

**Question on Notice  
No. 1926  
Asked on 14 November 2007**

MRS SCOTT asked the Minister for Emergency Services (MR ROBERTS) -

**QUESTION:**

What is the extent of service to our community from the volunteers of Logan State Emergency Services?

**ANSWER:**

The Logan SES Unit provides an invaluable service to the Logan and district community. It currently has 86 active, highly skilled and professional volunteers based at three SES Groups located at Logan Central, Logan East and Logan West.

From January 2007 until the end of October 2007 volunteer members of the Unit performed over 12,000 hours of service to the Logan community.

The functions of the Unit include flood boat operations, storm damage operations, search and rescue operations, traffic control, community education and providing support to the Queensland Police Service and the Queensland Fire and Rescue Service.

On 31 May 2007 the Unit conducted a protracted emergency operation following a tanker rollover on the southbound M1 exit to the Beenleigh Redland Bay Road. The tanker contained in excess of 50,000 litres of fuel and the exit was blocked for three days. During this period, members of the Logan SES provided invaluable support to the Queensland Police Service and the Queensland Fire and Rescue Service and other emergency services by undertaking traffic control, welfare support and the provision of lighting.

The Logan SES Unit received the South East Region, 'Regional Operation of the Year' award for 2007 for its response to the 31 May 2007 incident. The Unit went on to represent the Region as a State Finalist in this category at the recent SES Week Awards in Brisbane.

The Unit has been exceptionally busy this year and members also responded to 46 calls for assistance following severe storms in the area on 28 October 2007. Additional examples of the Unit's contribution this year include: assisting the Queensland Police Service with nine missing person searches, two forensic searches and four other incidents and providing welfare support to the Queensland Fire and Rescue Service on two occasions.

In addition, members of the Unit assisted at ANZAC Day marches, the Indy 300 event and are currently assisting with the Schoolies Festival at Surfers Paradise.

The Logan SES Unit is a well run and active contributor to its local community and its members selflessly respond to all requests for assistance day or night.