)–

QUESTION:

What funding programs does her department offer local governments to assist with flood mitigation and will she provide the details of any current applications or recently successful grants which are relevant to the Nudgee Electorate?

ANSWER:

There have been two significant funding programs local governments can access to assist with flood mitigation, the Regional Flood Mitigation Programme and the Local Governing Bodies' Capital Works Subsidy Scheme.

Regional Flood Mitigation Programme

The Regional Flood Mitigation Programme is a joint State and Commonwealth program in which generally provides subsidy as follows:

- Projects for flood warning systems and community awareness – 50% subsidy from the Commonwealth subject to the State also providing 50% subsidy.
- All other flood mitigation works, including such things as levees, detention basins, resident purchase and relocation, warning signage, channel improvements, etc. – 33.3% subsidy from the Commonwealth subject to the State and Local Government each providing 33.3% towards the total cost of the project.

My Department administers the provisions of subsidies to local governments under the Regional Flood Mitigation Programme for both the State and Commonwealth funding.

The Regional Flood Mitigation Programme is currently completing its final round of approvals through my Department and will then be rolled into the Natural Disaster Mitigation Program to be serviced by the Department of Emergency Services as of 1 July 2007.

Local Governing Bodies' Capital Works Subsidy Scheme

The Local Governing Bodies' Capital Works Subsidy Scheme offers subsidies of up to 20% for flood mitigation works. This Scheme is scheduled to finish on 30 June 2006.

Departmental records indicate there are no current applications or recently successful grants under these programs which are relevant to the Nudgee Electorate.

As of 1 July 2008 another funding project will be available when the Environmental Infrastructure Program commences. This Program will provide funding for a variety of environmental infrastructure including flood mitigation.