

Question on Notice
No. 877
Asked on 27 June 2025

MR N DAMETTO ASKED TREASURER, MINISTER FOR ENERGY AND MINISTER FOR HOME OWNERSHIP (HON D JANETZKI)—

QUESTION:

With reference to the devastating flooding event in Hinchinbrook earlier this year, which resulted in widespread damage and left some residents without power for over two weeks—

Will the Treasurer advise (a) what resilience funding has been allocated, (b) what planning has commenced and (c) what the expected timeline is for delivering critical flood resilience infrastructure in Hinchinbrook, specifically for the construction of a protective bund wall around the Ingham substation, to prevent a repeat of the 2025 disaster?

ANSWER:

Ergon Energy Corporation Limited (Ergon) has submitted a funding application to the Australian Government's Disaster Ready Fund for flood mitigation works for the Ingham Substation which services the Hinchinbrook area.

In accordance with conditions relating to the funding application submitted for consideration, details of the project may not be released at this time.

However, Energy Queensland advises provisions has been made in the 2025-26 Budget for Ergon's expected share of the works, with Ergon expressing confidence that critical works will be completed before the 2025-26 summer period.

The Government is committed to working with Ergon to deliver a flood resilience solution that is efficient and ensures the long-term security of electricity supply for the Hinchinbrook community.