

Question on Notice

No. 46

Asked on 12 February 2014

MR KNUTH asked the Minister for Local Government, Community Recovery and Resilience (MR CRISAFULLI) –

QUESTION:

Will the Minister advise (a) the percentage of local contractors residing in the areas of the Atherton Tablelands Regional Council and Charters Towers Regional Council who have been awarded contracts for road repair through the NDRAA funding program, (b) the names of the contractors who have been awarded contracts under the scheme and (c) where the contractors are from?

ANSWER:

I thank the Honourable Member for Dalrymple for his question.

The Queensland Reconstruction Authority (QRA) is managing the \$14 billion disaster reconstruction program, and works very closely with local governments to ensure Natural Disaster Relief and Recovery Arrangements funding is allocated to projects that will be eligible for reimbursement from the Australian Government and achieve value for money.

Although QRA works with councils to identify priority projects and assists with their applications for funding, ultimately, each council is responsible for managing its own reconstruction program. QRA does not appoint individual contractors and does not deal directly with individual contractors. The details of individual contractors would need to be sourced directly from the respective councils.