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BANANA SHIRE FLOOD STUDY FLOODPLAIN MANAGEMENT PLAN

Banana Shire Council (BSC) commissioned Kellogg Brown & Root (KBR) to undertake a series of flood studies, develop coherent flood mitigation strategies and develop a Floodplain Management Plan (FPMP).

The FPMP is an indirect response to 'Recommendation 2', found in the Inspector-General Emergency Management Review of Cyclone and Storm Tide Sheltering Arrangements Report 3: 2014-15, following Cyclone Marcia in 2015, as well as previous flood events dating back to 2010.

The FPMP recommends and prioritises a series of actions to reduce the adverse impacts of flooding and to extend flood warning and evacuation time.

For the purposes of floodplain management in the BSC area the FPMP recommends a range of land use planning, development control, community awareness, community consultation, disaster planning and preparation activities, liaison with other levels and agencies of government, and a series of structural measures intended to change the way flood water behaves.

Arriving at a final accepted plan is an iterative process and will require input from BSC at a technical and operational works level, from councillors and political advisors, from key stakeholders, and importantly from the communities within the Banana Shire.

The Banana Shire Floodplain Management Plan, Structural Measures Report, Flood Mitigation Impact Maps, and Town Flood Study Animations can be accessed at <http://www.banana.qld.gov.au/flood-study> and are open for public comment prior to final Council approval.

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