

Question on Notice

No. 191

Asked on 27 February 2019

MR A HARPER ASKED THE MINISTER FOR FIRE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES (HON C CRAWFORD)—

QUESTION:

With reference to Queensland Fire and Emergency Service's involvement in the response and recovery efforts in relation to the Townsville flood disaster—

Will the Minister advise the number of (a) people assisted from homes to safety, (b) homes and infrastructure assessed for damage and (c) homes/properties cleaned as part of the Rural Fire Service response (Strike Teams)?

ANSWER:

I thank the Member for the question.

I am advised by Queensland Fire and Emergency Services (QFES) that in relation to the Townsville Flood Disaster, as at 19 February 2019:

- (a) 69 people had been rescued from imminent danger and 810 people had been assisted to a safe place;
- (b) 8,074 damage assessments had been completed on buildings and infrastructure in the area. 135 buildings had been assessed as having severe damage, 1,101 moderate damage, 2,063 minor damage and 4,699 with no damage. 76 of the assessments completed were on damaged infrastructure in the area; and
- (c) QFES response teams had completed wash outs to 301 properties since the start of the Townsville flood disaster.

QFES personnel and volunteers will continue to assist in the clean-up and recovery efforts in the weeks and months to come.